

## Prayer List



### Of Our Number

- ◆ Janice Carnley—Shoal Creek
- ◆ Jennifer Derrick—upcoming tests
- ◆ Wilfred Derrick—health problems
- ◆ Jeff Mashburn—health problems

### Others in Need

- ◆ Shannon Burn—in hospital
- ◆ Danny Davis—back pain
- ◆ Louise Douglas—health problems
- ◆ Elocio (Chuck Arnett's father-in-law)—health problems
- ◆ Joyce Faulk—health problems
- ◆ Dawn Holloway—at home, IV meds
- ◆ Dianne Johnson—rare cancer
- ◆ Tony Jones—Parkinson's
- ◆ Mary Milsted—lung cancer
- ◆ Donna Parrish (Jason Hilburn's mother)—COPD, chronic bronchitis
- ◆ Thomas Patterson—health issues
- ◆ Shane Price—cancer
- ◆ Larry Shapley—hospice care
- ◆ Melanie Skinner—cancer
- ◆ Flood victims in Pakistan

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- ◆ Pray for Christians overseas, such as those facing persecution in Pakistan and certain parts of India.
- ◆ Pray for peace, pray for the bereaved, the persecuted, sick/suffering, civil leaders, military, 1st responders, sound Bible schools, the lost, enemies.

## Events

**September 1**  
*Meal after AM Worship*

**September 25**  
*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** 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).

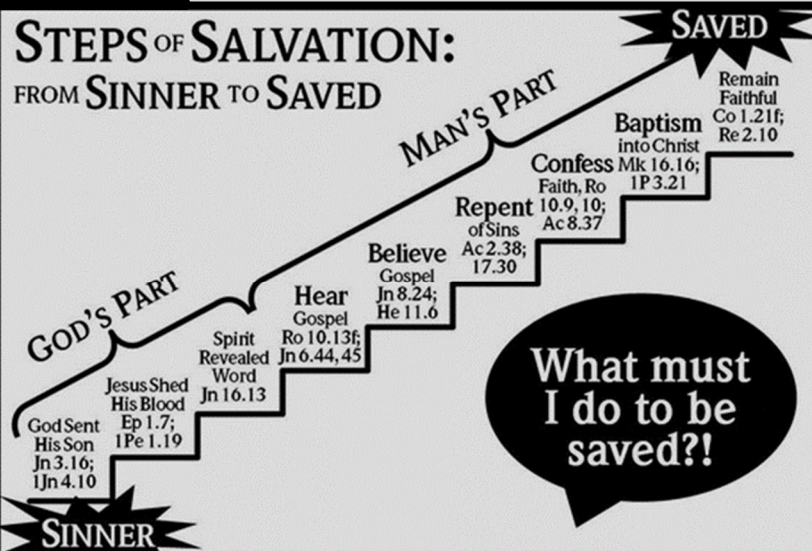
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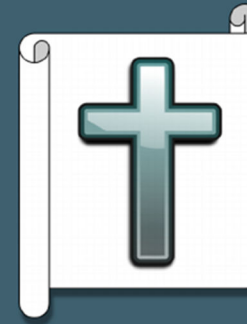
**Announcements:** Leo Derrick  
**Song Leading:** Sunday—David Howze; Wednesday—Mark Howze  
**Serving the Lord's Supper**  
 Head: Glenn Howze; Helpers: Ethan Howze, Ezra Howze, Mark Howze  
**Lord's Supper PM**  
 Head: Leo Derrick  
 Helper: Caleb Howze  
**Bible Reading:** Brett (AM), Caleb S. (PM)

## 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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September 1, 2024

## Meeting Times

### Sundays:

- 10AM Bible Class
- 11AM Worship
- 6PM Worship

### Wednesdays:

- 7PM Bible Class

## Other Information

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## The Christ and Melchizedek

Genesis 14:17-20; Psalm 110:4; Hebrews 5:5-6,10; Hebrews 6:20-7:22

The type and anti-type principle found between Melchizedek [Melchisedec, KJV] and the Christ is clearly set forth by the inspired penman of the book of Hebrews, "if therefore perfection were by the Levitical priesthood, (for under it the people received the law,) what further need was there that another priest should rise after the order of Melchisedec, and not be called after the order of Aaron," (Hebrews 7:11).

The historical account of Melchizedek is recorded in Genesis 14:17-20. Abraham had fought and conquered the forces of Chedorlaomer, who had spoiled Sodom and Gomorrah and had abducted Lot and taken his goods [perhaps including family members and/or servants of Lot (Genesis 14:12,16)]. Upon Abraham's return with what had been stolen, he was met in the valley of Shaveh by the king of Sodom, (Genesis 14:17). Melchizedek also met Abraham, (Genesis 14:18). Melchizedek was the king of Salem and the priest of God; he brought to Abraham, bread and wine (Genesis 14:18). Abraham received a blessing from Melchizedek and he also blessed God Almighty, who had given victory to Abraham over the invading armies from the north, (Genesis 14:19-20). After being blessed, Abraham paid a tenth of the goods; or a tithe, to Melchizedek, (Genesis 14:20).

The next and only other Old Testament reference to Melchizedek is found in a psalm of David, "The LORD hath sworn, and will not repent, Thou art a priest for ever after the order of Melchizedek," (Psalm 10:4). David declares by

inspiration that God has sworn that there is a priesthood, like unto Melchizedek's, that is for ever.

The Hebrews writer clearly explains the correlation between Jesus and Melchizedek. The following is a brief look at those points:

#### **Melchizedek**

- King of Righteousness (Hebrews 7:2)
- King of Salem or peace (Hebrews 7:2)
- Priest of God (Hebrews 7:1)
- Both king and priest (Hebrews 7:1-3)
- No Biblical genealogical record (Hebrews 7:3)
- No Biblical record of birth / death (Hebrews 7:3)
- Not of the seed of Aaron (Hebrews 7:6)
- Greater than Levite priests (Hebrews 7:6-9)
- Continual priesthood (Hebrews 7:3)

#### **Christ**

- Rules in righteousness (Hebrews 1:8)
- Prince of peace (Isaiah 9:6-7)
- High priest of God (Hebrews 6:20; Hebrews 8:1)
- King and Priest (Zechariah 6:12-13)
- Divine, no human origin (John 1:1-3,14)
- Eternal, no beginning or end (John 8:58; Revelation 1:8)
- Born of the tribe of Judah (Hebrews 7:14)
- Greater than Aaron and Melchizedek (Hebrews 7:26-28)
- Unchanging and everlasting priesthood (Hebrews 7:24-25; Ephesians 3:11)

The priesthood of Melchizedek gave us a foreshadowing of the eternal priesthood of the Christ. Melchizedek was a great man, "Now consider how great this man was, unto whom even the patriarch Abraham gave the tenth of the spoils," (Hebrews 7:4). Thanks be to God that our High Priest is so much, "better," "By so much was Jesus made a surety of a better testament...For such a high priest became us, who is holy, harmless, undefiled, separate from sinners, and made higher than the heavens; Who needeth not daily, as those high priests, to offer up sacrifice, first for his own sins, and then for the people's: for this he did once, when he offered up himself. For the law maketh men high priests which have infirmity; but the word of the oath, which was since the law, maketh the Son, who is consecrated for evermore." (Hebrews 7:22, 26-28).  
—John Rose

## **Appropriate Apparel**

We all need to realize that our assemblies when we come together as a corporate body of believers to worship God are very sacred gatherings. While we live in the presence of Jehovah God at all times our periods of worship are the occasions when we come before God in reverence through prescribed avenues of worship coupled with hearts filled with sincerity, praise and love.

The apostle Paul in dealing with such assemblies gave some regulations regarding the leader-ship of men and even the dress of women (See I Timothy 2:8-15). It is the last point I want to discuss in this article. In I Timothy 2:9 Paul wrote, "In like manner that women adorn themselves in modest apparel, with shamefacedness and sobriety..." The word modest (*kosmios*) refers to that apparel which is orderly, well-arranged and decent. While the Holy Scriptures do not regulate fashion, the principle of modesty is considered by the inspired writer.

A real problem seemed to have been prevalent relative to dress, especially a woman's dress, when Paul wrote I Timothy. He specifically mentioned that women were not to emphasize the outward appearance in the extreme, that is, the wearing of gold or pearls or costly raiment when the most important aspect of a person's life should be godliness and good works (I Timothy 2:9, 10). In other words, the problem in Paul's day in the matter of apparel in the assemblies was that of 'over-dressing'.

Generally speaking the problem in our congregations today is the opposite; that is of 'under-dressing' by many of our ladies. Christian women should be very sensitive to this problem. It is recognized that there are some items of clothing that could be suitable for play and family outings and the like that would be out of place during an assembly designed for worship to God and the edification of the church. Attire that would be too revealing like low cut dresses and blouses, short skirts, shorts or tight apparel which emphasizes the erotic parts of the female anatomy should be shunned by Christian ladies. Mothers should set the proper example in this matter and properly train their daughters in the area of modest apparel and especially in regards to dressing for periods of worship.

Then there is the matter of influence. What do others think of me? What kind of impression am I making? Do people regard me as being spiritual or worldly because of my dress? Would I cause a person to think evil because of the brevity of my apparel? Might I not influence others to wear even less clothing by my example? Immodest dress implies that one is drawing too much attention to oneself. That would be the case whether one wore too much jewelry and expensive apparel as mentioned by Paul or too little clothing in a situation that would be considered immodest. This is often a problem that is prevalent among our congregations, especially in the summer months.

Our ladies should give prayerful consideration regarding this particular area of Christian influence.  
—Raymond Elliott