

Prayer List



Of Our Number

- ♦ Janice Carnley—Shoal Creek
- ♦ Jennifer Derrick—bleed spot has shrunk; more scans around August
- ♦ Florene Howze—health problems
- ♦ Jim Ward—health problems

Others in Need

- ♦ Janet Andrews—cancer
- ♦ Belinda Crawford—eye issues
- ♦ Bob Duke—health problems
- ♦ Brenda Mateer—stage 4 cancer
- ♦ Thad McCall—health problems
- ♦ Mary Milsted—lung cancer
- ♦ Patty Ryan (Stanley Ryan's wife)- 2 new lesions; biopsy May 27th
- ♦ Saffder—close friend of Sikander in Pakistan; family has COVID-19
- ♦ Judy Whitehead—heart problems
- ♦ Bobby Williams—brain tumor surgery recovery
- ♦ Brenda Wooten—stage 4 cancer

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♦ Beyond COVID-19 itself, many are suffering all over the world because of lockdowns causing job-loss and poverty.

♦ Those mourning, public servants, gov. leaders, military, those traveling, alien sinners, those fallen away, our enemies, and the church worldwide.

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).

Events



October 18-22

Our Gospel Meeting with Joel Wheeler preaching

Privileged to Serve



Announcements—Mark Howze

Song Leading—David Howze

Serving the Lord's Supper

Head: Leo Derrick
Helper: Josh Lawson

Lord's Supper PM

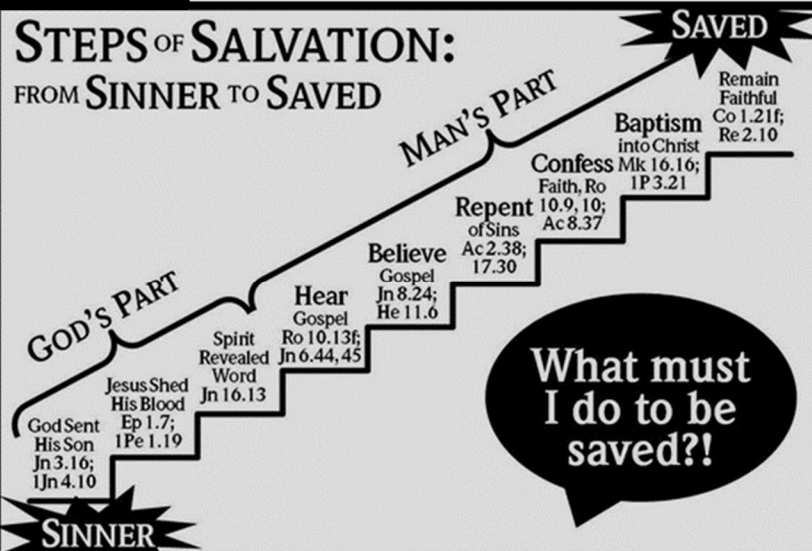
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Scripture Reading—Ethan Howze

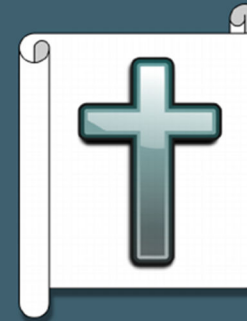
Faithful Worship — **1) Praying** to God the Father in the name of Jesus Christ (Luke 11:1-2; John 16:23; Eph. 5:20; Phil. 4:6); **2) Singing** without mechanical instruments (Matt. 26:30; Eph. 5:19; Col. 3:16-17; Heb. 2:12); **3) Preaching** God's Word (Mark 16:15-16; Acts 2:42; 20:7); **4) Giving** 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).

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).



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Meeting Times

Sundays:

10AM Bible Class

11AM Worship

6PM Worship

Wednesdays:

7PM Bible Class

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APOSTASY: PROOF THAT TRUTH IS A STANDARD

By Roger Bruner

Apostasy is both a departure and a reverting to a previous condition. 2 Peter 2:20-22. We learn much from this text.

Notice, these phrases:

- "after they have escaped...defilements of the world";
- "Through the knowledge" – [knowledge = spiritual discernment]
- "entangled/overcome"
- "Last state is become worse...than the first."
- "Better...not to have known...than to turn back"

This language is describing a return to a defiled condition; one which was escaped through knowledge.

Knowledge of 'the Lord and Saviour Jesus Christ', Knowledge of 'the way of righteousness', and Knowledge of 'the holy commandment'.

(All of these are one and the same thing)

Other passages describing apostasy: 2 Thessalonians 2:3,

10-12. Here, apostasy is called a 'falling away'. Here, we are also told the causes of this 'falling away':

- a. "they received not a love of the TRUTH";
- b. they "believed not the TRUTH, but had pleasure in unrighteousness".

Apostasy implies the existence of TRUTH. Why? Because TRUTH is what was 'fallen from'; TRUTH was something that 'existed'; something that knowledge of the Lord and Saviour Jesus Christ had revealed (i.e., "made known").

Jesus is "...the way the truth & the life..." in that His teachings are TRUTH and life (John 6:68; 14:6). TRUTH is "the holy commandment"; 'the way of righteousness'.

TRUTH implies the existence of a standard or a pattern. (Galatians 1:6-9) "another gospel as opposed to the one true gospel".

2 Peter 2:2 – false prophets blaspheme (i.e., 'speak evil of'), "the way of truth". The "way of truth" must or has to exist, else it cannot be "evil spoken of".

Something "true" must exist before anything false can be identified. A 'departure' cannot occur from something that doesn't exist!

"For if after they have escaped the pollutions of the world through the knowledge of the Lord and Saviour Jesus Christ, they are again entangled therein, and overcome, the latter end is worse with them than the beginning" (2 Peter 2:20).

"For it had been better for them not to have known the way of righteousness, than, after they have known it, to turn from the holy commandment delivered unto them" (2:21).

"But it is happened unto them according to the true proverb, The dog is turned to his own vomit again; and the sow that was washed to her wallowing in the mire" (2:22).

A Few Words from Jason

There were 23 more baptisms in Pakistan last week, for a total of 68 souls saved since February 19th when Sikander was converted!

