

Prayer List



Of Our Number

- ♦ Janice Carnley—Shoal Creek
- ♦ Wilfred Derrick—kidneys not functioning well

Others in Need

- ♦ Dale Cunningham—health issues
- ♦ Louis De Lange—tests
- ♦ Mary Lou Joseph—cancer
- ♦ Michael Hudson—stage 4 cancer
- ♦ Lynn Johnson—health issues
- ♦ Tony Jones—Parkinson's
- ♦ Thad McCall—health problems
- ♦ Mary Milsted—lung cancer
- ♦ Shane Price—cancer
- ♦ Larry Shappley—hospice care
- ♦ Robert R. Taylor, Jr.—passed away last week
- ♦ Ronnie Wells—health problems
- ♦ Tornado victims in Arkansas, Mississippi

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- ♦ Christians overseas, Ukraine
- ♦ Sound Bible schools, civil leaders, military, 1st responders, the lost, our enemies.

Events



April 15
Union Hill Ladies Day (RSVP)

April 16-19
Innerarity Point Gospel Mtg, various speakers

May 7-11
Our Gospel Meeting

June 4-7
Gospel Mtg. at Sasser

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).

To Our Visitors

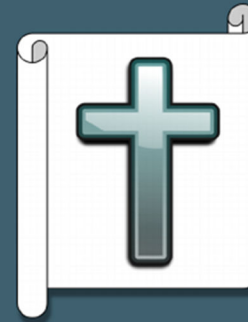


We are happy and honored that you are here! Please fill out a visitor's card and give us a chance to get to know you. If you have any questions about anything said or done in Bible class or worship, please ask. We seek to give a Bible answer for everything we do (Colossians 3:17; 1 Peter 3:15; 4:11).

Privileged to Serve



Announcements—Leo Derrick
Song Leading—Sunday—David Howze; Wednesday—Caleb Howze
Serving the Lord's Supper
Head: Glenn Howze; Helpers: Wilfred Derrick, Mark Howze, Johnny Moss
Lord's Supper PM
Head: Glenn Howze
Helper: Mark Howze
Scripture Reading—Ezra Howze



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Meeting Times

Sundays:

10AM Bible Class
11AM Worship
6PM Worship

Wednesdays:

7PM Bible Class

Other Information

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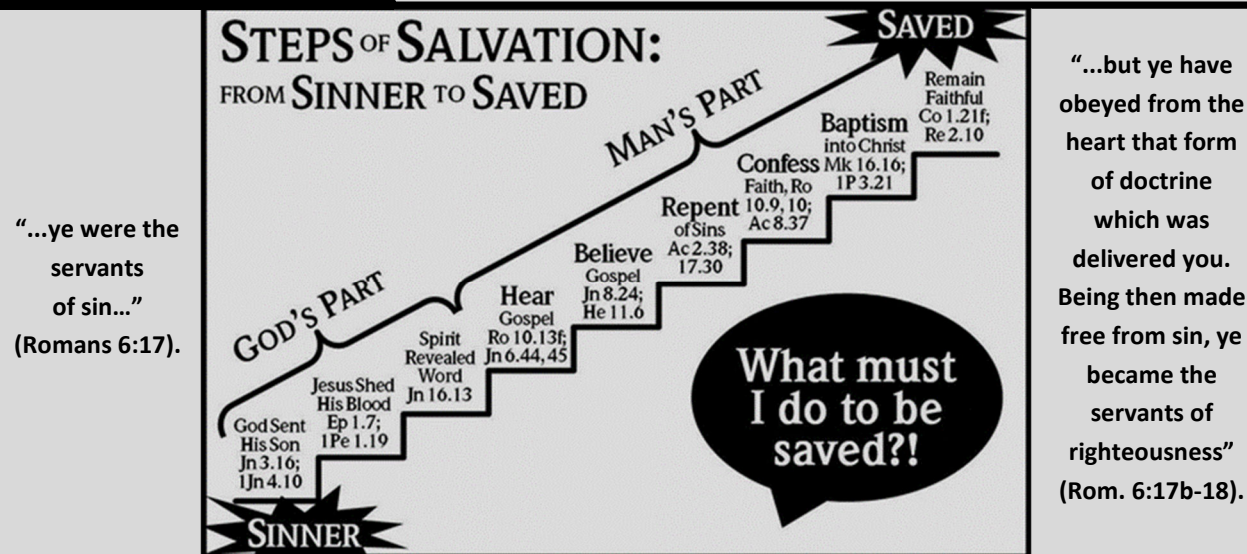
10 Ways to Resist Temptation

Part 2 of 2, By Jason Patrick Hilburn

7. Resist by Remembering Redemption's Price. Christians would do well to remember the price that had to be paid because of sin. The sinless Son of God was tortured unspeakably, mocked, spat upon, and crucified in terrible agony, so that "...His visage was so marred more than any man..." (Isa. 52:14; 53:3-11; Mt. 27:1-56). Every time Satan presents temptation before us as a beautifully wrapped gift waiting to be opened, our minds should go to the horrors of the cross. If not, and we give in to temptation, we shame our Lord. Those who sin willfully after becoming followers of Christ "crucify to themselves the Son of God afresh, and put him to an open shame" (Heb. 6:6; cf. 10:26-31). The very thought of bringing shame to Christ beyond that which He has already suffered and bringing grief into the throne room of Heaven should halt the desire to sin (Gen. 6:6; Eph. 4:30; Heb. 3:10, 17).

8. Resist by Remembering the Source of Sin. Some would say that Satan is the source of sin, but he is not really the source of our sins. Although Satan is called the tempter (Mt. 4:3), he cannot force anyone to do anything. He is neither omniscient nor omnipotent. Satan is called our enemy (1 Pet. 5:8), but each person is responsible for his own choices, not Satan (Jam. 1:13-15). Christians should realize that we can be our own worst enemy if we are not careful. It would

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therefore be wise to know ourselves very well. Being aware of our own weaknesses will help us avoid sin and fortify ourselves against temptation.

9. Resist by Remembering the Results of Sin. Disobedience to the Creator is the cause of all the sickness, pain, and death in this world (Gen. 3; Rom. 5:12). Sin can be a leaven that spreads to others, endangering their souls, and sometimes results of sin can linger even after forgiveness is received. Living in sin leads to the worst result of all—eternal torment involving eternal hopelessness, crying, darkness, and being trapped with Satan and his angels, “where their worm dieth not, and the fire is not quenched” (Mk. 9:43-48). To choose sin is to choose eternal punishment instead of eternal bliss, darkness instead of light, filth instead of purity, and to be with Satan instead of Christ.

10. Resist by Remembering the Reward. The greatest place of all awaits the faithful! No more pain, sickness, sorrow, or death! Heaven is where God wants everyone to be (1 Tim. 2:3, 4; 2 Pet. 3:9). In fact, God wants us in Heaven so badly that He paid the greatest price to make it possible, sending His only Son to endure the suffering and death that we deserve. He did not have to do that (Rom. 5:8-10). We did not do anything to deserve it, and we never will deserve it (Lk. 17:10; Eph. 2:8). Even so, blessings beyond what we can currently understand are awaiting the faithful. Since a relatively small amount of information about Heaven is revealed in the Bible, it seems that God is waiting to surprise His faithful in ways not yet fully revealed. Consider this: The God who created this incredible, beautiful universe, the God who gave us the ability to feel emotions such as deep love and tremendous joy, has even better things prepared for us! Just to be in the presence of God will be greater than anything man can experience in this universe, and Christians should be extremely excited about going there!

All of this should motivate men to love God and serve Him faithfully, but if a properly baptized child of God does commit a sin, he should immediately repent and pray to the Father for forgiveness in Jesus' name (Jn. 16:23; Acts 8:22-24; 1 Jn. 1:7-9). It would be tragic if children of God stopped taking sin seriously. Resisting temptation must be the Christian's fight until death, and, like Paul and so many others, through Christ we can prevail! (Rom. 8:31-39; Php. 4:13; 2 Tim. 4:6-8; Heb. 11). *JasonsBibleBlog.com*

Atheism Does Not Bring Happiness

By Bob Winton

It has been reported that the famous infidel Voltaire said, “I wish I had never been born.” He spent his life in unbelief, and did not find happiness.

Lord Byron, who spent his life in sinful pleasure, said, “The worm, the canker, and the grief are mine alone.” Happiness is not to be found in sinful pleasure.

Money does not produce happiness or peace of mind, for one of the world's richest men, Jay Gould, said “I suppose I am the most miserable man on earth.”

Happiness does not come with military glory, or position, or fame. But happiness and peace of mind and satisfaction belong to those who trust in the Lord. He tells us, “In the world you shall have tribulation: but be of good cheer; I have overcome the world” (John 16:33). Since Jesus our Savior is the conqueror of this world and has opened the way into the next world, and since his faithful followers have the promise of entering into that better place, why should we not be happy even now?

A Few Words from Jason

I was saddened to hear of brother Robert R. Taylor, Jr.'s passing. He was a great encouragement to me and many others, and he will be missed by many.

On a much happier note, three preachers from various denominational churches who attend our weekly online classes to India realized they were not saved the way the Bible says and that they have not been teaching the Truth, so they decided to change and do what is right! (Acts 2:37-41, 47; 18:24-26; 19:1-5; 22:16). May God be glorified, and may God bless their efforts to go teach the Truth to others, including the congregations with whom they have been working.

The new school in India is also going well, and it's already been three months since it began. The number of students has increased from 30 to 45, and hopefully a way will be found to accommodate even more to join. Online classes to Pakistan are also continuing weekly and going well. They are very excited every week to learn and ask questions.