

**GOD'S PLAN FOR SAVING US**

God's Grace - Ephesians 2:8  
God's Love and Mercy - Ephesians 2:4  
Christ's Blood Shed – Romans 5:9-11  
The Gospel – Romans 1:16

**Our Response of Faith:**

Believe - Acts 16:31; Mark 16:15-16  
Repentance – Luke 13:3  
Confession – Romans 10:10  
Be baptized for remission of sins –  
Acts 2:38; I Peter 3:21  
Be faithful, committed, walk in light –  
Revelation 2:10; I John 1:7-10

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being fulfilled. (Acts 3:24) Jesus mentioned that the prophecies written about Him were being fulfilled. In Luke 24:44 our Lord stated, "All things must be fulfilled that were written in the Law of Moses, and the Prophets, and the Psalm concerning me." (NKJV). The written truth must be looked at and used correctly. Paul told Timothy the truth must be divided correctly. (2 Tim. 3:15) Often today the truth on any matter may be shaded to fit a particular platform or agenda. Could that happen with the Bible as well?

We can know the truth about our salvation and what God's will for us is today. We need not trust any source other than the word of God. God wants us to know it. We don't need to doubt it. It can save us and put us in eternity with Him. Jesus said "Sanctify them by your truth. Your word is truth." (John 17:17 NKJV)

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Religion certainly must be coupled with sincerity, but a person can be religiously honest and yet, like that patient, be in an extremely unsafe spiritual condition.

Saul of Tarsus was sincere during the time the blood of Christians dripped from his hands. After his conversion to Christ he said, "I have lived in all good conscience before God until this day" (Acts 23:1); and, "Indeed, I myself thought I must do many things contrary to the name of Jesus of Nazareth" (Acts 26:9).

The plain teaching of the Book of God is "a lamp to my feet, and a light to my path" (Psalm 119:105). "There is a way that seems right to a man, but its end is the way of death" (Proverbs 14:12).

Make absolutely sure you are right, and then sincerely practice it.

—George F. Gaines



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**When Is "The Truth" The Truth?**

Bill Brandstatter

Some investigations are going on about classified documents. One investigation concerns former President Donald Trump. The other one concerns current President Joe Biden. Both claim they did nothing wrong; however, others are claiming they did. What is the truth?

**The truth is what is known.** Jesus stated, "You shall know the truth, and the truth shall make you free." (John 8:32) Every person can know that saving truth the same way. There can be no doubt about it. We have it in writing. God desires that all men be saved and come to knowledge of the truth. (1 Tim. 2:4). In our world of relative morality, we can know for certainty that there is a standard that is reliable. We must use the right authoritative standard in determining what is known.

**The truth is what is proclaimed.** Often, we don't want to hear the truth. When Felix heard the truth from Paul, he trembled. Later Paul wrote, "Have I therefore become your enemy because I tell you the truth?" (Gal. 4:16) Paul was just a messenger. Today we need to proclaim the truth in love. (Eph. 4:15) We need to love God and love our fellow man enough for the message of truth to reach their hearts.

**The truth is what is written.** This follows the other two points quite well. This is a well-known fact. "Put it in writing" is often a statement made to ensure security. When we buy anything, it is always good to put it in writing. I still request this today when I get a call of solicitation. God wanted His Word written down. Paul assures us of the veracity of that which was written before in Rom. 15:4. God had the Old Testament written for "our admonition." (1 Cor. 10:11) Peter assured his listeners that what was written by the prophets was truthful and was

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## NEWS & NOTES...

### REMEMBER IN PRAYER

Martha Cyphers is to have a knee replacement tomorrow (Monday); Lois Edwards recovering at home from a fractured C1 in her neck; Jennifer Hatcher is recuperating from knee replacement surgery; Carolyn Russell; Sue Bunnell; Dennis Hatcher recovering at home from broken bones in his foot; Jackie Coop fell and broke three ribs; Willie Cyphers has not felt well for past few days; Mike Thompson; Fran Mears; Laura Brooks; Joey Palmore; Becky Bush; Isaiah Richardson (Bessie Brooks' great-grandson); Daryl Lowe had surgery Thurs for colon cancer. He will have chemo to treat lymph nodes that were positive; Dixie Napier's son Randy is undergoing treatments; John Carter at home; Gayla Fudge Graham will have treatments as a precaution; Victoria Adams recovering at home from a broken leg; Helen Edwards; Mary Thompson; Parker Bybee; Bobby Pedigo; our local schools, students & staff; first responders

### IN THE HOSPITAL

Becky Hatcher is in the Medical Center at Caverna in Room 118; visitors are welcome. On Tues., Thurs., and Saturdays she is transported to the Pavilion for dialysis.

Hal Garland member at Mt. Vernon is in the Med Center in BG. Hal was a member here years ago and is loved by all of us.

### PRAY FOR MISSIONS WE SUPPORT

Nepal and Bangladesh - Michael Brooks  
House To House/Heart To Heart local mailing  
Manna Project

### HIGHLAND RIDGE Glasgow

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### BARREN COUNTY HEALTHCARE Glasgow

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### SHANTI NIKETAN HOSPICE HOME Glasgow

Ann Schuler

### SUNDAY MORNING BIBLE CLASS

We are in our Spring Quarter on the theme: Gospel Personages. Lesson 3 is *John the Baptist* Luke 3:7-22 Wayne continues to serve as the teacher.

### PREACHING TODAY

Wayne Hatcher at 11 am *"More identifying marks of the church of Christ"* and Danny McCain at 5 pm

### WEDNESDAY EVENING BIBLE STUDY

This Wed. will be our monthly singing and devotional at 6:00.

### OUR RADIO PROGRAM

We are sponsoring *"In Search of the Lord's Way"* heard on our local radio station WLOC 101.7 FM and 1150 AM each Sunday morning from 8:30 - 9:00 with **Phil Sanders**. Prayers for this work as we sow the seed of the gospel

### RECOMMENDED TV PROGRAMS

*"Light of the World"* Lehman Ave. Church of Christ in Bowling Green Viewed on SCRTC cable channel 7 from 6:30-7:00 am

*"In Search of the Lord's Way"* with Phil Sanders carried by WNKY TV on channel 7 on SCRTC cable - Sun 7-7:30 am

GBN seen on our local SCRTC cable on 113

### MORE AREA EVENTS

March 26-29 Columbia Church of Christ in Columbia, KY with Todd Houston on the theme of *"Pursuing the Fulness of Christ"*

March 31-April 2 South Green St. church of Christ Spring Gospel Meeting with TJ Kirk

April 20-23 Lehman Ave. church of Christ in Bowling Green, KY *EQUIPPED - PRACTICAL CHRISTIANITY: Studies in the book of James*

### TEST YOUR BIBLE IQ

Without looking, can you name the 3 books in the bible that begins with the letter "N"?

Answer to our last question:

Philemon

## Everyone

by Lance Cordle

People who saw the animated feature film "Beauty and the Beast" will undoubtedly remember the song with the same title as the movie, performed by Peabo Bryson and Celine Dion. Since that time, the name of Celine Dion has been related to great music and her voice has been admired by many people. She has performed concerts throughout the world and sold millions of records. It has not been unusual to hear her name in the news over the past few years as well. In December of 2022, Celine announced she had been diagnosed with the rare disorder known as Stiff-Person Syndrome. It is a painful neurological disorder and there is no cure for it. Celine is fifty-eight years old and her career is in jeopardy because of this condition. In fact, numerous concerts she had planned for the coming months have had to be cancelled.

What is interesting to observe is the fact that most people would easily describe Celine Dion as a privileged and successful person, and have been shocked to learn that she is dealing with such a serious disorder. However, what this situation reveals is that everyone, including celebrities, deals with some sort of serious personal issue on a daily basis. As you greet the first person in your list of encounters of the day, it would not be unheard for that person to have a serious illness, a death in the family, or an emotional or physical handicap. Many other possibilities could be given and various ones with whom you come into contact daily would be

dealing with them.

Job is of course correct in his assessment of the human condition "Man who is born of a woman is of few days and full of trouble" (Job 14:1). No doubt, we are aware of our own issues and troubles, and want people to be kind to us in their interactions with us. Why not return the favor and assume that everyone you meet is in the process of dealing with emotional or physical trauma and treat them with kindness?

If you knew the cashier at the grocery store had just experienced the death of a loved one, would you not treat them with courtesy and consideration? If you knew that your supervisor or employer had just been diagnosed with cancer, would you be as quick to criticize them? If you knew your coworker was in a troubled marriage, would you be cruel in your treatment of them?

Long ago, Jesus gave us the perfect way to deal with people who are facing personal crises. It is "built" for the possibility of encountering someone who is hurting. Here is the formula: "So, whatever you wish that others would do to you, do also to them . . ." (Matthew 7:12)

We call it the Golden Rule and it still works . . . for everyone.

## SINCERITY Is Not Enough

In a New York hospital several years ago, carbon dioxide instead of oxygen was mistakenly administered to a patient.

According to the police report, the patient died almost instantly. The unfortunate patient died in spite of his sincerity and that of the hospital authorities, the anesthesiologist, and the surgeon.

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