

ANNOUNCEMENTS

NOV 8, 2009

SICK LIST:

HEALTHCARE CENTERS: Gertrude Hall, Bertharine Burton, Maudie Jones

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AM SERMON - BEN WRIGHT - "HOW WILL I DIE?"

PM SERMON - BEN WRIGHT - "SEVEN SOUL STRENGTHENING COMMANDS"

REMEMBER THE SPECIAL CONTRIBUTION FOR GBN ON NOV 29

GOSPEL MEETING AT FAYETTE, NOV 8-11

GOSPEL MEETING AT BLACKWATER, NOV 8-11

DESSERTS FOR NOV 12: LETA PHILLIPS; 19: KIM HAYNES

SEE GENE OR LINDA FOR BIBLE CORRESPONDENCE COURSES

SEE DAVID FOR TAPES

BIRTHDAYS:

Nov 8: Bobby Myers

10: Gene McDonald & Leta Phillips

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TIMES OF SERVICES

SUNDAY MORNING

BIBLE CLASS 9:30

WORSHIP 10:20

SUNDAY EVENING 5:00

WEDNESDAY BIBLE STUDY 7:00

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HOW WILL I DIE?

- I. One can die _____.**
- A. To die this way means one has no _____.
 - B. Some say that children are born in sin, that they _____ the sin of Adam.
 - C. This simply is not _____ according to scripture.
 - 1. _____ 18:20.
 - 2. This would make Jesus _____ with sin, which is contradictory to scripture (2 Corinthians 5:21; Hebrews 7:26; 1 Peter 2:22-24).
 - 3. Jesus said His followers must become as little _____ (Matthew 18:3) - this would have Jesus telling us to become sinful again.
 - D. Also, those who are born with _____ defects that render them incapable of understanding right from wrong are safe.
 - E. One final passage puts this idea to rest if viewed correctly: _____ 16:16.
 - 1. One must be capable of _____ in Jesus as the Son of God.
 - 2. Without this capability one cannot, and will not, be held accountable by God: it would make Him _____ if He did.
- II. One can die _____.**
- A. When one is capable of belief and understands the impact of sin on his/her life and realizes there is sin in his/her life, that person then understands he/she is _____ from God.
 - B. Being separated from God carries severe _____.
 - 1. 2 Thessalonians 1:7-9 - ultimately it leads to _____ separation.
 - 2. We lose _____ with God while still living (1 Peter 3:12).
 - C. God does not want this to remain the case, therefore He sent His only begotten Son.
 - 1. 1 Timothy 2:4.
 - 2. Romans 6:23; 1 John 2:1-2.
 - D. Some _____ the gospel but go back to a life of sin, thereby separating themselves again from God's love (2 Thessalonians 3:6, 14-15).
- III. One can die _____.**
- A. One is saved only through the _____ of Christ (Revelation 1:5; 7:14).
 - B. The blood of Jesus is _____ in our salvation.
 - C. Without the blood of Christ, there can be no _____ of sins (Hebrews 9:22).
 - D. We then must live a life of faithful _____ to God in order to remain

saved.

- E. At times, we will sin, but if we are _____ in the light of God's word, we will be quick to repent, thus remaining in contact with the blood of Christ (1 John 1:7).

EXCEPT YE BE CONVERTED AND BECOME AS LITTLE CHILDREN

Patrick Morrison

In Matthew 18:1-6, Jesus gives some very important qualifications for those who would enter the kingdom of heaven. He would say, "Except ye be converted, and become as little children, ye shall not enter into the kingdom of heaven." Notice that this is something all who wish to enter that heavenly abode must do. But what did Jesus mean when he said that all who would enter heaven must become as little children? Surely he did not mean that those converted to him must act childish and immature. Rather he meant that those who are converted to him must be childlike. There is a vast difference from being childish and being childlike.

Perhaps one of the most outstanding qualities of a young child is his humble spirit. Young children have not yet learned what pride is. Those who wish to live for eternity in the presence of Almighty God must employ this same attitude of humility. As adults, we often trust in our own abilities all too much, refusing (because of stubborn pride) the help of those who truly can help us. This is all too often the case when it comes to salvation. We must turn to the One, and only One, who can save us—God. We must obey what He has set out for us to do. We must never think that we are "above" that which God would have us do. Without humility, we will never access the grace of the Almighty (Jas.4:10; I Pet.5:6). Is your pride more important than your soul (cf. Prov.16:18; Mt.16:26)?

A young child trusts with all his heart that his parents will be there for him in his time of need. A child trusts that his father will be there for him when he takes those first steps, or takes his first ride on his new bike. A child trusts that his mother will be there for him when he scrapes his knee, or when the other kids are picking on him. Those who would enter into heaven must, too, manifest a simple, loving trust in the One who loves us and gave himself for us (Jer.17:7). When God makes a promise, we should trust Him to see it through. When I do what He has told me through His word, I can rest assured and trust with all my heart that He will uphold what He has promised. I can also rest assured that He will be there for me—in times of need, in times of rejoicing, in times of despair. God is faithful and will not forsake His children (Heb.13:5). Do you trust in God?

Have you ever seen two children engaged in a tussle, shouting to each other that they

hate one another, only to see them five minutes later playing together as best friends, as if nothing ever happened? Children are so quick to forgive one another, while at the same time they are very quick to forget. Those who desire to live with God for eternity must manifest a similar attitude of forgiveness. The child of God must be willing to forgive those who repent of their wrongdoing if they wish to be forgiven of their sins by the Father (Mt.18:21,22; Eph.4:32). Do you manifest the same forgiving attitude toward others that God manifests toward you?

True conversion requires that we become childlike. Without such an attitude of heart and disposition of mind, we have no hope of entering into eternity in heaven. Won't you become as a little child?