

Prayer List



Of Our Number

- ♦ Janice Carnley—Shoal Creek
- ♦ Jennifer Derrick—surgery recovery
- ♦ Mariah Hilburn—expecting, nausea
- ♦ Jeff Mashburn—health problems

Others in Need

- ♦ Travis Barrow—rare condition
- ♦ Phil Benson—kidney dialysis
- ♦ Louise Douglas—health problems
- ♦ Joyce Faulk—health problems
- ♦ Jennifer Foxworth—health problems
- ♦ Melba Fuqua—health problems
- ♦ Annette Garrett - Non-H. lymphoma
- ♦ Kiptyn Gillis—non-cancerous tumor
- ♦ Janice Godwin—surgery recovery
- ♦ Jamie Goodman—colon cancer
- ♦ Howard & Elizabeth Grace—health
- ♦ Andrew Hickman—health problems
- ♦ Shahid Iqbal—struck by a brick
- ♦ Tony Jones—memorial Nov. 2 3PM
- ♦ John Moss—surgery recovery
- ♦ Stacey Scherl—surgery

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- ♦ Melanie Skinner—cancer treatment
- ♦ 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, the lost, enemies.
- ♦ Pray for our evangelistic efforts and for more opportunities.

Events

If the Lord wills...

Nov. 2
Meal after AM Worship

Nov. 26
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).

Privileged to Serve



Announcements: Glenn Howze
Song Leading: Sunday—David Howze; Wednesday—Mark Howze
Serving the Lord's Supper
Head: Johnny Moss; Helpers: Leo Derrick, Ethan Howze, Mark Howze
Lord's Supper PM
Head: Glenn Howze
Helper: Rick Hemphill
Bible Reading: Trey Miles



THE BAKER BULLETIN

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Meeting Times

Sundays:

10AM Bible Class
11AM Worship
6PM Worship

Wednesdays:

7PM Bible Class

Other Information

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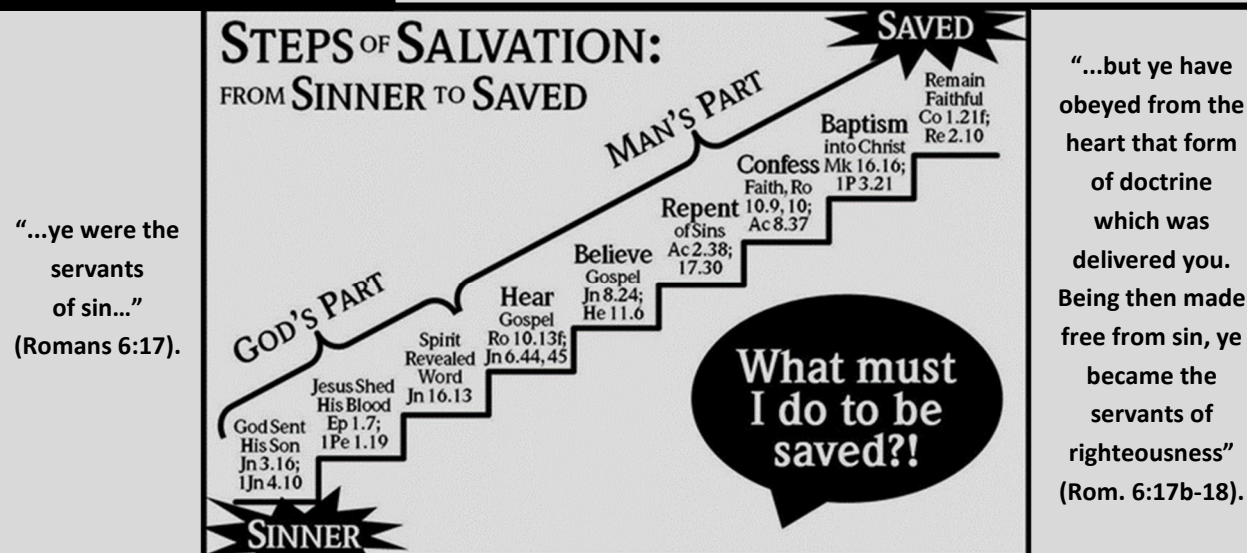
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EXAMPLES OF CONVERSION IN THE BOOK OF ACTS

CONVERSION ACCOUNT	BELIEVE	REPENT	CONFESS	BE BAPTIZED	AFTER BAPTISM
3000 saved (Acts 2)	Believed (v37, 41)	Repented (v38)		Baptized (v38-41)	Remission of sins; Saved; Added to church (38-41,47)
Samaritans (Acts 8)	Believed (v12)			Baptized (v12)	
Simon (Acts 8)	Believed (v13)			Baptized (v13)	
Ethiopian (Acts 8)	Believed (v37)		Confessed (v37)	Baptized (v38)	Rejoiced (v39)
Saul (Acts 9, 22)	Believed (9:6)			Baptized (9:18)	Sins washed away (22:16)
Cornelius (Acts 10, 11)	Believed (10:43)	Repented (11:18)		Baptized (10:48)	Accepted by God (10:35)
Lydia (Acts 16)	Believed (v14)			Baptized (v15)	Was judged to be faithful (v15)
Jailer (Acts 16)	Believed (v31, 34)			Baptized (v33)	Rejoiced (v34)
Corinthians (Acts 18)	Believed (v8)			Baptized (v8)	Baptized into one body (1 Cor. 12:13)
Ephesians (Acts 19)	Believed (v4)	Repented (v4)		Baptized (v5)	Sanctified, cleansed (Eph. 5:26)

One must hear the Word of God (Romans 10:17)	One must believe in Christ (John 8:24)	One must repent of sins (Acts 17:30)	One must confess Christ (Matthew 10:32)	One must be baptized into Christ (Galatians 3:27)	In order to be saved (Hebrews 5:9)
The Great Commission		"...make disciples of all the nations, baptizing them..." (Matthew 28:19 ASV) "He that believeth and is baptized shall be saved..." (Mark 16:16)			

STEPS OF SALVATION: FROM SINNER TO SAVED



The Organizational Structure of the Church

CHRIST IS THE HEAD
OF THE CHURCH UNIVERSAL
THE BODY
(Ephesians 1:22-23)



THE LOCAL CHURCH

Elders

(I Peter 5:1-4, Titus 1:5-9, Acts 20:17-30)

- Oversee all of the local work
- Shepherd the flock of God
- Keep the church pure
- Serve and protect each member from the snare of Satan and apostasy

Deacons

(I Timothy 3:8-13, Acts 6:1-6, Philippians 1:1)

- Execute the command of another (the elders)
- Placed in charge of specific jobs – elders oversee the work to make sure it is done by God's authority
- Carry out all work that would otherwise hinder the growth of the local church (care for the widows, needy, etc.)

Evangelists

(II Timothy 4:1-4, II Timothy 2:2, Ephesians 4:11-16, Jude 3)

- Take the saving message of Christ to the local area and to the world
- Help edify the local church with the "good news" of Christ (strengthen the saints, build up the body)
- Defend the faith (also a job of each member)
- Train others to do the same

All Members of the Local Church

(Matthew 28:18-20, Titus 2, Hebrews 10:22-25)

- Take the saving message of Christ to the local area, especially others they personally know in the world (fulfill the mission).
 - Older women – be examples to younger women and teach them
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 - Younger women – heed the instruction of the older women
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- } Encourage one another daily
- **EXPAND THE BORDERS OF THE KINGDOM OF GOD – SAVE SOULS!**

Why the Thief on the Cross is Not the Pattern for Salvation Today

By Jason Patrick Hilburn

- **The New Covenant was not yet in effect.** It came into effect after Christ's death (*Heb. 9:15–17; Col. 2:14*). The thief was forgiven under the Old Covenant, not the New Covenant of Christ. We now live under a different covenant with different conditions of forgiveness.
- **The Great Commission had not yet begun.** Jesus had not yet commanded belief and baptism for the salvation of all nations (*Mt. 28:19–20; Mk. 16:15–16*).
- **Jesus still had authority on earth to forgive sins personally.** He could directly pardon the thief just as He had the paralytic (*Mk. 2:10; Lk. 5:20–24*). Now men must obey His New Testament Law (*Heb. 9:15–17; Jam. 1:22-25*).
- **The thief could not obey the Gospel or confess faith in the risen Lord.** Christ's death, burial, and resurrection—the very core of the Gospel message—had not yet occurred (*1 Cor. 15:1–4*); therefore, he could neither confess belief that "God has raised Him from the dead" (*Rom. 10:9–10*) nor be baptized into Christ's death, burial, and resurrection, to become "free from sin" (*Rom. 6:3–5, 16–18*).
- **After the cross, no one was told to be saved like the thief.** The people in Acts 2 were neither saved at the point of faith alone nor told to pray for salvation. After believing, they were told to "repent and be baptized, every one of you, in the name of Jesus Christ for the forgiveness of sins" (*Acts 2:38; Acts 22:16*). **This remains the pattern for all nations until the end of the world** (*Mt. 28:19–20; Mk. 16:15–16; Acts 2, 8, 9, 10, 16, 18, 19, 22*). Both blood and water were present in Christ's death (*Jn. 19:34*), and both are in water baptism—the sinner is "buried with Him by baptism" into that death, contacting the saving blood of Christ (*Rom. 6:3–5, 16–18*). In that moment, God forgives sins and makes the sinner alive together with Christ—not by human merit, but through "faith in the working of God" (*Col. 2:11–13; Acts 2:38; 22:16; Gal. 3:27; Eph. 2:8–9; 5:25–26; 1 Pet. 3:21*).

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