

December 9, 2018
ORDER OF WORSHIP

Announcements

Randell Koon

Song Leader

Keith Newby

Scripture Reading

Danny Shackelford

Opening Prayer

James Pilgrim (A.M.) Wayne Vandygriff (P.M.)

Closing Prayer

Britt Lindley (A.M.) Brock Lindley (P.M.)

Lord's Table

Bryan Davis (Presiding),

Mason McAlister, Tripp Yancey, Rickey Loveless

Count and Usher

Terry Chapman & Joel Moore

Prepare Communion

Myra Palmer and Romia Palmer

Wednesday Night Song Leader

Brock Lindley (12/12/18)

OUR RECORD

December 2, 2018

Sunday Bible Study: 128

Sunday Morning Worship: 140

Sunday Evening Worship: 109

Wednesday Night Bible Study: 106

Budget: \$3,500

Contribution this week: \$4,403

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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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PREACHER: Mark Lindley

Asleep in Gethsemane
Dan Jenkins

“And when they had sung a hymn, they went out to the Mount of Olives” (Matt. 26:30). It is impossible to precisely know what was in the hearts of those apostles as they followed Him. After He had washed their feet in the upper room, He was troubled in spirit when He said, “One of you will betray Me” (John 13:21). Their first response was they were exceedingly sorrowful (Matt. 26:21). Emotions had to be so heavy as He led them to Gethsemane.

They may not have known where He was going, but Judas did. Jesus often went to this garden with them (John 18:2). He stopped and left eight of the apostles at one place, and then took Peter, James and John deeper into the garden. His words were, “Pray that you enter not into temptation” (Luke 22:40).

Matthew described this moment in this way: “He began to be sorrowful and deeply distressed...Stay here and watch with Me” (Matt. 26:38). How could their emotions not have been stirred by all that had happened!

“Watch.” Watch for what? Watch for the coming of the mob? Such could not be the case for the betrayal by Judas had to happen. It was His solemn plea with them to recognize the dangerous situation which faced them. Not a physical danger from the mob but watch lest they succumb to the temptations which lay before them. He then went a distance from them and prayed fervently to the Father.

What did they do? They went to sleep. It was not that they did not care, for Jesus said of them, “The spirit is willing but the flesh is weak” (Matt. 26:40). Yet, we stand amazed at how all of this could happen. Satan was seeking to destroy them and their place in the coming kingdom, and they were asleep. They could not watch with Him even for one hour (Matt. 26:39). There was danger all around them. Temptation abounded, and they were asleep. Jesus needed them, and they were asleep in Gethsemane.

It is possible that we are doing the same in our lives. Think of our children. How much time do we actually watch and pray for them in the world in which they live? As the years come, we will grieve for failing to equip them, but then it is too late. Parents, you are in your “Gethsemane.” Watch and pray!

Is it possible that we are asleep in our personal “Gethsemane”? Are you watching and soberly considering how the temptations around you pose such a danger? Where are your weaknesses, and what are you doing to become stronger? If you cannot see them, remember Paul’s words that those who think they will stand should take heed (1 Cor. 10:12). God help us to all watch for our souls and for the souls of those around us. God help us to never sleep in Gethsemane.

No Other Gods Before Me

Jon Mitchell

“You shall have no other gods before me”
Exodus 20:3.

But do we anyway? Do we have other gods before Yahweh?

“No, of course not!” says the church-goer.
“I am a Christian, aren’t I? I go to church!
I pray to God, not Buddha! I have a Bible,
not a Koran!”

Yes, you do. And all of that is important
and not to be overlooked.

And yet...

Did you know that the Bible calls coveting
idolatry? (Col. 3:5) What do you covet?
Probably not Buddha, right? Probably
something materialistic, like money or
possessions. Perhaps power. Perhaps
someone, like a good-looking woman or
man. Perhaps something recreational,
like golf time or TV time. Perhaps work.
Perhaps a hobby, like cooking, fishing, or
gardening. Perhaps reading for pleasure.
Perhaps good grades.

When the saints assembly, who is your
god? Jehovah?

Most if not all of the above are not sinful,
in and of themselves. We all need down
time, fun time, hobbies. It’s not sinful to
spend a few hundred bucks on a large TV,
in and of itself. Don’t get me wrong.

But here’s the thing. Whatever it is that
you like, do you put it before God? Now,
before you are so quick to deny, consider
this:

After paying the bills for NECESSITIES
(food, mortgage, clothes, electricity,
taxes, etc.), into what do you put more
money? The church’s collection plate on
Sundays? The mission work overseas?
The charity that feeds and clothes the
homeless? Or a new set of golf clubs?
A luxury car? More and more toys for
the kiddos?

Into which do you put more of your time?
Prayer? Reading God’s Word? Sharing
the gospel with the lost? Helping the
needy? Church work? Or TV? The
latest John Grisham novel? Overtime at
work so you can afford more goodies?
Your golf swing? Cooking?

Know that I’m preaching to myself as
well as to you. I think we all, when we
honestly examine ourselves (2 Cor.
13:5), could say that we, at times, put
others gods before Jehovah God. Let’s
try to do better, with his help and grace.

Examine yourselves, whether ye be in the
faith; prove your own selves. Know ye not
your own selves, how that Jesus Christ is
in you, except ye be reprobates?

2 Corinthians 13:5

UPCOMING EVENTS

LADS TO LEADERS PHOTOS NEEDED

If you have any photos from any Chapman
Events – please get to Karen Yancey.
Need for Lads To Leaders Scrapbook.

CHAPMAN 5TH SUNDAY

December 30, 2018

Fellowship meal (potluck) after morning
service. Evening service at 1:30 PM
conducted by Chapman young men.

BIRTH ANNOUCEMENT

CONGRATULATIONS!

Genevieve Claire Chapman

December 1, 2018

7 pounds, 3 ounces & 18 inches long

Proud Parents: Chase & Olivia

PROGRAMS OF WORK

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REMEMBER IN PRAYER

IN LOVE AND SYMPATHY: Our hearts go out
in deepest sympathy to the family and friends
of Phil Morton.

•**RECOVERY:** Doris Williford (Hip), Amber Harrell

•**HOSPITAL:** Sadie Fitzgerald (Le Bonheur), Mike
Mauney

•**EXTENDED ILLNESS:** Joanie Kate Reese, Carlin
Johnson, Mitch Wellen, Faye Jenkins, Linda
Chapman, Nina Morrison, Jo Chapman, Louise
Pannell, Roger Bryant (ALS), Venie Holbrook, Tony
Morrison, Bobbie Prather, Sandra Hopper, Connie
Mauney, Brandon King, Jane Bates, Lylah
McGaughy, Niles Jones, Thad Berryman

•**CANCER:** Cohen Hurt, Frank Elliott, Jimmy Smith,
Roxieann Foster, Rhonda Horton, Lanny Yancey
(Treatments), Danny Yancey, Diane Hodges,
Sandra Jones, Dianne Graves, Betty Faye Ledbury,
Cutah Newby, Peggy Boggs, Marsha Jones, Nita
Trotter, Carolyn Medlin, Niani Colom-Omotesa,
Kenneth Rainey, Janice Willingham, Lester
Wommack, Doug Pannell, Sam Camp, Sam
Warrington (cystic fibrosis & leukemia), Katherine
Finley, Kane Pannell, Danny Edmonds, Dean
McNutt, John Reno.

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