

**ANNOUNCEMENTS**

**APR 11, 2010**

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AM SERMON - BEN WRIGHT - THE CASE FOR CONVENING

PM SERMON - BEN WRIGHT - PAUL'S FAREWELL

**ICYC WALKFEST, APR 16, 5:30-9 PM AT WALKER HIGH SCHOOL TRACK**

**REMEMBER TO GIVE BEN DONATIONS FOR ICYC TO HELP OUR CHILDREN HAVE FREE WEEKS FOR CAMP**

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Apr 12: Vercie Griffin

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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

### ELDERS:

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## THE CASE FOR CONVENING

(Hebrews 10:24-25)

- I. We are \_\_\_\_\_ a command from God.
- A. This one is very \_\_\_\_\_ to understand.
1. God wants His people to \_\_\_\_\_ Him (John 4:23-24).
  2. This is something that He has always \_\_\_\_\_.
- B. The recipients of the Hebrews letter were told they should not \_\_\_\_\_ the assemblies of the saints (Hebrews 10:24-25).
- II. We are in the \_\_\_\_\_ of Christ.

A. There are many \_\_\_\_\_ reasons for coming together for worship and one of them is that we get to be in the presence of Jesus.

B. Jesus is in the \_\_\_\_\_ of His people when they come together for worship.

1. Revelation 1:13, 20.

2. Matthew 18:20.

C. It ought to bring great comfort and joy, as well as \_\_\_\_\_, to know that Jesus is near when we assemble together.

**III. We are able to \_\_\_\_\_ God.**

A. Our heavenly Father has \_\_\_\_\_ each of us tremendously.

B. He should be praised for His \_\_\_\_\_ all things for us (Revelation 4:11).

C. He should be praised for \_\_\_\_\_ His plan of redemption and sending His Son.

D. He should be praised for the \_\_\_\_\_ He has given us (Isaiah 25:1).

**IV. We are able to \_\_\_\_\_ back to God.**

A. You and I have the opportunity to give back to God out of the great \_\_\_\_\_ He has given to us.

B. God's work is \_\_\_\_\_ and we get to have a part in that with God.

**V. We are able to be \_\_\_\_\_ in worship.**

A. Satan is constantly nipping at our heels trying to get us to \_\_\_\_\_.

B. When we come through these doors, it is almost as if there is a great \_\_\_\_\_ lifted off our shoulders.

1. We get to be around people that \_\_\_\_\_ about us (Philippians 2:4).

2. We get to be around people that \_\_\_\_\_ us (1 Peter 2:17).

C. So much good happens to us when we obey God's command to worship that we ought to \_\_\_\_\_ to never miss services.

D. We should feel as \_\_\_\_\_ did about worship (Psalm 122:1).

**VI. We get to \_\_\_\_\_ one another.**

A. We do this through our \_\_\_\_\_.

B. It helps me to know that I am not the only one \_\_\_\_\_ to do right.

1. Remember when \_\_\_\_\_ felt like he was the only one?

2. He wanted to \_\_\_\_\_ and give up and die.

3. God told him there were \_\_\_\_\_ others who were as faithful as Elijah.

C. Our \_\_\_\_\_ is to praise God and encourage one another (Colossians 3:16).

## Where Is Your Faith?

By Russell M. Kline

**Is your faith in the wealth of this world?** Most people believe that there is a great deal of security in worldly riches, but money can't buy *everything* (Luke 12:16-21). At the outset of the great depression, in the 1930s, people who put their faith in material goods committed suicide,

rather than face financial ruin. The wealth of this world can be lost as easily as it can be gained (I John 2:15-17). A big mansion, an expensive car, and fat wallet is no guarantee of happiness—in this world or the next (Mark 8:36,37).

Typically, money is a barrier between man and God (Mark 10:17-25). If making money is our highest aspiration in life, then we may have every reason to expect to fall short of reaching Heaven (Mat. 6:19-21; I Tim. 6:10). However, our lives need not be dominated by the pursuit of worldly riches (Mark 10:26,27; I Tim. 6:17-19). “...*a man’s life consisteth not in the abundance of the things which he possesseth*” (Luke 12:15).

**Is your faith in numbers?** When it comes to religion, the majority of people are not necessarily right (Exo. 23:2). In Noah’s day, the majority of people perished in the flood (Gen.6-9). In Moses’ day, the majority of people rebelled against God (Num. 13,14). In Jesus’ day, the majority of people cried out for His crucifixion (Luke 23). Just because most people share a particular system of religion, it does not necessarily follow that their religion is right! The Lord, Himself, predicted that most people would choose to follow the way that leads to Hell, while “*few*” would choose to follow the way that leads to Heaven (Mat. 7:13,14).

**Is your faith in your family?** Many people are what they are religiously, because that is what their family has been. But, our loyalty to family traditions is not going to get us into Heaven (Mat. 10:37). Many of the ancient Jews thought that Heaven was their birthright, but they were wrong (Mat. 3:7-10). Like Paul, we must be willing to admit the truth, and submit ourselves to it—even if it is not what our parents believed (Gal. 1:10-17).

**Is your faith in human wisdom?** The wisdom of man teaches that one “church” is as good as another; sincerity is more important than obedience; baptism may be done by sprinkling or pouring water over someone’s head—even though it is not really essential to salvation, anyway. The wisdom of God teaches that there is only one church (Mat. 16:18; Eph. 4:4); obedience is more important than sincerity (I Sam. 15:22,23); baptism is burial in water (Rom. 6:3,4; Col. 2:12)—and it is absolutely essential to salvation (Mark 16:16). Our faith in God must be based upon His wisdom; not man’s wisdom (I Cor. 2:1-5).

**Is your faith in your feelings?** Many people base their entire religious faith upon whatever *feels* right to them. That is why more and more churches are resorting to gimmickry and showmanship to fill their buildings. People are looking for churches that will satisfy their wants, instead of their needs. The Bible warns us not be deceived by our own feelings (Pro.14:12; Jer. 10:23).

The only sure foundation for our faith is Jesus Christ (I Cor. 3:11). If your faith is founded in wealth, in numbers, in family, in man’s wisdom, in feelings, then it is founded in something that will not stand the test of time. Remember that the wise man built his “*house*” upon a rock (Mat. 7:24-27). We would do well to build our faith upon a rock-solid foundation (Mat. 16:17,18). Obey the gospel plan of salvation, and let your faith reside in the Word of Almighty God—where it rightfully belongs!