

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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5) The early church assembled upon the first day of the week to "break bread" (Acts 20:7), a term used in regard to the breaking of the bread in the Lord's Supper, as instituted by Jesus for a memorial of His sacrifice for us (Matthew 26:28; Luke 22:19). Paul gave instructions as to the proper partaking of the Lord's supper at their assemblies (1 Corinthians 11:18-34). The breaking of bread was at their weekly assemblies, not quarterly or yearly. They were steadfast in the practice (Acts 2:42). Contributions were also made on the first day of the week (1 Corinthians 16:1-2). Scripture plainly warns of the danger that exists in a Christian's willful forsaking the assemblies of the church (Hebrews 10:35-31). The first day of the week is a very significant day for God's people.

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Yet, the humble tax collector did (Luke 18:9-14). (Luke 18:9-14).

Living a life that matters is not an accident. It's about making the right choices. Choose people over possessions. Choose giving over getting. Choose others over self. Choose God over anything or anyone else.

This Memorial Day weekend is a good time to remember how others had lived. While you are at it, take time to reflect on your own life. Are you living a life that matters? When others think of you, will they think of God?



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The First Day

by Ron Bartanen

What is the significance of the first day of the week to Christians? The Jews, under Jewish (Old Testament) Law observed the seventh-day Sabbath as a day of rest, recognizing that God rested on the 7th day of Creation, while most of those who claim to follow Christ observe the first day of the week in worship. What is the special significance of the first day?

1) Light was spoken into existence by God on the first day of Creation (Genesis 1:5). God's material creation was wrapped in darkness until light was brought into existence to dispel the darkness. On the first day of the week we give honor to Him who is "the light of the world" (John 8:12), a world in darkness without Him as its light. John wrote of Him: "In the beginning was the Word (Jesus, see v. 14), and the Word was with God, and the Word was God.... All things were made by Him, and without Him not anything was made that was made. In Him was life, and the life was the light of men" (John 1:1, 3-4). Jesus is the light of the New Creation, those delivered from the kingdom of darkness.

2) The resurrection of Jesus, "the light of the world", was upon "the first day of the week" (Luke 24:1), the third day after His death, which He had promised to be the day of His resurrection (Mark 16:9;; Luke 9:22; 24:21).

3) The recorded appearances of Jesus to His disciples were upon the first day of the week ((Matthew 28:9-10; Luke 24:33-36; John 19:26).

4) The Lord's Church had its beginning upon the first day of the week with the coming of the Holy Spirit on Pentecost Sunday (Acts 2:1-4). Note: Pentecost was always on the first day following the Sabbath (Saturday), and thus was on the first day of the week. (Leviticus 23:11, 15-16)
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NEWS & NOTES...

REMEMBER IN PRAYER

It sure was good to see Lois Edwards last Sun. morning as she has been confined at home due to a fractured C1 in her neck. She still has to keep wearing the brace; Becky Hatcher fell beside her bed Sunday morning, her back has been hurting. Wayne is her caregiver. She goes to Glasgow for dialysis; Lori Brewer still not able to have surgery yet; Sue Bunnell; Dennis Hatcher; Mark Hatcher was able to be out Sunday; Laura Brooks; Mike Thompson; Fran Mears; Joey Palmore; Becky Bush; Dixie Napier's son Randy is undergoing treatments; Daryl Lowe taking chemo treatments; Victoria Adams recovering from a broken leg; Gayla Fudge Graham; Tommy Peden (Carolyn Russell's brother) had hip replacement surgery last week; Mary Hatcher; Parker Bybee; Bobby Pedigo; Glenda Turner (friend of Wayne & Becky in Statesville, NC being treated for a type of T-Cell Lymphoma

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SUNDAY MORNING BIBLE CLASS

We are in our Spring Quarter on the theme: Gospel Personages. Lesson 13 "Judah" John 13:1-4, 21-30 38-42; Matthew 26:14-16; Matthew 27:3-8 Wayne will be the teacher.

PRAY FOR MISSION EFFORTS WE SUPPORT

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

PREACHING THIS MORNING

Wayne at 11 am "Memorial Reflections"

SUNDAY EVENING: Mike Brooks will be here at 5:00 to update us on the mission work in Nepal and Bangladesh

WEDNESDAY EVENING 6:00

This week 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**. Please pray for this work as we sow the seed of the gospel

His Lessons in June:

June 4 - "We Need the Church"

June 11 - "You Can Understand the Bible"

June 18 - "Morality"

June 25 - "Whatever?"

*NOTE: If you are unable to pick up the radio signal, you can log on to wloconline.com There are choices to listen on your computer or use the *tunein* app for you mobile devices.*

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

[This week I came across the following article in Vol. 23 #11 of House To House/Heart To Heart. It is a good summary of some of the lessons I have been preaching on Sunday mornings being a member of the church Jesus established by His shed blood (Matt. 16: 18; Acts 20:28; Ephesians 5:25; 1 Peter 1:19) - Wayne

Finding the Pearl of Great Price

Jesus said the kingdom is like a man who found a priceless pearl (Matthew 13:45-46). The kingdom is the church, so finding the right church is equivalent to finding great treasure—eternal treasure. You can identify it by the following traits:

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The New Testament Church was built by Christ and belongs to Him.

Jesus promised, "I will build My church" (Matthew 16:18). Christ is the foundation and chief cornerstone of the church (1 Corinthians 3:11; Ephesians 2:19-22). The church carries His name Romans 16:16).

The New Testament church has a specific pattern of worship (John 4:24).

They meet on the first day of the week (Sunday) (Acts 2:1; 20:7; 1 Corinthians 16:1-2; Matthew 28:1; Mark 16:1-2; John 20:1-2, 19, 26).

They partake of the Lord's supper on the first day of the week (Acts 2:42; 20:7; 1 Corinthians 11:23-25).

The New Testament church worships in prayer (Acts 2:42).

The New Testament church sings praises to God (Ephesians 5:19; Colossians 3:16).

The New Testament church is edified by the preaching of God's Word (Acts 20:7; 2 Timothy 4:2-4).

The New Testament church makes a contribution on the first day of the week (1 Corinthians 16:1-2).

The New Testament church has a specific organization.

Jesus Christ is the head (Ephesians 1:22-23; Colossians 1:18).

Each congregation has its own elders who oversee the work (Acts 14:23; 1 Peter 5:1-2; Philippians 1:1). They are called bishops or overseers (Acts 20:17, 28; Titus 1:5, 7), and shepherds or pastors (Ephesians 4:11; 1 Peter 5:1-4). The elders must meet specific qualifications (1 Timothy 3:1-7; Titus 1:5-9).

Deacons are the servants of the church (Philippians 1:1; 1 Timothy 3:8-13).

Evangelists, ministers of the Word, are preachers of the gospel (Acts 21:8; Ephesians 4:11; 2 Timothy 4:1-5).

Living A Life That Matters

by Joe Chesser

This is a weekend for remembering. It's a time to hold special services and a time for going to the cemeteries to decorate graves with flowers and pictures. We do this to remember and honor those who so gallantly defended our country's freedom with their lives. We also remember and honor those who hold a special place in our past – family, friends and other special people. We do this to keep alive in our memories those special people whose lives mattered to us.

What is it that we remember? What is it that makes a person's life live on after they have died? A popular inspirational reading captures some of what I am thinking:

"What will matter most is...

not what you bought, but what you built.

not what you got, but what you gave.

not your success, but your significance.

not that you learned, but that you taught.

not your competence, but your character.

not your memories, but the memories that live on in those who love you.

It's so easy to major in minors, to let the insignificant dominate the important. It's so easy to let making a living become more important than making a life. It's so easy to believe that what you have is more important than who you are. It's so much easier to buy gifts than it is to give yourself.

You don't have to be wealthy or talented or educated to live a life that matters. In fact, these are often the very things that prevent you from living a life that matters. Despite living in "extreme poverty," the Macedonians lived lives that mattered. The rich young ruler didn't (2 Cor. 8:1-5, Matt. 19:16-24). Though he had social status and education, the Pharisee did not choose to live a life that concluded on back page