

GOD'S PLAN FOR SAVING MAN

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
Sinner's Faith - Acts 16:31; Mark 16:15-16
Sinner's Repentance – Luke 13:3
Sinner's Confession – Romans 10:10
Sinner's Baptism – 1 Peter 3:21; Acts 2:38
Christian's Hope – Romans 8:24-25
Christian's Faithfulness and Endurance –
Revelation 2:10; 1 John 1:7-10

HORSE CAVE CHURCH OF CHRIST
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LORD'S DAY ASSIGNMENTS for today - August 2

READ SCRIPTURE:

Bryan Denison

ANNOUNCEMENTS:

Willie Cyphers

OFFICIATE:

Ken Russell

SERVE COMMUNION:

Bill Brooks David Houk
Roy Petett Matt Forbes

PREACH:

a.m. – Wayne Hatcher
p.m. – Wayne Hatcher

LEAD SINGING:

am – Phillip Carter pm – Ken Russell

ELDERS & DEACONS MEETING:

this afternoon at the building, 4:00

LADIES BIBLE CLASS:

tomorrow night at 7:00 here at the building

LADIES DAY:

Aug. 15 at South Green St. Church of Christ
in Glasgow with Teddy Copeland. Details on
Bulletin Board.

EVENING OF PRAISE:

It is time for this yearly event at the Larue Co.
Church of Christ. Andy Baker will also be
preaching. August 7, 8:00 EST/ 7:00 CST

CONGRATULATIONS:



Meagan Lee Hatcher & Christopher
Ryan James were united in mar-
riage last evening in Bowling Green,
KY. Meagan is the daughter of our
Mark & Jennifer Hatcher and granddaughter
of our Alma Reynolds.



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TIME OF SERVICES: **Sunday:** Bible Study 10 AM;
Worship 11 AM & 6 PM **Wednesday:** Bible Study 7 PM

CHURCH WEB PAGE: www.horsecavecoc.com

We gladly welcome you to our congrega-
tion, trusting that – if you are *seeking
Christ* you will find Him here, if *sorrowing*
you will receive comfort and strength
here, if *troubled in spirit* you will gain the
blessing of peace here, if *discouraged*
you will rejoice in encouragement and
hope here, if *friendless* you will find com-
panionship and Christian love here.
That these and other blessings may be
yours is our prayer.

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And Then Some!

The story is told of a prominent salesman who had come to the time of his retire-
ment. He was asked to sum up his success in three simple words. He answered,
“**And Then Some**”. He was asked what that meant?

He gave this answer. “I discovered at an early age that most of the real differ-
ences between average and top people could be explained in three words. The
top did what was expected of them ... **And Then Some**. They were thoughtful of
others; they were considerate, kind, and caring ... **And Then Some**. They met
their obligations and responsibilities fairly and squarely ... **And Then Some**. They
were dependable and faithful ... **And Then Some**. They were good friends to
their friends ... **And Then Some**. They could be counted on to carry their part of
the load ... **And Then Some**.” The Ecclesiastes writer encourages this “**And Then
Some**” attitude in Ecclesiastes 9:10, “Whatever your hand finds to do, do it with
your might...” (ESV).

The inspired Apostle Paul presents this same principle in Ephesians 6:5-8 when he
stated, “Slaves obey your human masters loyally with a proper sense of respect
and responsibility, as service rendered to Christ; not only working when you are
being watched, as if looking for human approval, but as servants of Christ consci-
entiously doing what you believe to be the will of God. Work cheerfully as if it
were for the Lord and not for a man. You may be sure that the Lord will reward
each man for good work irrespectively of whether he be slave or free” (J.B. Phil-
lips Translation). Also see Colossians 3:22-24.

The question we need to ask ourselves is: Am I a “**And Then Some**” individual in
serving the Lord? If not, then we really do need to work at putting on the “**And
Then Some**” attitude in our service to the Lord. Only in this way will the Lord be
able to declare us “successful” in the doing of His will (Matthew 7:21; Luke 6:46;
Romans 2:13; James 1:22).

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PERSONAL NEWS & NOTES...

REMEMBER IN PRAYER:

Doug Edwards; Linda Forbes; James Horton; Parker Bybee; Becca Napper; Chris Burchett; Blake Morris; Dennis Hatcher; Gerald Watt; Pat Bradford (Ruth's son); Vickie Thompson's dad, William E. Estes; Lindley Hatcher; Frankie Walters; Buddy Logsdon; Faye Guinn (member at Center); Brenda K. Thomason (member at E-town); Roger Lyons (Jean Turner's relative) in FL sustained injuries in a fall; Gladys Doyle of Cave City is in Skilled Care at T. J. Rm. 283

SYMPATHY: We extend our deepest sympathy to the family of Elmer Estes, Jr. His funeral was Thurs. He is the uncle of Vickie Thompson and 1st cousin to Paul Hogan.

FRIENDS FROM OUR COMMUNITY:

Peggy Spann; Jim Reed; Leslie Witty; Billy Ross; Roger Lile; Jeff Lile; Kay Bush; Mary Bush; Graham Rutherford (in Iraq)

SHUT-INS AT HOME:

Alma Reynolds Sally Marshall Johnalene Lancaster

HART COUNTY HEALTH CARE:

Hallie Davidson 403; Mary Edwards 502; Helen Stanley 707; Berdine Hogan 502 Alma Stilts 501

HIGHLAND RIDGE ASSISTED LIVING:

Ford Smith 164

NHC HEALTHCARE in Glasgow:

Robert Allen Edwards

MISSION WORKS WE SUPPORT:

Al Horne in South Africa
Mike Brooks in Bangladesh/Nepal
Patinya Thitathan in Thailand
Sammy Flanary – work in Europe
Danny McCain - Green Co. KY
Doka Obadiah in Nigeria, Africa
Jason Freed family going to France
Mid-South Bible Institute in Glasgow, KY

Jerry Carmichael — Grant Co. KY
Dhan Ramkelawan – Suriname, South America
International Gospel Hour – Fayetteville, TN
Gospel Broadcasting Network – Dalton, GA
HTH/HTH ministry here in Horse Cave
Local Radio programs over WLOC-1150 AM
Darrell Wallace Sunset's Satellite Schools

OUR RELATIONSHIP SEMINAR:

Last Wed. night. concluded our *Seminar on Relationships* taught by Sam Dick. He did a fabulous job, and we appreciate him taking time out of his schedule to present these lessons. Wayne recorded all the lessons on DVD except for the first one. If you would like to have a copy of the last three lessons, please let him know.

SAMMY FLANARY:

Last Sunday evening it was an honor to have Sammy & Mary Flanary with us. Bro. Flanary did an outstanding job with his lesson and report. We here at HC are truly blessed to be a part of so many wonderful mission efforts!!

THANK YOU NOTE:

To my church family,
I would like to thank you for all the cards, cookies, and especially the prayers on my behalf, while I was away at Governor's Scholars. I appreciate all of the love and encouragement that I received. You all have a special place in my heart. In Christian Love, Dylan

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TEST YOUR BIBLE IQ:

Which church or congregation tolerated the heresy of the Nicolaitans?

The answer to last week's question was: Miletus, Acts 20:17-38

Emerging Church Movement and Absolute Truth

by Kevin Cauley

In August of 1991 my wife and I visited Vicksburg, Mississippi on our honeymoon. One sight we could not miss was the Mississippi River. The United States Geological Service estimates that approximately 373 billion gallons of water flow by Vicksburg every day. That water comes from the thousands of lakes, rivers, streams, and creeks that flow into it creating the river's distinctively muddy character.

Christians today live in a world that, not unlike the muddy Mississippi, is influenced by multiple streams of ideas, thoughts, and philosophies. This period has been characterized as postmodern because of its anti-rational thinking and its complete acceptance of any and all ideas regardless of how ridiculous they may seem. This is illustrated for us in the chorus of a Charlie Daniels' song entitled, "Muddy Mississippi." "Everybody is alright / Ain't nobody uptight / Dancing in the moonlight / Muddy Mississippi roll on."

It should not surprise us that some are placing a special emphasis upon taking the gospel to the postmodern world. This effort is known as the "Emerging Church." It is a pan-denominational effort to engage the postmodern world around us with the gospel, but with a subtle twist. The "Emerging Church" wants to do this with the acceptance of postmodern presuppositions.

"Emerging Church" adherents do not believe that we ought to characterize the message of the gospel as either true or false. This, they claim, buys into a failed system of knowledge. Instead, they seek to engage the postmodern culture "non-confrontationally." This entails that we simply sit down to have a "conversation" about things; no one is right or wrong; no one is exhorted to give up false doctrine and embrace truth. All ideas and philosophies are equally legitimized and somehow the postmodern culture is evangelized.

It reminds me of the 1990 movie "Pretty Woman," in which a rich businessman hires a prostitute to act as his escort. During the course of their relationship, the businessman ends up realizing that there is more to life than money; the prostitute ends up leaving her life of sex for money. Both are somehow redeemed from their formerly wasted lives without condemning or being condemned.

In that regard, the "Emerging Church" movement is analogous to evangelizing a prostitute by fornicating with her. While that seems harsh, some in this movement would accept that analogy as an accurate characterization. The only "evils" in society are defined as things that cause human suffering and Christianity is simply equated with an effort to solve social problems such as hunger, homelessness, and racism.

Some Christians have even been caught up in this kind of thinking. They need to be reminded that Jesus didn't die for the philosophies of men, but for man's salvation from the philosophies of men (1 Corinthians 2:1-5). Jesus proclaimed His message as "truth" (John 8:32) and severely chastised those who did not believe it (John 8:44-45).

The disciples confessed Jesus as the one that they knew and believed to be the Holy One of God (John 6:69). They died willing to confront a similarly pluralistic culture with the absolute truth that Jesus was the way and the gospel was the truth. If we, as Christians, are unwilling to stand up for the absolute truth of the resurrection of Jesus, then we've been evangelized instead of evangelizing.

The muddy waters of the Mississippi are broad and deep, but it is impossible to see anything clearly when surrounded by them. If we surrender truth to engage the postmodern world with Christianity, we've surrendered the whole war. Let us not seek to be conformed to the world, but transformed out of it (Romans 12:1-2).