

Prayer List



Of Our Number

- ◆ Jennifer Derrick—scans April 16
- ◆ Florene Howze—health problems
- ◆ Hannah Lawson—tests regarding pituitary gland and small tumor on brain
- ◆ Jim Ward—cancer in remission

Others in Need

- ◆ Pray for first responders and those affected by fires and other emergencies
- ◆ Al Aplin—surgery soon
- ◆ Deb Aplin—biopsies soon
- ◆ Thomas Bush—11, cancer
- ◆ Tim Dixon—lymphoma; chemo
- ◆ Keith Grimes—biopsy showed some abnormal cells; more tests
- ◆ David Lee—broken hip
- ◆ Jason Rickmon—stage 3 cancer; throat surgery recovery
- ◆ Luis Sanchez—brain cancer

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- ◆ Isaac Simon—surgery recently
- ◆ Sidney White—short of breath
- ◆ Pray also for those who have lost loved ones, government leaders, military, those traveling, alien sinners, those fallen away, the church at Baker and worldwide.

Events



- ◆ April 25th
4th Wednesday Singing
- ◆ April 29th-May 2nd
Gospel meeting at Innerarity Point
- ◆ May 6-11
Our Homecoming Meeting with Jason Holladay speaking

Faithful Worship — **1) Praying** to God the Father in the name of Jesus Christ (Luke 11:1-2; John 16:23; Eph. 5:20; Phil. 4:6); **2) Singing** without mechanical instruments (Matt. 26:30; Eph. 5:19; Col. 3:16-17; Heb. 2:12); **3) Preaching** God's Word (Mark 16:15-16; Acts 2:42; 20:7); **4) Giving** as prospered, cheerfully (1 Cor. 16:1-2; 2 Cor. 9:7); **5) The Lord's Supper** on the first day of every week (Matt. 26:26-28; Acts 20:7; 1 Cor. 11:20-34; 16:2; Heb. 10:23-31).

To Our Visitors

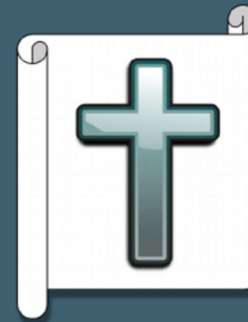


We are happy and honored that you are here! Please fill out a visitor's card and give us a chance to get to know you. If you have any questions about anything said or done in Bible class or worship, please ask. We seek to give a Bible answer for everything we do (Colossians 3:17; 1 Peter 3:15; 4:11).

Privileged to Serve



Announcements—Glenn Howze
Song Leading—Caleb Howze (Wed.)
 David Howze (Sun.)
Serving the Lord's Supper
 Head: Leo Derrick; Helpers: Mark Howze,
 Ethan Howze, Caleb Howze
Lord's Supper PM
 Head: Ethan Howze
 Helper: Caleb Howze
Scripture Reading—Braden Hilburn



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Meeting Times

Sundays:

- 10AM Bible Class
- 11AM Worship
- 5:30PM Pew Packers
- 6PM Worship

Wednesdays:

- 7PM Bible Class

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The Plain Truth About Money

Roger Campbell

Small children are often fascinated with money because it's shiny and small enough to go in their mouth. As they grow up they reach the point when they understand money has the power to buy things. That's a new reason for them to like money. Later in their teenage years their thinking can be dominated by a desire to possess money in order to impress others or to buy things that mom and dad won't buy them. As adults; well, a lot of adults are still fond of money.

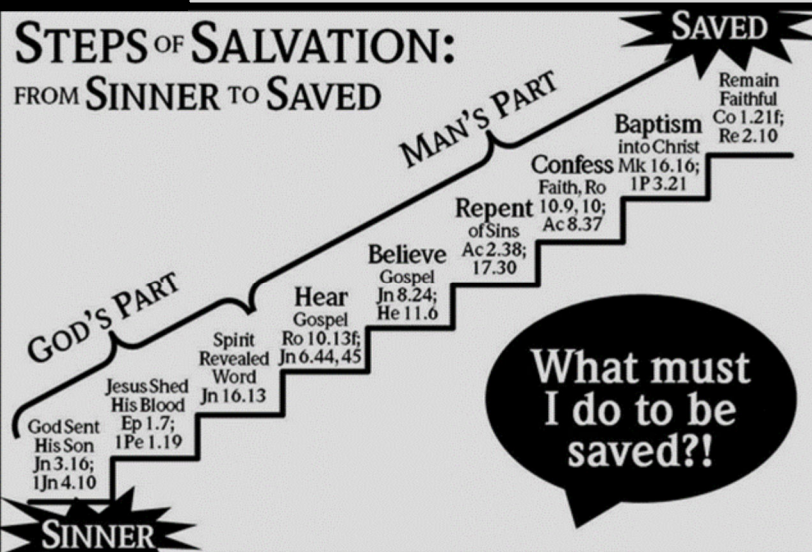
Money, in and of itself, possesses no moral qualities. Money is neither righteous nor unrighteous. Money is an inanimate object, a means or tool to help us obtain something else. It's one's attitude toward money/ riches that makes the difference.

In order to help us keep a handle on our attitude, we offer the following six truthful statements about money. May they serve as a reminder and/or warning to all of us.

1) Money cannot buy love. Way back in the 60s the Beatles were singing, "I don't care too much for money, 'cause money can't buy me love." It was true then, and it is still true now.

STEPS OF SALVATION: FROM SINNER TO SAVED

"...ye were the servants of sin..."
(Romans 6:17).



What must I do to be saved?!

"...but ye have obeyed from the heart that form of doctrine which was delivered you. Being then made free from sin, ye became the servants of righteousness" (Rom. 6:17b-18).

Money may impress folks and attract them to a money-possessing person, but money cannot buy genuine love. Young people, are you listening?

2) Money doesn't grow on trees. How many times did we hear our parents tell us that when we wanted something we couldn't afford? Because it is true that money does not grow on trees and we can't have it at the snap of our fingers, we need to be good stewards with the funds God has placed in our hands (1 Cor. 4:2). Our Lord says, "Owe no man anything" (Rom. 13:8). Christians ought not to use credit cards to the extent they get themselves into debt they can't pay off.

3) Money is not the root of all evil, but the love of money is (1 Tim. 6:10). The love of money is covetousness, and covetousness is idolatry (Col. 3:5). Such a love affair with material riches has ruined friendships, marriages, and even congregations. How sad indeed!

4) Money never has and never will save a soul. Money can be used to help support the preaching of the Gospel (2 Cor. 11:8,9). It is also an instrument that assists us in edifying the faithful. But still, money cannot save souls.

5) Money will not accompany us when we leave this world. Regardless of how much money one has, the money stays behind when we die. You can't take it with you. "For we brought nothing into this world, and it is certain we can carry nothing out" (1 Tim. 6:7).

6) Money is not success, and success is not possessing money. Oh, if we could only help people, including ourselves, see this point! There will be plenty rich people go to hell. And, there will be plenty poor folks go to heaven. One's eternal destiny is not determined by his/her financial status. You want success, you say? Then listen carefully to what the Lord once told Joshua: "This book of the law shall not depart out of thy mouth; but thou shalt meditate therein day and night, that thou mayest observe to do according to all that is written therein: for then thou shalt make thy way prosperous, and then thou shalt have good success" (Joshua 1:8). THAT is true success.

Let each of us resolve to accept the truth about money, and in the process, beware of "the deceitfulness of riches" (Mark 4:19).

Learning from the Young

Jason Patrick Hilburn

A few years ago I was speaking out of town as a guest preacher. While I was there for that week, I met a young boy who made a great impression on me. He was probably eight years old, and was very enthusiastic about worship—especially song leading. As I was sitting alone on the front pew before worship began, he came up and sat next to me. He was talking to me about preaching and singing, and then he pointed to the list of song numbers on the wall that were going to be sung in worship. He said, "Do you know why there's a blank spot between those numbers up there?" I said, "No, I don't." He said, "When it's blank, we sing the song on the inside cover." Although this tidbit of information may sound trivial to some, this young man was helping me to be better prepared to worship God! Not only was his enthusiasm for worship contagious, but he taught me something that helped me be prepared to worship with everyone else, and I thanked him for it.

Now, what if I would have had a bad attitude toward this young boy trying to teach me (a grown man) something? Would that not have been discouraging to him? It would have been utterly foolish of me to scoff at him for trying to teach me something new, as if I knew it all, being five times his age. However, I have often noticed that when I, as a younger man, have respectfully approached many who are older than me with sound advice or words from God that would save their souls, they have often scoffed at me, simply because I was younger than them. This has been disappointing and discouraging, just as it would have been to the young boy if my attitude had been sour toward him for his advice.

The young evangelist Timothy undoubtedly had to teach those older than him quite often, and the apostle Paul told him, "*Let no man despise thy youth, but be thou an example of the believers...*" (1 Tim. 4:12). It was also young David who had to teach the older generation of Israelites how to defeat Goliath through faith (1 Sam. 17). It was the little maid who, through faith in the power of God, advised mighty Naaman about healing his leprosy (2 Kings 5).

Young people should always be respectful to those older than them, but that does not mean that the younger have nothing they can teach the older. Solomon wrote, "*Better is a poor and a wise child than an old and foolish king, who will no more be admonished*" (Eccl. 4:13). We all need to beware of the selfish pride that would keep us from listening to good, sound advice that may come from those of any age! (Prov. 1:7; 5:12-13; 13:15; 15:5; 16:18; 18:12; 2 Kings 5:10-14; Acts 18:24-28).