

## Prayer List



### Of Our Number

- ◆ Several have been sick
- ◆ Janice Carnley—health problems
- ◆ Eloise Hoffman—lung cancer
- ◆ Florene Howze—improving
- ◆ Kynlie Lawson—sporadic seizures
- ◆ Jim Ward—health problems

### Others in Need

- ◆ Travis Barrow—dog attack
- ◆ Susie Burke (Laura Laux' mother)—surgery in March
- ◆ Thomas Bush—11, cancer
- ◆ Chloe Fleming (Jason's niece)—non-alcoholic fatty liver disease
- ◆ Wanda Hunter—stage 4 cancer
- ◆ Vernie Mann (Chris Wynn's mother)—health problems
- ◆ Brenda Mateer—stage 4 cancer
- ◆ Gail Robbins—health problems
- ◆ Tom Snyder—chemo for pancreatic cancer

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◆ Pray also for those who have lost loved ones, first responders, police officers, government leaders, military, those traveling, alien sinners, those fallen away, the church at Baker and worldwide.

## Events

Jan. 20th

Wade Phillips speaking during PM worship

Jan. 23rd

4th Wednesday Singing

Feb. 22nd

Faith and Fellowship

**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).

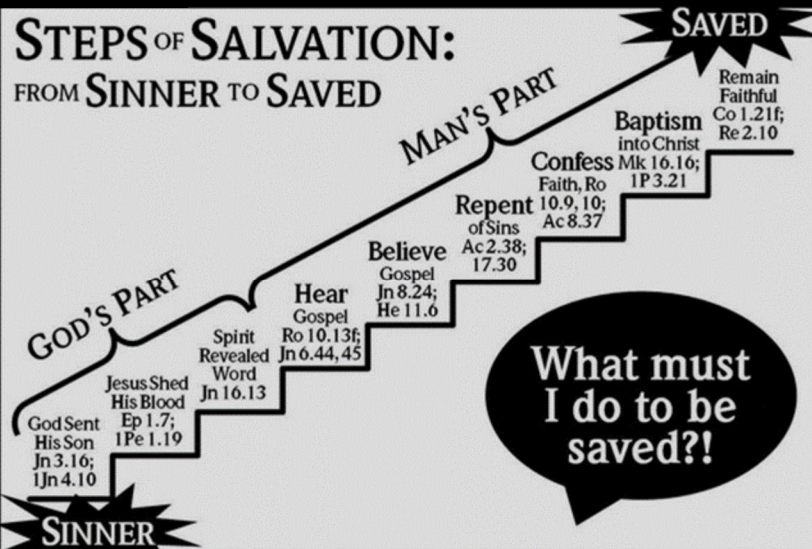
## Privileged to Serve



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

## STEPS OF SALVATION: FROM SINNER TO SAVED

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



"...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).

# THE BAKER BULLETIN

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## Meeting Times

### Sundays:

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

### Wednesdays:

- 7PM Bible Class

## Other Information

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## Not Knowing the Scriptures

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The Sadducees said there is no resurrection. They tried to trap Jesus with the following question: "Master, Moses said, If a man die, having no children, his brother shall marry his wife, and raise up seed unto his brother. Now there were with us seven brethren: and the first, when he had married a wife, deceased, and, having no issue (offspring), left his wife unto his brother. Likewise the second also, and the third, unto the seventh. And last of all the woman died also. Therefore in the resurrection whose wife shall she be of the seven? for they all had her" (Matthew 22:24-28).

Jesus answered their question by saying. "Ye do err, not knowing the Scriptures, nor the power of God. For in the resurrection they neither marry, nor are given in marriage, but are as angels of God in heaven. But as touching the resurrection of the dead, have ye not read that which was spoken to you by God, saying, I am the God of Abraham, and the God of Isaac, and the God of Jacob? God is not the God of the dead, but of the living" (Matthew 22:29-32). Those critics of Jesus missed two important points: (1) The Scriptures, and (2) The power of God. Their senseless questions would never have been asked if they had known the Scriptures.

How many times, in religious discussion, have we found ourselves embarrassed because of not knowing the Scriptures? Often people make foolish statements concerning God or spiritual things because of a lack of faith in God or a lack of knowledge of the scriptures.

NOT KNOWING THE SCRIPTURES HAS LED TO ACCEPTANCE OF EVOLUTION. "For every house is builded by some man, but he that built all things is God" (Hebrews 3:4). Houses are the result of planning and design. Houses do not happen by

accident. God is the designer, planner, and creator of the world.

NOT KNOWING THE SCRIPTURES HAS LED TO A REJECTION OF THE BIBLE AS GOD'S WORD. The words of the Bible are God's words given by the Holy Spirit. "These things also speak, not in the words which man's wisdom teacheth, but which the Holy Spirit teacheth, comparing spiritual things with spiritual" (I Corinthians 2:13). Peter said inspired men spoke God's word as the Holy Spirit moved them. (II Peter 1:20-21). The Bible is God's eternal word.

NOT KNOWING THE SCRIPTURES HAS LED MANY TO MISS THE THEME OF THE BIBLE. Man has a sin problem. "Behold, the Lord's hand is not shortened, that it cannot save; neither his ear heavy, that it cannot hear: but your iniquities have separated you and your God, and your sins have hid his face from you, that he will not hear" (Isaiah 59:1-2). God formed a plan to save man through the sacrifice of Jesus as Savior. The theme of the Bible is salvation through Jesus. There is salvation in no other (Acts 4:12).

NOT KNOWING THE SCRIPTURES HAS LED TO CONFUSION ABOUT THE CHURCH. Jesus promised to build His church, and did build His one church. "And I also say unto thee, That thou art Peter, and upon this rock I will build My church; and the gates of hades shall not prevail against it" (Matthew 16:18). The saved are added to Christ's church (Acts 2:47). The gospel of Christ produces the one body or church of Christ (Ephesians 4:4). If people knew the scriptures they would be contented to be united in God's one family, the church.

NOT KNOWING THE SCRIPTURES HAS LED TO DENOMINATIONALISM. Jesus desired and prayed for unity. "Nether I pray for these alone, but them also which shall believe on me through their word; that they all may be one; as Thou, Father, art in Me, and I in thee, that they also may be one in us: that the world may believe that thou hast sent me" (John 17:20-21). The Bible pictures denominationalism as something bad. "Now I beseech you, brethren, by the name of our Lord Jesus Christ, that ye all speak the same thing, and that there be no divisions among you; but that ye be perfectly joined together in the same mind and in the same judgment. For it hath been declared unto me of you, my brethren, by them which are the house of Chloe, that there are contentions among you. Now this I say, that every one of you saith, I am of Paul; and I of Apollos; and I of Cephas; and I of Christ.' Is Christ divided? was Paul crucified for you? or were ye baptized in the name of Paul? (I Corinthians 1:10-13). I must contend for the one God, one Lord, one faith, one baptism, one hope, and one church!

NOT KNOWING THE SCRIPTURES HAS LED PEOPLE TO REJECT BAPTISM. Jesus said, "He that believeth and is baptized shall be saved; but he that believeth not shall be damned" (Mark 16:16). Denominations teach, "He that believeth is saved and is then baptized to join the church." The Bible teaches that baptism is the final step in becoming a Christian. "For as many of you as have been baptized into Christ have put on Christ" (Galatians 3:27).

There is no greater privilege on earth than that of being a Christian. A true Christian is Christ-like in, word, deed, and thought. One major step in being just a Christian is that of knowing the scriptures and the power of God. So therefore, we must "study" (II Timothy 2:15).

## Has This Ever Happened to You?

You went through an entire song service without even thinking about what you were singing?

You bowed your head and closed your eyes during the prayer, but you really did not become involved in it?

You were more interested in when he could finish the sermon than in what he was saying during the sermon?

You allowed some minor noise near you to completely upset you, so you could not really worship?

These and many other things often happen, do they not? Here's what you should do:

1. Do not come to the services expecting to be entertained; this is not its purpose.
2. Be a participant rather than just a spectator.
3. Prepare yourself mentally when coming to worship. Think about the what and why concerning worship.
4. Resolve that you are going to worship no matter what others do. There are many events and functions we attend where there are many distractions, but we accept them. We do not condone noise in worship, but let us be determined that it will not keep us from worshiping.
5. Do not think that services have to be conducted differently to be meaningful.
6. Examine your motives for worshipping often. Habit may become the motive.
7. Bring your Bible, and run references during the sermon.
8. Take notes during the sermon. The time will pass by faster, and you will retain more of the lesson.
9. Make a list of words in the songs which are unfamiliar to you and find their definitions later.
10. Come to services with the positive attitude that it is a privilege, and that you will truly worship in spirit and in truth.

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