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Rickey Cissom & Dale Vandygriff

Wednesday Night Song Leader
Brice Lindley (02/15/25)

OUR RECORD

February 2, 2025

Sunday Bible Study: 73
Sunday Morning Worship: 90
Sunday Evening Worship: 68
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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).



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WHY ATTEND SERVICES OF THE LORD'S CHURCH?

Mark Lindley

We have all heard excuses offered for not attending worship: "I'm too busy"; "I'm too tired"; "we had company"; "someone hurt my feelings"; "we didn't want to get out in the rain." The list is endless. Maybe if we stopped to think about why we should attend worship the excuse-making would stop. Here are some reasons to attend:

1. You are going to die (Hebrews 9:27). Though one may never find time to attend worship, he will certainly find time to die; and, one will surely be in no condition to die if his attendance record indicates chronic absence.

2. Your family needs to be in worship. Parents have the responsibility to bring their children up "in the nurture and admonition of the Lord" (Ephesians 6:4; Deuteronomy 6:4-9). Part of this responsibility is met by bringing families to worship. Parents who fail to do so are robbing their families of an opportunity to grow spiritually.

3. You will encourage others. Christians are to "consider one another to provoke unto love and to good works" (Hebrews 10:24). Your presence at worship says, "I care about God, His church, and His people." On the other hand, an empty pew says, "The ones who should be sitting here found something to do that was more important than worshipping the Creator of the universe. God, His church, and His people do not really matter." This is discouraging.

4. Faithfulness is required. Jesus said, "...be thou faithful unto death, and I will give thee a crown of life" (Revelation 2:10). The Scriptures do not teach that the crown will be given to the unfaithful. Question: Is a gun faithful if it fires one out of three times? Is a car faithful if it cranks one day per week but fails to crank all other days of the week? Is a child of God faithful who attends one out of three services? "Not forsaking the assembling of ourselves together, as the manner of some is; but exhorting one another: and so much the more, as ye see the day approaching" (Hebrews 10:25).

RUN AND BOW TO JESUS

James Pilgrim

Mark 10:21 says, “And when he was gone forth into the way, there came one running, and kneeled to him,....” He was a very rich ruler. (Luke 18:18, 23). He called Jesus Good Master,” showing that he recognized Jesus as God, Deity. (Mark 10:18). He asked Jesus, “What shall I do to inherit eternal life?” (Luke 18:18). He came to the right One, and asked the right question.

Jesus told the rich young ruler that he had come to the right One. (Luke 18:19). Rather than telling the rich young ruler that he did not have to do anything to be saved, that such would be earning salvation, which one cannot do, and that salvation is by grace and faith only, Jesus told him that he knew and was to keep the commandments, and named some of them (Matthew 19:17, 18), saying, “Thou knowest the commandments, Do not commit adultery, Do not kill, Do not steal, Do not bear false witness, Honour thy father and thy mother.” (Matthew 19:17, 18).

This was under the law of Moses. (Colossians 2:14-16). Under the New Testament (Hebrews 8:6-13), those who asked what to be forgiven of sins (Acts 2:37; 16:30) were told to hear the word of God (Romans 10:17), believe that Jesus Christ is the Son of God (Acts 8:37), repent of sins (Acts 17:30, 31), confess the Deity of Jesus (Acts 8:37), and be buried in water baptism (Romans 6:1-7; Acts 8:38, 39) to be saved (1 Peter 3:20, 21; Mark 16:16) and added to the church. (Acts 2:47; 1 Corinthians 12:13).

The young ruler who ran to Jesus, kneeled before Him, called Him Good Master, asked Him what to do to be saved, and said he had done what the commandments taught (Mark 10:17-20), refused to do the “one thing” more for which Jesus called. He “went away grieved, for he had great possessions.” (Mark 10:22). HOW SAD!

WHAT ABOUT YOU????? Be like the rich young ruler in coming to Jesus, who is calling you. He stands at the door of your heart knocking, pleading for you to let Him in. As the song says, He knocks often and softly. (Matthew 11:28-30; Revelation 3:20). Neither God nor Jesus will force their way into our lives, but they desire each of us to open the door, and let them in “Today” (Hebrews 3:7, 13, 15; 4:7), or “now” (2 Corinthians 6:2).

Come running to Jesus. Each of those in the book of Acts came to Jesus “the same hour of the night” (Acts 16:33), or “immediately.” (Acts 9:18; Galatians 1:16). Cf. Acts 2 (those on the day of Pentecost); 8 (Samaritans, Simon, the Eunuch); 9, 22, 26 (Saul of Tarsus); 10 (Cornelius); 18 (Corinthians); 19 (12 Jewish men).

Come humbly (bowing) before Jesus. (James 4:6, “God...giveth grace to the humble;” “Humble yourselves in the sight of the Lord, and he shall lift you up.”

Do not, as did the rich young ruler, turn aside from Jesus, either now or later. Hear Him! Obey Him! (Hebrews 5:8, 9). Follow Him faithfully! (Revelation 2:10). Live with Him eternally! (1 Peter 1:11). Do not let another minute go by without Jesus as the Lord and Master of your life. Call Mark, and let Him baptize you into Christ right now. (Galatians 3:26, 27). (662) 587-0945.

By Glen Elliott

The church is not so much an institution as it is a living organism. It is referred to in Scripture as “the body of Christ” (Eph. 4:12). This analogy teaches us several very important truths about the unity of the body.

First, because the church is the body of Christ, it must have a head to direct, guide and control its various functions. The Bible teaches us that “Christ is the head over all things to the church, which is His body...” (Eph. 1:22-23). Just as the physical body operates in obedience to the directive impulses of the brain, so also Christ’s spiritual body, the church, operates in harmony with Christ’s directives expressed through His written revelation. Whether physical or spiritual, when the body fails to obey its head, the result is chaos and confusion. It is not God’s fault when Christ’s body becomes divided; it is simply man’s failure to live under the headship of Jesus Christ. After all, “God is not a God of confusion, but a God of peace” (1 Cor. 14:33).

In addition to a head, a body must also have a harmonious membership. Each member of the body has an important function (1 Cor. 12:14-27). When the smallest member fails in his or her assigned duty, the whole body suffers. The body is a finely tuned organism and its members must cooperate with one another, working together toward a common goal. Functional unity in the church is not just a nice thing when it happens, it is an essential ingredient to be sought after with great fervor and intensity (Rm. 14:19; Heb. 12:14).

Let us emphasize again that a body must be unified. Disunity among members frustrates the purpose and intention of the body. Christ’s fervent prayer was for His followers to be one (Jn. 17:20-21). But upon what basis shall believers unite? Only on the basis of Christ’s headship and our willingness to place our lives in submission to His will. Only on such a foundation can we be united as members of Christ’s spiritual body, the church.

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