

**VOLUME I, ISSUE I** 

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## **SUNDAY Gathering Times**

Bible Class 09:30 AM Morning 10:30 AM

### **Leadership**

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

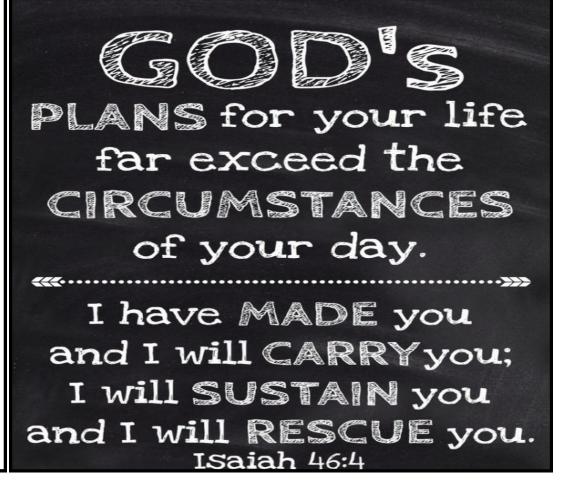
### **HOW TO BE SAVED**

- 1. Hear (Jn 6:45; Rom 10:17)
- 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)



Our goal is to **WORSHIP** God according to His Will just as the Christians in the 1<sup>st</sup> Century (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.





### **Continuous PRAYERS**

Walter Simon, Mack & Carolyn Cloud, Patricia Skinner, Ron Forge, Ann Busby, Curtis Ward



### General

Greg Owens (Bro Owens' brother) is hospitalized Michael Porter (Sis Owens' brother)
Bobby Osbourne (Sis Bell's brother)
Jessica McCants (Bro Ramsay's daughter)
Joel Sotelo [Mexico City] (Bro Ramsay's brother-in-law)
Wesley Pollard (Bro/Sis Simon's brother-in-law)
Lee Carpenter (Sis Simon's brother)
Baltimore Hernandez (Bro Spataro's brother-in-law)



- [1] Our PRAYERS should echo loud and clear on a daily basis for God's GRACE, MERCY and LOVE by taking nothing for granted continuing to live up to His Expectations and Commands through OBEDIENCE (Mt 7:21-23)
- [2] **B**IBLE **S**TUDY (Sunday, 02 Jan 22 @ 09:30 AM): Book of Ephesians 6:1 33
- [3] <u>Ladies Bible Class</u> (Saturday, 08 Jan 22 @ 1:00 PM): <u>Whispering Hills Church of Christ</u> [Duncanville]





James R. Jones [07] Karen Lee [09] Mark Sikes [17]

Carolyn Cloud [24]



# food for thought

### A NEW YEAR, A NEW BEGINNING 1 Corinthians 10:31

### **INTRODUCTION:**

- 1. The Christian's LIFE is to Glorify God (Jn 21:19; Rom 15:6, 9; 1 Cor 6:20; 2 Cor 9:13; 1 Pet 2:12; 4:16).
  - A. The real basis of LIFE does **NOT** involve in how many jobs acquired, how much money saved, how many things possessed or how many promotions are accumulated.
    - 1. What gives LIFE its meaning/purpose is [our] Spiritual Identity in Christ (Eph 1:3; 1 The 4:16).
    - 2. [We] are created in God's Image (Gen 1:26, 27; Col 1:15, 16).
    - 3. There is NO other way to God (Ac 4:12). He has an Eternal Home for [us] prepared (Jn 14:1 6).
- 2. Getting there, and hopefully leading others with [us], is what LIFE is all about (2 Tim 4:7, 8).
  - A. Serving God is directly tied to getting there. Teaching others this TRUTH is part of serving God.
  - B. The devil has been very good at getting people to focus only on this LIFE and away from God.
- 3. The Apostle Paul infers: [we] must allow the PEACE of God to "...rule in your hearts..." (Col 3:12-17).

### **BODY:**

#### 1. DO ALL TO THE GLORY OF GOD

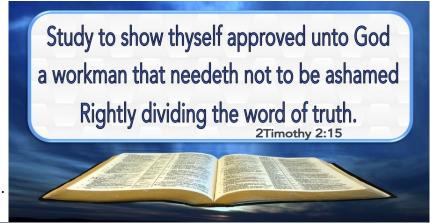
- A. The Christian is summoned to a LIFE of PRAYER.
  - 1. In order to promote this fervency [we] must:
    - A. Be sober-minded and self-controlled (1 Pet 4:7); Loving (1 Pet 4:8)
    - B. Faithful to our stewardship of all God's Entrusted Gifts (1 Pet 4:10).
  - 2. Let's cultivate the invariable habit of looking up from our service, of whatever kind, to claim the ability to do it for the Glory of God (1 Pet 4:11). The aim of everything is for God's Glorification.
- B. The Christian must Glorify God by Sacrificing oneself for the good of others (Eph 5:2).
  - 1. As the Lord's Church, if we're **NOT** careful, [we] can get caught up in the material side of LIFE.
    - A. Our facilities are important, BUT they're only a means to an end, providing a comfortable and convenient setting in which to worship God, Study His Word and teach others the GOSPEL.
      - 1. [We] need to focus on getting souls in the seats, people who need to hear the gospel. A. [We] need to reach out to them in effective, purposeful ways (Rom 8:18, 28, 35).
      - 2. [We] need to focus on our own need to be at ALL the services and on the importance of assisting our children to be active in their Spiritual Growth via Bible Classes (2 Tim 2:15).
    - B. [We] need to PRAY for, and seriously talk to, our brothers and sisters in Christ who either **NO** longer attend or who attend sporadically, BUT it is **NOT** consistently (Eph 4:15; Tit 2:7).
- C. [We] are at the beginning of another new year. Time is passing, getting shorter. We have work to do. Souls are at stake; perhaps, [our] very own souls may be at stake. There is precious little TIME left.
  - 1. Let's use this year wisely, squeeze out of it as much good as feasible for the cause of Christ.
  - 2. Let's use our TIMES in such a way as to be able, when [it] is up, to feel good about the way [it] was utilized for God's Kingdom.
  - 3. Let's use this year and every year, first and foremost, to God's Glory (2 Pet 3:11).
  - 4. The Christian Glorifies God by the same Spirit of LOVE manifested in Christ with the same relation to one another (2 Cor 5:11).
- D. [We] serve Him to Glorify God (1 Cor 4:5).



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"And I say also unto thee, That thou art Peter, and upon this rock I will build my church; and the gates of hell shall not prevail against it" (Mt 16:18).





### Weekly Chronological Bible Reading '22

January	2, 2022	Genesis	04 - 07
January	3, 2022	Genesis	08 - 11
January	4, 2022	Job	01 - 05
January	5, 2022	Job	06 - 09
January	6, 2022	Job	10 - 13
January	7, 2022	Job	14 - 16
January	8, 2022	Job	17 - 20
January	9, 2022	Job	21 - 23

# SERMON NOTES
