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Sunday
Bible Study 9:45 A.M.
Worship 10:30 A.M. & 2:00 P.M.
Wednesday Bible study 7:00 P.M.

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WHAT MUST I DO TO BE SAVED

1. Hear the Gospel (Jn. 20:30-31; Rom. 10:17).
2. Believe (Rom. 1:16; Acts 18:8; Heb. 11:6).
3. Repent (Lk. 13:3; 24:47; Acts 3:19; 17:30).
4. Confess Christ (Matt. 10:32, 33).
5. Be baptized (immersed) (Matt. 28:18-20; Mk. 16:16; Acts 2:38; 22:16).
6. Continue faithful unto death (Rev. 2:10).

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By the Numbers:

Week of 7/8/18


Contribution – \$2438

Attendance:

Sunday School – 30
Sunday Worship* – 56
Wednesday Night –

*Total for the day

Bible Trivia Question



Last Week’s Answer: He promised to spew them out of His mouth (Rev. 3:16).

Q: Under which Israelite king did the kingdom split in two?

Answer to be given next week!

Sermon Spotlight:

AM: Your Most Valuable Possession

1) What does a man profit if he gains the whole world?
2) Is that worth giving up his soul?
3) How many give up their souls for much less?!

PM: Passionate Preaching

1) Describe passionate preaching as illustrated in Jer. 20:9.
2) What is the power of preaching? 1 Cor. Ch. 1

THE BEACON OF TRUTH

July 15, 2018

“Sanctify them through thy truth: thy word is truth.” John 17:17

What Does the Bible Say About Reveling?

Chase Green

Note: This is the tenth and final article in a series of articles regarding moral issues, entitled “What Does the Bible Say About...”

“Now the works of the flesh are manifest, which are these; Adultery, fornication, uncleanness, lasciviousness, Idolatry, witchcraft, hatred, variance, emulations, wrath, strife, seditions, heresies, Envyings, murders, drunkenness, revellings, and such like: of the which I tell you before, as I have also told you in time past, that they which do such things shall not inherit the kingdom of God” (Gal. 5:19-21, emphasis mine). To conclude our series of articles on moral issues, I want to talk about reveling. This is a good concluding topic because many of the sins that we have discussed typically occur in situations of reveling.

What *is* reveling? Oxford dictionary defines reveling as “the action of participating in lively and noisy festivities, especially involving drinking and dancing” (emphasis mine). The Greek word translated as reveling is *komos*, meaning “a carousal (as if a letting loose): - reveling, rioting,” (*Strong’s*). When we put these definitions together, we have the idea of a raucous party, complete with all sorts of drinking, dancing, and carrying on. This is typical behavior found on college campuses and houses full of teenagers, oftentimes with the full consent of the parents! Parents who would have their children sacrifice their purity for popularity often invite their rowdy peers into their houses to indulge in alcohol (and dangerous drinking “games”), lascivious dance, gambling, riotous destruction of property, and even fornication. Anything goes at the “party scene!”

Every fall, unsuspecting parents send their children off to college, only to have them return for the summer having been corrupted by the evils of such debauchery. Sororities and fraternities that *don’t* encourage such behavior are few and far between, *if* there are any at all! And make no mistake about it — one of the very fast activities that students are confronted with when they arrive on campus is Rush, in which the student will be confronted with strong peer pressure to join one of these groups. (If you question whether or not this is a peer pressure situation, research the various “hazing” deaths that have taken place on college campuses recently as the result of fraternal organizations’ recruitment).

The Bible is clear that a Christian must refrain from participating in such (Cntd. on pg. 2)

NEWS AND NOTES

TO OUR GUESTS—A WARM WELCOME

Thank you for coming today and please come back soon and often. If you have questions about the church of Christ, what is taught here, or the way we do anything please feel free to ask. Please fill out the Guest Register on the table in the foyer so we may have a record of your visit.

REMEMBER IN YOUR PRAYERS

Dewey Young — Margie Tippen — Family of Buster Keeton — Ruth Coston — Regina Simmons — Wendy Traweek — Mildred Allhands — Marcia Green — Judy May — John Motherspaugh — Kenneth Hendrix — Andrew Brown (away at an internship in Indiana)

OTHER THINGS & UPCOMING ACTIVITIES

- Monthly Fellowship Meal — This will be moved to the 5th Sunday for this month
- Youth & Young Adults — Be on the lookout for monthly get-togethers! — (If you would like to host or help with an event, please let Chase know)

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Activities. “Forasmuch then as Christ hath suffered for us in the flesh, arm yourselves likewise with the same mind: for he that hath suffered in the flesh hath ceased from sin; That he no longer should live the rest of his time in the flesh to the lusts of men, but to the will of God. For the time past of our life may suffice us to have wrought the will of the Gentiles, when we walked in lasciviousness, lusts, excess of wine, revelings, banquetings, and abominable idolatries: Wherein they think it strange that ye run not with them to the same excess of riot, speaking evil of you: Who shall give account to him that is ready to judge the quick and the dead” (1 Pet. 4:1-5, emphasis mine). Peter says that the Christian must NOT give in to peer pressure to sin!

“Let us walk honestly, as in the day; not in rioting and drunkenness, not in chambering and wantonness (or filthiness, lasciviousness, *Strong’s*), not in strife and envying. But put ye on the Lord Jesus Christ, and make not provision for the flesh, to fulfil the lusts thereof” (Rom. 13:13-14, TCG). One may say, “Well, I’m going to go to the party but I’m not going to get drunk. I’m not going to dance. I’m not going to participate in the sinful activities. I just want to be with my friends.” My question for that person is this: Do you really think you can go to such a place, get that close to the sin, and not be tempted? The Bible teaches that we must remove ourselves FAR from such activities, and that playing with fire leads to getting burnt! Christians must realize that we cannot be pleasing to God and simultaneously involve ourselves in reveling and debauchery.

With love, Chase

Do False Teachers Exist?

Victor M. Eskew

(Continued from last week)

Do false teachers exist? Yes! Both history and the warnings of God’s inspired Word tell us that they do. In fact, in the words of John, “...many false prophets are gone out into the world.” The lies of false teachers are as numerous as the sand of the sea. Here is a brief list of some of the lies we hear today: God does not exist. Man is a product of humanistic evolution. Man is his own god and his own savior. Jesus is not the Son of God. The Bible is not the Word of God. Mankind cannot understand the Bible. Baptism does not save. Man cannot fall from grace. Man can worship God as he pleases. Immorality is acceptable to God (abortion, homosexuality, adultery, etc.) All religions are accepted by God. Jesus will not return. Jesus will return to establish an earthly kingdom. There is no judgment. There is no heaven or hell.

This is just a short list of some of the false doctrines that are proclaimed today. It is impossible to list every false doctrine being taught. It would literally take hundreds of thousands of volumes to list every false doctrine that false teachers have proclaimed.

As we near the end of this article, let’s keep three things in mind. First, many will heed the words of false teachers. Peter affirmed this in 2 Peter 2:2: “And many shall follow their pernicious ways; by reason of whom the way of truth shall evil be spoken of.”

Secondly, God has given us His precious truth which we can study (2 Tim. 2:15) and understand (Eph. 3:3-4) in order to protect us from false ways. The psalmist wrote, “Moreover by them is thy servant warned...” (Ps. 19:11), and, “Through thy precepts I get understanding: therefore I hate every false way” (Ps. 119:104).

Thirdly, false teachers do not parade themselves as false teachers. In fact, they can disguise themselves as ministers of righteousness (2 Cor. 11:13-15). When they are found out, we must mark them and avoid them at all costs. “Now I beseech you, brethren, mark them which cause divisions and offences contrary to the doctrine which ye have learned; and avoid them. For they that are such serve not our Lord Jesus Christ, but their own belly; and by good words and fair speeches deceive the hearts of the simple” (Rom. 16:17-18).

THIS WEEK’S MEMORY VERSE

“Not every one that saith unto me, Lord, Lord, shall enter into the kingdom of heaven; but he that doeth the will of my Father which is in heaven.”

Matthew 7:21

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