

# WHISPERING HILLS

## Church of Christ

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### Worship Times

Sunday Worship 10:30 AM

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

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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 because it is purchased with His Blood (Ac 20:28; 2 The 1:7-10).

### 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)

**A** As for God, His way is perfect.  
**B** Believe in the Lord Jesus and you will be saved.  
**C** Children, obey your parents in the Lord, for this is right.  
**D** Depart from evil and do good.  
**E** Even a child is known by his actions.  
**F** Forgive as the Lord forgave you.  
**G** Give thanks to the Lord for He is good.  
**H** Happy hearts make cheerful faces.  
**I** I can do all things through Christ who strengthens me.  
**J** Jesus said, "Let the little children come to Me."  
**K** Keep me safe, O God, for in You I take refuge.  
**L** Let us love one another, for love comes from God.  
**M** Morning by morning, O Lord, You hear my voice.  
**N** Never pay back evil for evil to anyone.  
**O** Open my eyes that I may see wonderful things in Your law.  
**P** Praise the Lord, O my soul, and forget not all His benefits.  
**Q** Quench not the Spirit.  
**R** Rejoice in the Lord always.  
**S** Seek first His kingdom.  
**T** Trust in the Lord with all your heart.  
**U** Unless the Lord builds the house, its builders labour in vain.  
**V** Visit the orphans and the widows in their trouble.  
**W** We love because He first loved us.  
**X** Examine my heart and my mind.  
**Y** You are the light of the world.  
**Z** Zacchaeus come down...I must stay at your house today.

### Thank you for visiting with us

Our goal is to worship God according to His Will just as the Christians in the first century did (Ac 2:42).

Please ask us a question about the reason why we worship the way we do (1 Pet 3:15). Also, please take the time to fill out an attendance card today (in the holder facing you) and give it to one of our members acknowledging your presence with us.

You **BELONG** Here!

Acts 2:42-47 and Romans 12:10

# Prayer Request

We are here to Pray for you



### Continued Prayers

Walter Simon, Mack & Carolyn Cloud, Ron Forge,  
Mattie Stafford, Annette Rowlette, Jewel Hunter,  
Joyce Gutierrez, Joyce Fair  
Helena Sotelo & Arthur Antucio (in-laws Bro Ramsey)  
Lovita Irby (Sis Guthrie's sister)

### Grieving

Mark Sikes (loss of mother)  
Bro. Ramsey (loss of daughter's father-in-law)

### General

Demetria Washington, Greg Owens (Bro Owens' brother),  
Eldred Adams (COVID 19 virus), Sheila Harris,  
Curtis Ward, Simon Young, Michael Neazer,  
Kelvin & Michael Porter (Sis Owens' brothers)  
Charles Votaw (Sis Harper's brother)  
Regenia Andrews (Bro Jones' sister)  
Sis White & FAMILY  
Sis Miller & FAMILY

### Updates / Announcements



Likewise, I say unto you, there is joy in the presence of the angels of God over one sinner that repenteth (Lk 15:10).

Donald R. Zeno  
December 20, 2020

**Welcome To The Family Of God**

# Birthdays & Anniversaries

## January '21



- [17] Mark Sikes
- [24] Carolyn Cloud





## THE PARABLE OF THE UNRIGHTEOUS STEWARD

Luke 16:1 - 13

### INTRODUCTION:

1. The Lord gives the key to the parable (v8): *“And the lord commended the unjust steward, because he had done wisely: for the children of this world are in their generation wiser than the children of light.”*

### BODY

#### 1. DEFINITION OF TERMS RELATED TO THE PARABLE.

##### A. STEWARD OR STEWARDSHIP

1. The word “stewardship” is found three (3) times in the King James Version (KJV) and all in the account of the “unrighteous steward” (Lk 16:1-13).
2. Besides this passage, the American Standard Version (ASV) uses the same word (1 Cor 9:17).
3. The word “STEWARD” primarily denoted the manager of a household or estate (Gr *oikos*) which means house/nemo/to arrange (W.E. Vines).
4. Its concept is found in many places in the Bible where the same words in the original languages are translated: “chamberlain/governor/treasurer/official in charge/man in charge of the palace”.

##### B. STEWARD

1. The very definition of the word shows “stewardship” is the managing of something which is not our own [we are not the owners] (Lk 16:1, 2).
2. This was the application Jesus made when finishing the parable of the unrighteous steward (v12).
3. Jesus informs us, we are not the owners of our money.
  - A. It is given to us only to manage.
4. The Pharisees (self-righteous), were lovers of money (covetousness/greed often accompanies these qualities), believed they could do whatever they wanted, mocked at this idea of stewardship (v14).

##### C. MAMMON

1. Is used to mean “what one has saved/wealthy/a deposit”.
2. By its contextual reference (Mt 6:24; Lk 16:9, 11, 13) use the word meaning “material possession/wealth/money”.
3. At these places, it is personified and described as unrighteous because the obtaining it and the use of it are so commonly tainted with unrighteousness.

##### D. “EVERLASTING HABITATIONS”

1. To dwell in a tent or tabernacle is rendered “habitations” (Lk 16:9).
  - A. The American Standard Version (ASV) and Revised Version (RV) shows “tabernacles” being of the dwelling-place of the redeemed.

~ This material was humbly provided by Bro A. Anderson

