Prayer List



Of Our Number

- ◆ Janice Carnley—Shoal Creek
- ◆ Leo Derrick—arm improving
- ◆ Wilfred Derrick—aneurysm
- ◆ Florene Howze—Asst. Living
- ◆ Donna Parish—surg. recovery
- ◆ Jim Ward—surgery recovery
 Others in Need
- ◆ John Branch—in hospital
- ◆ Charles Compton—cancer
- ◆ Elise Davis—shoulder surgery
- ◆ Mary Lou Joseph—cancer
- ◆ Carol Kitzan—health problems
- ◆ Jeff Mashburn—health problems
- ◆ Taylor Mashburn—pregnancy complications
- ◆ Paul Mayo—chemotherapy
- ◆ Thad McCall—health problems
- ◆ Mary Milsted—lung cancer
- ◆ Audrey Murdock—broke 2 ribs
- ◆ Peggy Preece's daughter,
 Angel—blood clot

◆ Patty Ryan—better results

- ◆ Gene Taylor—cancer
- ◆ Randall Ward—slow cancer
- ◆ Ronnie Wells—radiation was ineffective
- ◆ Christians overseas, Ukraine
- ◆ Government leaders, military, 1st responders, travelers, the lost, and our enemies.

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



Events



July 17-20

Mossy Head Gospel Mtg.

July 31-Aug. 3

Union Hill Gospel Meeting

Announcements—Leo Derrick

Song Leading—Sunday—David Howze; Wednesday—Justin Derrick

Serving the Lord's Supper

Head: Mark Howze; Helpers: Justin Derrick, Josh Lawson, Johnny Moss

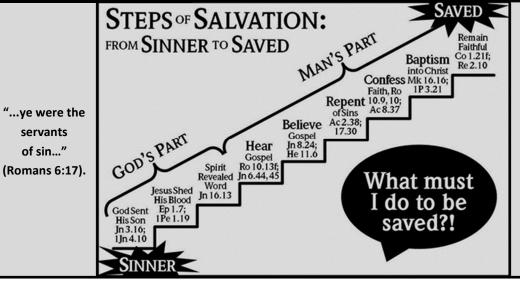
Lord's Supper PM

Head: Leo Derrick Helper: Justin Derrick

Scripture Reading—Braden Hilburn

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 weekly 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).

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"...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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"The Head of Christ is God"

Part 3 of 3, by Jason Patrick Hilburn

AFTER THE JUDGMENT DAY

It seems that some have misunderstood what Paul taught here in First Corinthians 15:

Then cometh the end, when he shall have delivered up the kingdom to God, even the Father; when he shall have put down all rule and all authority and power. For he must reign, till he hath put all enemies under his feet. The last enemy that shall be destroyed is death. For he hath put all things under his feet. But when he saith all things are put under him, it is manifest that he is excepted, which did put all things under him. And when all things shall be subdued unto him, then shall the Son also himself be subject unto him that put all things under him, that God may be all in all (I Cor. 15:24-28).

The fact that it says, "...<u>then</u> shall the Son also himself be subject unto him..." does not mean that God is not the Head of Christ now. In these same verses Paul explained that God was the one who had the power to give Christ His current authority, and that God is an exception to that authority. To be even clearer, in

chapter eleven Paul wrote that God is the Head of Christ (I Cor. 11:3). The only harmonious teaching is that Christ is subject to God now, and He will be subject to God "then" also.

While Jesus was on earth, a request was made to Him that Jesus said only the Father could fulfill: "...Grant that these my two sons may sit, the one on thy right hand, and the other on the left, in thy kingdom. But Jesus answered and said...to sit on my right hand, and on my left, is not mine to give, but it shall be given to them for whom it is prepared of my Father" (Mt. 20:20-23). Only the Father will have the authority to grant such. This is one reason why Christians address the Father in their prayers of supplications and thanksgivings. The Father is the Provider, the one with ultimate authority to give every gift (Jas. 1:17; cf. Mt. 6:9-ff; 7:7-11; Lk. 11:1-ff; Jn. 16:23; Eph. 5:20; Phil. 4:6; Rev. 8:3-4). In fact, even though Jesus is back in Heaven, He is still praying to the Father! He is pleading with the Father on behalf of Christians (Rom. 8:34; Heb. 7:25; 9:24; 1 Jn. 2:1; cf. Jn. 14:16). The very fact that Jesus pleads with the Father indicates that the Father is still the one with the final authority!

CONCLUSION: WHO IS TRULY THE ONE GOD ABOVE ALL OTHER BEINGS?

In First Timothy 2:5, the Father is called the one God, and Jesus is called a man. Although Jesus is the divine man, passages like these accentuate significant differences between the Father and Son. Keep in mind that First Timothy was written well after Jesus had returned to Heaven. "For there is one God, and one mediator between God and men, the man Christ Jesus" (I Tim. 2:5; cf. Jn. 1:14; I Cor. 15:47; Eph. 4:6; Phil. 2:6-8).

Jesus and the Holy Spirit are divine (and can rightfully be called God), so why did Jesus call the Father "the only true God" separately from Himself? "And this is life eternal, that they might know thee the only true God, and Jesus Christ, whom thou hast sent" (Jn. 17:3; cf. 4:23-24). Why did Jesus not say in His prayer, "That they might know us, who both comprise the only true God?" Did Jesus simply mean that the Father was the true God when compared to idols? If so, why did Jesus say that God was also His God? (Jn. 20:17). Paul often referred specifically to the Father as the "one God" or "true God" separately from Jesus and the Holy Spirit, who were also

mentioned in the same context (I Cor. 8:4-6; Eph. 4:6; I Thess. 1:9-10; I Tim. 2:5; cf. Mal. 2:10; Acts 3:13; I Jn. 5:20; Jude 4). Here is an example of such in the context of idol worship:

...we know that an idol is nothing in the world, and that there is none other God but one. For though there be that are called gods, whether in heaven or in earth, (as there be gods many, and lords many,) But to us there is but one God, the Father, of whom are all things, and we in him; and one Lord Jesus Christ, by whom are all things, and we by him. Howbeit there is not in every man that knowledge... (I Cor. 8:4-7).

When Paul wrote his first epistle to the Thessalonians, he contrasted idols with God the Father, and described Him as the true God: "...how ye turned to God from idols to serve the living and true God; And to wait for his Son from heaven..." (I Thess. 1:9-10).

Do any of these passages mean that Jesus cannot rightfully be called "God"? No, they do not! Paul Himself described Jesus as "God...manifest in the flesh" (I Tim. 3:16; cf. Mic. 5:2; Isa. 7:14; 9:6; 40:3; Mt. 1:23; Jn. 1:1; Heb. 1:8). So where is the harmony? The harmony is found in that God the Father is the "true God" compared to idols, but He is also truly the God of Jesus Christ, His divine Son (John 20:17; II Cor. 11:31; Eph. 1:3; 4:6; I Pet. 1:3; Heb. 1:9). Therefore, the Father is the only one who can truly be called "God...of all" in the ultimate sense (Eph. 4:6). Although Jesus and the Holy Spirit are divine, neither of them possesses this distinction. Only God the Father is the "one God" who is "above all" (Eph. 4:6), which includes His authority over Jesus and the Holy Spirit, who had been mentioned in the previous verses of Ephesians 4 (Eph. 4:4-6; cf. Jn. 13:16; 14:28; I Cor. 11:3; 15:27-28).

Though the term "God" is mostly used of God the Father, both Jesus and God the Father are at times called "God" or "Lord." However, a critical difference is that Jesus is never called "the God" of God the Father or "the Head" of God the Father. The Bible never says that Jesus sent the Father anywhere on any mission. Jesus is our Divine Brother (Mt. 28:10; Jn. 20:17; Rom. 8:29; Heb. 2:9-18), and God is our Divine Father. The term "Father" indicates authority over all His children, including Jesus. When all the evidence is considered, the Bible clearly teaches that God the Father is the Supreme Ruler over Jesus and all others.