November 26, 2017 ORDER OF WORSHIP

Announcements Tommy Wade Song Leader Johnny Cissom Scripture Reading **Chase Chapman Opening Prayer** Jarvene Shackelford (A.M.) Larry Wood (P.M.) **Closing Prayer** Chris Moore (A.M.) Mason McAlister (P.M.) Lord's Table Joel Moore (Presiding), Brock Lindley, Keith Newby, Danny Shackelford Count and Usher Michiel Criswell & Rickey Loveless **Prepare Communion** Connie & Bryana Davis Wednesday Night Song Leader John Hopper (11/29/17)

OUR RECORD

November 19, 2017 Sunday Bible Study: 112 Sunday Morning Worship:135 Sunday Evening Worship: 117 Wednesday Night Bible Study: 117 Budget: \$3,500 Contribution this week: \$4.180

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What Must I Do To Be Saved?
1. Hear the Gospel (Romans 10:13-17).
2. Believe the Gospel (Acts 15:7;Mark 16:15, 16).

- 3. Repent of Sins (Acts 3:19).
- 4. **Confess** Faith in Christ (Acts 8:37).
- 5. **Be Baptized** for Remission of Sins(Acts 2:38).
- 6. Be Faithful (Revelation 2:10).



THE CHAPMAN CHALLENGER

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ELDERS: Barrett Chapman, Terry Chapman, Joel Moore, Jarvene Shackelford, Tommy Wade DEACONS: Bryan Davis, Rickey Loveless, Brad McAlister, Wayne Vandygriff, Larry Wood PREACHER: Mark Lindley

DON'T FORGET GOD Mark Lindley

"Beware that thou forget not the LORD thy God, in not keeping his commandments, and his judgments, and his statutes, which I command thee this day" (Deuteronomy 8:11). These are the words Moses spoke to the children of Israel just before they entered into the land of Canaan.

God knew that when the people entered the land and enjoyed the abundant blessings of Canaan they would be tempted to forget Him and His laws. God knew that the people would begin to believe that the blessings they enjoyed in Canaan were blessings they had obtained by their own power and might. Therefore, it was an appropriate time to issue the warning: "Don't forget God." This passage teaches us that in times of prosperity and wealth, there is the danger of forgetting God. This is certainly a potential problem for us today. We live in the most affluent country in the history of the world. We have so many material blessings we have difficulty finding room to store all the "stuff" we have accumulated. Yet, we always seem to want more.

I think we would be deceiving ourselves if we were to deny that, as a nation, we have forgotten the source of our blessings. We all need to be reminded that "every good and perfect gift is from above," and comes down to us from the heavenly Father (James 1:17). He is the one who gives us "power to get wealth" (Deuteronomy 8:17-18). He gives "life, breath, and all things" (Acts 17:25). Rather than forgetting Him, we should put Him first in all we do and serve Him all the days of our lives.

In view of these thoughts, each one should ask: Do I allow worldly distractions to cause me to forget God? Do I put Him first in all that I do? Do I thank God daily for the blessings He provides?

Just as God had anticipated, the Israelites often forgot Him. Let us all determine that we will never forget God. "O give thanks unto the LORD, for he is good: for his mercy endureth for ever" (Psalms 107:1).

"A HARD THING TO GIVE AWAY!" by Dalton Key

I've heard that kindness is a hard thing to give away – it just keeps coming back! Yet this truth notwithstanding, common courtesy, like common sense, is not all that common. Most of us are much more enthusiastic with receiving kindness than with extending it – especially toward those who disagree with us.

I don't have to agree with you. I don't have to approve of the things you do, the positions you hold, or the associations you choose to pursue. But I do have a divine obligation to be kind.

Where have we gotten the warped idea that difference in thinking permits discourtesy in speech and conduct? Such reasoning was certainly not learned from our Lord.

Christ was the walking epitome of "truth spoken in love." Though he never compromised His convictions, though He often found Himself philosophically and doctrinally at odds with His critics, He was kind.

Christ never refused to speak to someone He disagreed with. Christ listened. He always waited to hear the question before giving His answer. He didn't get into shouting matches with His enemies. He never started or spread ugly rumors about others, even those who were actively working Him harm. He never attempted to silence His critics by means of mean-spirited remarks, unfounded accusations or demeaning fits of sarcasm. We would all do well to follow His example. To be right, doctrinally, is imperative; to be right in our dealings with others is of equal importance. Being long on scriptural argument gives no license for being short on scriptural attitude.

"When someone wrongs you, do not repay with another wrong. Plan honorable things among all people. lf possible, as far as you are able, live in peace with all people. Beloved do not take revenge, but give way to wrath, for it is written, 'Justice is mine, I will repay' says the Lord. If your enemy is hungry, feed him; if he is thirsty, give him a drink, because you will heap burning coals upon his head when you do this. Be not overcome with evil, but overcome evil with goodness." (Romans 12:17-21, McCord.)

May we determine to become more like Christ, "speaking the truth in love." (Ephesians 4:14.) Let's be kind.

PSALM 100 A psalm of thanksgiving and praise

 (A Psalm of praise.) Make a joyful noise unto the LORD, all ye lands.
 Serve the LORD with gladness: come before his presence with singing.
 Know ye that the LORD he is God: it is he that hath made us, and not we ourselves; we are his people, and the sheep of his pasture.
 Enter into his gates with thanksgiving, and into his courts with praise: be thankful unto him, and bless

his name. 5 For the LORD is good; his mercy is everlasting; and his truth endureth to all generations.

UPCOMING EVENTS

REMINDER: SUNDAY EVENING TIME – 2:00 PM

> LADS TO LEADERS 2018 Don't forget to turn in your registration & hotel forms.

Pine Vale Christmas Child Girl - 14 years old December 9th - Pine Vale Holiday Party Foote Street Church of Christ at 11 AM Bring a dish.(Potluck Luncheon) If you would like to help on her wish list, please see Karen Yancey. Please make plans to attend this special event for Pine Vale.

PROGRAMS OF WORK Website: chapmanchurch.com Articles • Sermons (Audio) • Chapman Challengers The Bible Broadcast Sunday Mornings at 8 AM • WKZU radio 104.9 FM **Southern Sentinel Article** Every other Wednesday **Correspondence Course** Study the Bible in your home, at your convenience, by enrolling in a free Bible correspondence course. To enroll: call (837-7012), write (250 CR 550, Ripley, MS 38663) or e-mail (chapmansecretary@ripleycable.net

REMEMBER IN PRAYER

•SICK SUNDAY: Mary Brady, Jeff & Jamison Stagg, Patti Hall, Brandi Reese

•HOME FROM HOSPITAL: Joanie Kate Reese

•SURGERY RECOVERY: Ray Henderson

•**TEST**: Sadie Fitzgerald

•EXTENDED ILLNESS: Cortney Cissom, Tony & Jane Morrison, Juanita Mauney, David Young, Bobbie Prather, Sandra Hopper, George Doss (Kelly Brewer's Father), Connie Mauney, Brandon King, Jane Bates, Lylah McGauhy, Niles Jones, Thad Berryman.

•CANCER: Ray Henderson, Bobby White, David Moffitt, Sandra Jones, Dianne Graves, Johnny Johnson, Betty Faye Ledbury, Chester Smith, Lana Waldon, Cutah Newby, Peggy Boggs, Marsha Jones, Nita Trotter, Carolyn Medlin, Lanny Yancey, Niani Colom-Omotesa, Kenneth Rainey, Marilyn Harrell, Janice Willingham, Lester Wommack, Doug Pannell, Sam Camp, Sam Warrington (cystic fibrosis & leukemia), Sue Mauney, Wade Hodges, Katherine Finley, Kane Pannell, Danny Edmonds, Dean McNutt, John Reno.

•SHUT-INS: <u>Resthaven</u>: Oleta Phillips, Johnnie Carpenter (Mailing: Resthaven Care Center, 103 Cunningham Drive, Ripley, MS 38663), Tippah County Hospital Nursing Home: Bonnie Chapman, Lorene Daily, Christine Chapman (Mailing: Tippah County Nursing Home, 1005 City Avenue North, Ripley, MS 38663).

HAPPY THANKSGIVING!