

Prayer List



Of Our Number

- ♦ Janice Carnley—health problems
- ♦ Eloise Hoffman—lung cancer
- ♦ Florene Howze—health problems
- ♦ Hannah Lawson—expecting
- ♦ Jim Ward—health problems

Others in Need

- ♦ Ken Blackford—health issues
- ♦ Don Blackwell—spinal injury
- ♦ Emily Burkett (Whitney's friend)—lost her baby son Griffin
- ♦ Belinda Crawford and family
- ♦ Eugene Crowe (Martha Wynn's grandfather)—health problems
- ♦ Duane Dawson—health problems
- ♦ Avery Derrick (Whitney's baby)—undergoing tests on heart
- ♦ Whitney Derrick—expecting
- ♦ Kristin Erickson—surgery recovery
- ♦ Amelia Hogan (Wynns' niece)—cystic fibrosis; respiratory infection
- ♦ Wanda Hunter—stage 4 cancer
- ♦ Brenda Mateer—surgery recovery

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- ♦ Family of Ina Mae Simon, who recently passed on May 19th
- ♦ Phillip Vanwinkle—stage 4 cancer
- ♦ Chris Wynn's father and mother—health problems
- ♦ Pray also for those who have lost loved ones, first responders, police officers, government leaders, military, those traveling, alien sinners, those fallen away, our enemies, the church at Baker and worldwide.

Events

June 2
Fellowship Meal

June 22
4th Wednesday Singing

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—David Howze (Sun.)
 Caleb Howze (Wed.)
Serving the Lord's Supper
 Head: Leo Derrick Helpers: Mark Howze,
 Johnny Moss, Chris Wynn
Lord's Supper PM
 Head: Glenn Howze
 Helper: Josh Lawson
Scripture Reading—Ethan Howze

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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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Building in Your Children Respect for Authority

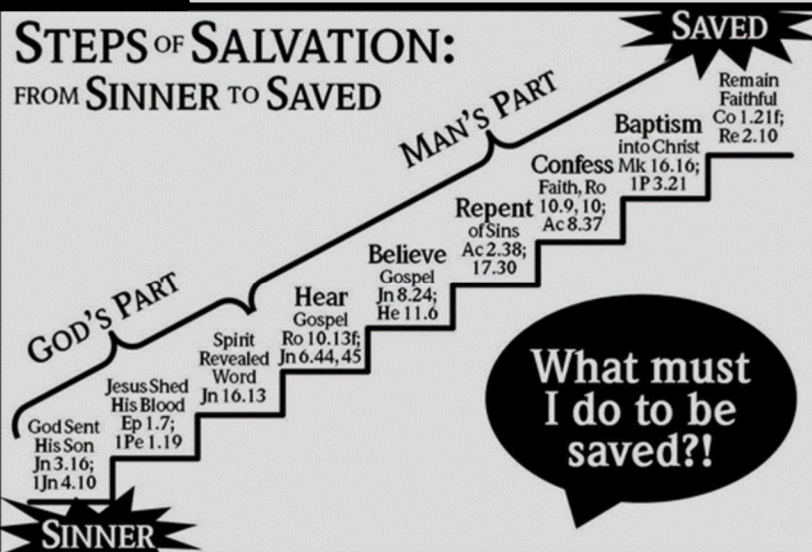
Jim Faughn

“No!” – Some who will read this article will remember a time that now seems so long ago when that simple two-letter word put an end to misbehavior on the part of children. When that word was spoken by a parent, a teacher, or any other authority figure, it was typical for no further action to be necessary. On those occasions when further action was necessary, that action was carried out, usually without much delay.

How the tables have turned! In today's world, it is not uncommon to hear that word spoken loudly, defiantly, and forcefully by a child to a parent, teacher, and/or some other authority figure who is attempting [in vain, it seems] to guide or correct the child. While one Christian or one family may not be able to change an entire society, Christian parents are concerned about instilling in their children a healthy respect for authority. They recognize that many of the ills of our society can be traced to a lack of respect for authority. They further realize that this is a matter of eternal importance. If a child does not learn to respect earthly authority figures, how can he or she learn to respect the One before whom all of us will stand in

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).

judgment (cf. 2 Corinthians 5:10)?

Hopefully looking at some key words in the above title will be helpful to parents and others.

Authority – Whatever else one may say about the God whom we serve, it must be recognized that **order** is a fundamental concept. Fundamental to order is the concept of **authority**. We well remember the condition that existed in the days of the Judges when it was reported, “In those days there was no king in Israel: every man did that which was right in his own eyes” (Judges 21:25; see also 17:6).

Respect – Multiple citations could be given from the Scriptures to demonstrate God’s desire for His people to honor the elderly, governmental officials, elders, and other faithful servants of the Lord, parents, etc. A good summary statement of this concept may be found in Romans 13:7: “Render therefore to all their dues: tribute to whom tribute is due; custom to whom custom; fear to whom fear; honour to whom honour.”

Children – While not inspired, there is more than a grain of truth in the statement, “As the twig is bent, so grows the tree.” Proverbs 22:6 still advised the reader to “**Train up a child...**” [emphasis mine]. How sad it is for parents to recognize far too late that they should have been trying to instill in their children a respect for authority from the earliest months of their lives onward.

Your – One of the “life lessons” that some parents and all children need to learn is that it is irrelevant what other families are doing with regards to honoring God and obeying Him. Christian parents in today’s society need to have the same attitude that Joshua of old had: “...as for me and my house, we will serve the Lord” (Joshua 24:15).

In – Our Lord told us that thoughts, attitudes, and actions come “from the heart” (Matthew 15:18). It is to be remembered that true conversion takes place when one obeys “from the heart” (Rom. 6:17). Respect for authority must be instilled.

Building – Just as there are certain things that are helpful in building

a physical structure, there are similar things that are helpful in building a respect for authority in children. It is hoped that the ones discussed here will serve as a “springboard” for further study and discussion. While the following are not presented as being comprehensive, they are some of the things that are necessary.

Time – No building of any significance is built in a day or two. Respect for authority begins to “take shape” over days, weeks, months, and years of effort.

Blueprint – We have the perfect blueprint. It has the words Holy Bible on its cover. Every parent needs to strive for consistency in applying its teaching.

Teamwork – Fathers and mothers [often with the help of some good brothers and sisters in the Lord] should work together—not pull in opposite directions—to achieve the worthy and eternally important goal of building respect.

Example – In human relations, a popular term today is “mentoring.” In the building trades, a similar term and concept is that of being an “apprentice.” Responsibilities are gradually “handed off” to the next generation which has learned much of what it knows from observation. We need to make sure we are “handing off” a healthy and proper respect for authority.

Foundation – None of the other things mentioned or any of the others that could be mentioned are of any value without a proper foundation. While we primarily think in terms of the church, it should be true as well with regards to families and individual lives that “other foundation can no man lay than that is laid, which is Jesus Christ” (1 Corinthians 3:11).

Purpose – Why is the proposed structure being built? That will go a long way in determining **how** it is built. Parents should “build” respect in their children because they realize that the purpose for our existence is to bring glory and honor to our Father and to our Savior.

May God help all of us to strive for that in our own lives and to do all we can to instill that desire in those who are coming along after us.