Whispering Hills

Church of Christ



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Gathering Times

Sunday Worship

10:30 AM

Updates will be forthcoming as to the continual changes with COVID-19.

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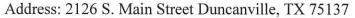
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HOW TO BE SAVED

- 1. Hear (Rom 10:17; Jn 6:45)
- 2. Believe (Jn 8:24; Heb 11:6)
- 3. Repent (Lk 13:3,5; Ac 2:38)
- 4. Confess (Mt 10:32; Rom 10:9, 10)
- 5. Baptized (Mk 16:16; 1 Pet 3:21)





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Ophesians 4:29



Weekly Bible Reading

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| September 13, 2020 | Psaims | 121 - 130 |
| September 14, 2020 | Psalms | 131 - 140 |
| September 15, 2020 | Psalms | 141 - 150 |
| September 16, 2020 | Proverbs | 1 - 8 |
| September 17, 2020 | Proverbs | 9 - 16 |
| September 18, 2020 | Proverbs | 17 - 24 |
| September 19, 2020 | Proverbs | 25 - 31 |
| September 20, 2020 | Ecclesiastes | 1 - 6 |
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Our religious conviction:

God chose to save the world by sending His Son, Jesus to die on the cross for our sins (Rom 10:17).

Those who choose to listen and obey the Gospel message SHALL be saved (Ac 2:38).

God adds them to the Church of the Bible which His Son is coming for one day (2 The 1:7 - 10).



GOD HAS A PATTERN FOR BUILDING A MAN

INTRODUCTION:

- 1. God depends on the presence of committed/responsible men maintaining a righteous society on earth.
- 2. One of the most pressing needs of our day or any generation is for men real men.
 - A. God, since from creation "put man in charge," bearing the primary responsibility and blame of existing conditions.
- 3. For the church to survive and accomplish its mission, she must have men of faith and zeal to serve as elders, deacons and preachers.
 - A. Who have put away childish things and who "quit themselves like men" (1 Cor 13:11; 16:13).
- 4. Our concern is not for men according to physical and worldly standards, but to God's standards a man of God.
 - A. Let's take a look at God's pattern (e.g., "a model or guide for something to be made; a fine example, model to be followed" World Book Dictionary) for building (e.g., "to make by putting materials together, construct; figurative, to produce gradually; develop") a man.

BODY:

I. First: Let's Build A Foundation - Man Was Given Responsibility

- A. At creation, man was given a threefold responsibility to God, others and himself (Mt 22:37).
 - 1. He was responsible and answerable to His Creator, God (Gen 1:26; 2:16; 3:1).
 - A. Shows man was expected from the beginning to obey God to be subject to God.
 - 2. He was given dominion over other creations (Gen 1:26).
 - A. He was to "dress and keep" the garden (Gen 2:15).
 - B. He was to have other created things for his survival (Gen 1:29; 2:16; 3:1).
 - 3. He was given dominion over his wife (Gen 3:16) making him officially "head of the house".
 - A. This responsibility would embrace the children coming to be a part of his house.
 - B. Involves other designated duties [e.g., working to provide "by the sweat of thy face"] (Gen 2:15; 3:17-19).

II. What Is God's Pattern For The Man?

- A. Not everyone "Who is A Male" is a Godly Man.
 - 1. It takes maturity to be a real man by following God's Plan (Psa 128).
 - 2. If you fail to follow God's Plan, you will be counted among the wicked (Isa 57:20, 21).
- B. Men and women are fundamentally different (Gloria Steinen and other feminists do not agree).
 - 1. Feminist literature states: The goal of the women's liberation movement is nothing less than to eliminate sex-role stereotypes so thoroughly one cannot tell them a factual description of a person's behavior whether the person is a female or male (Jo-Ann Gardner "Sexist Counseling Must Stop" quoting Personnel and Guidance Journal, Vol. 49, No. 9 (5/71), p. 706.
 - 2. Feminist flocked to the laboratories trying to prove no physical/mental differences existed.
 - A. Failing to find the evidence they desperately wanted, David Gelman reveals the feminists resorted to suppressing scientific reports disagreeing with their opinions.
 - B. They were afraid of what the general public would do with the new information (David Gelman, "Just How The Sexes Differ" Newsweek (5/18/81, p. 72).
- C. There was a time in Israel's history, when one true "Ish" would have saved the nation.
 - 1. God looked for an "Ish" and found none, so He let the Heathen takeover (Jer 5:1; Eze 27:30).
 - A. What is an "Ish"?
 - 1. It is one of five Hebrew words used in the Old Testament apparently describing man.
 - 2. It is the most significant of the five words used in describing man.
 - 3. This word is used often to depict strong intellect and eminence of character.
 - 4. The title of Psalms 90 pictures Moses as the "Ish" of God.
 - B. God, today cries out to all Christian men: "make men of yourselves" (1 Cor 16:13).
 - C. The political arena is permeated with immorality, crimes and dishonesty.
 - 1. Men must represent decency, sobriety, truthfulness, honesty and honorableness.
 - 2. These admirable qualities are for the church to survive, to be leavening and a light.

~ Humbly submitted by Bro Arthur Anderson



Continuous Prayers: Walter Simon, Mack & Carolyn Clouds, Ron Forge, Christina Jones, Miguel Graves, Joyce Fair Patricia Hurd, Ray & Ruby Busby (Bro/Sis Busby's FAMILY), Sheila Harris, Sam Lily, Curtis Ward Vernon Skinner (Sis Skinner's son), Joyce Gutierrez, Mattie Stafford, Annette Rolette Adam McCants (Bro Ramsey's daughter father-in-law)

Joel Sotelo Vazquez / Bertha Tapia [Mexico City, Mexico]

Willie Gray (Sis Gray's brother-in-law)

Sick: Arthur Henry, Dan Allen, Jerry Birdow, Jose (Bro Spataro's friend), Spataro's FAMILY, Ms Teresa [visitor]

General: Demetria Washington, Greg Owens (Bro Owens' brother), Kelvin & Michael Porter (Sis Owens' brothers), Simon Young, Sam Lily (Sis Guthrie's stepson), James Hunter, Jr, Michael Neazer, M. Staton, Chris White, Brenda Moore, Yvette Thornhill, Angel & Alesia Adams, Edwards' FAMILY, Bro Runnel's FAMILY [visitor] Pat Harper, A. Anderson's FAMILY

UPDATES:

1. Maria Diaz [neighbor of Sis Skinner] request PRAYERS concerning cancer [06 Sep 20].

Upcoming Activities/Announcements

1. **Door Knocking Campaign** Postponed until further notice.





1 Cor 9:16 - 18 "For though I preach the gospel, I have nothing to glory of: for necessity is laid upon me; yea, woe is unto me, if I preach not the gospel! What is my reward then? Verily that, when I preach the gospel, I may make the gospel of Christ without charge, that I abuse not my power in the gospel."

| Subject: | PATTERN OF HOW TO WORSHIP | |
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| Scripture Reference: | Psalms 95:6, 7 | |
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PATTERN OF HOW TO WORSHIP Psalms 95:6, 7

INTRODUCTION:

- 1. Let's study the "Pattern Of How To Worship" as outlined in the New Testament.
 - A. Our worship must have the correct *object*, *attitudes* and *actions*.
- 2. Christians must be able to explain the why and how of Worship today in the church.

BODY:

I. WHAT IS THE DEFINITION OF WORSHIP?

- A. "The reverent love and allegiance accorded a deity" American Heritage Dictionary.
- B. "To honor or reverence a divine being" Webster's.
- C. *The New Testament* reveals those sole actions which the Christian engages specifically showing reverence, obeisance and honor unto God and His Son, Jesus the Christ.

1I. IS IT NECESSARY TO STAY WITH THE BIBLE PATTERN?

- A. Psa 95:6, 7
 - 1. Things to notice about the text:
 - A. The correct *object* of our worship [Jehovah].
 - B. The correct <u>attitude</u> of worship [prostrating ourselves before God].
 - 1. This would suggest humility **NOT** necessarily the position.
 - C. The foundation for the correct *action* in worship [hearing His voice]!
- B. Jn 4:23, 24
 - 1. Things to notice about the text:
 - A. The correct *object* of Worship [God, who is a Spirit].
 - B. The correct <u>attitude</u> of Worship [Worship in Spirit].
 - C. The foundation for correct *action* in Worship [Truth].

II1. WHAT IS THE OBJECT OF WORSHIP?

- A. The object of worship is **NOT** us.
 - 1. Some view worship as Pop Psychology.
 - A. Many comfort themselves with thoughts of guardian angels and similar images believing God takes care of them in this fashion (Col 2:18).
 - B. Some view worship as a form of personal entertainment.
 - 1. Proper worship is sanctified/set apart for the express object of God (Psa 96:9).
 - C. Some view worship as a form of self-expression.
 - 1. God does **NOT** need us to express ourselves in worship (Ac 17:23-25).
- B. The object of worship is **NOT** our fellow man.
 - 1. Some actually exalt and worship men falsely (2 The 2:4).
 - 2. Some view worship as a way to keep peace in the family or a big social club falsely believing they make the rules, regulations, procedures, etc... (Mt 15:9).
 - 3. Some view worship as merely a way to help others with earthly problems.
- C. The object of Worship is God.
 - 1. He is deserving of worship because He is Holy (Psa 99:5).
 - A. Hear the words of King Nebuchadnezzar (Dan 3:28).
 - 2. Nothing, nor anyone else, is deserving of worship (Mt 4:10).
 - A. **NOT** even angels are worthy of worship (Rev 22:8, 9).

IV. WHAT IS THE ATTITUDE OF WORSHIP?

- A. Do **NOT** entertain "getting your ticket punched" (Mic 6:6-8; Col 2:20-23).
- B. Let's put aside all worldly concerns and concentrate Spiritually.
 - 1. Focus (Col 3:1-4)/Draw near in full assurance of faith (Heb 10:19-25).
 - 2. Hold the attitude of the broken/contrite heart (Psa 51:17; Isa 57:15; 66:2; Rom 2:29).