

## 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**  
120 Cave Street  
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## LORD'S DAY ASSIGNMENTS

for today - August 30

### READ SCRIPTURE:

Wayne Hatcher

### ANNOUNCEMENTS:

Willie Cyphers

### OFFICIATE:

Ken Russell

### SERVE COMMUNION:

Bill Brooks David Houk  
Roy Petett Matt Forbes

### PREACH:

a.m. – Wayne Hatcher

p.m. – Ron Kretz

### LEAD SINGING:

am – BA Fudge pm – Phillip Carter

## THOSE TO SERVE IN SEPT.:

### READ SCRIPTURE:

6 – Willie Cyphers

13 – Leon Seaton

20 – David Houk

27 – Wayne Hatcher

### ANNOUNCEMENTS:

Leon Seaton

### OFFICIATE:

Bryan Denison

### SERVE COMMUNION:

Rob Bybee Bobby Bybee

Mark Hatcher Chris Burchett

### LEAD SINGING:

6 – am – Ken Russell pm – BA Fudge

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Worship 11 AM & 6 PM **Wednesday:** Bible Study 7 PM

**CHURCH WEB PAGE:** [www.horsecavecoc.com](http://www.horsecavecoc.com)

We gladly welcome you to our congregation, 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 companionship and Christian love here. That these and other blessings may be yours is our prayer.

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## Sin Lies At the Door by Jeff S. Smith

When Cain saw that his brother Abel's sacrifice was lawful and accepted while his was rejected because it was not done in faith, he became angry and frowned at God. The Lord replied directly to the man: "If you do well, will you not be accepted? And if you do not do well, sin lies at the door. And its desire is for you, but you should rule over it" (Genesis 4:7).

How well we all know that sin lies at the door. Today, it seems that temptation lies around every corner. We wake up in the morning and turn on the radio and are tempted to laugh at the immoral musings of drive-time disc jockeys. We switch on the television and are confronted with enticements to drink beer, play the lottery and buy raunchy videos. We hit the road where every other driver out there is either a moron (those who drive any slower than I do) or a maniac (those who drive any faster) and we are tempted to curse, gesture or cut them off. We arrive at work where gossip and innuendo are as actively pursued as actual business. Well, that's enough to make the point ...

Truly, sin lies at the door, but the devil does not have a key. He only gains entry to our lives and hearts when we invite him in. Sometimes he meets us at Blockbuster, though, and offers his own suggestions about which movies to rent. You can hear him: "That movie probably does not have too much profanity, nudity and sexual content. Go ahead!"

Other times, he plays on our emotions to get invited in. "Everybody's doing it. Who will know?" Knock, knock.

Cain let the tempter in through his pride and lawlessness. Judas Iscariot let him in through his greed and selfishness. We let him in through our foolishness and false sense of security.

Ephesians 4:27 warns us not to give place, or opportunity, to the devil. When he knocks, keep the door to your heart securely latched in prayer and meditation. His desire is to reclaim you in his prison of lost souls but God says you can bar the door through his power. Even as he presses his shoulder against the door, stand fast against it. Opening it even a crack is all a snake needs to slither in.

## PERSONAL NEWS & NOTES...

### **REMEMBER IN PRAYER:**

Doug Edwards; Linda Forbes; James Horton; Parker Bybee; Becca Napper; Chris Burchett; Lindley Hatcher; Blake Morris; Dennis Hatcher; Janice Bybee; Pat Bradford (Ruth's son); Vickie Thompson's dad, William E. Estes; Frankie Walters; Buddy Logsdon; Roger Lyons (Jean Turner's relative) in FL; Larry Glass, Sr. is in Vanderbilt Hosp. recovering from an injury; Katherine Wright; Becky Hatcher, Mary & Becca Piercy have been sick all this week.

### **SYMPATHY:**

We extend our deepest sympathy to the family of Cleo Davidson King

### **FRIENDS FROM OUR COMMUNITY:**

Jim Reed; Leslie Witty; Billy Ross; James Minor; Roger Lile; Jeff Lile; Kay Bush; Mary Bush; Graham Rutherford (in Iraq); Tom Chaney in Greenview Hosp.

### **SHUT-INS AT HOME:**

Alma Reynolds Sally Marshall Johnalene Lancaster

### **HART COUNTY HEALTH CARE:**

Hallie Davidson 403; \*Mary Edwards has been moved to 207; Helen Stanley 707; Berdine Hogan 405 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

### **GOSPEL OBEDIENCE:**

We rejoice that Shelby Gilpin, Brandon Schuller and John Keightley were baptized into Christ for the remission of their sins here at the building last Sunday afternoon. They attend at Shady Grove.

### **CONGRATULATIONS:**

Jordon Forbes has successfully completed her training and graduated from The Hair Design School in Elizabethtown this week. We are proud of your accomplishment!

### **GUEST SPEAKER SUNDAY NIGHT:**

Ron and Diana Kretz will be with us tonight to give a report on their work in Athens, Greece. Ron and Diana replaced Darrell and Robin in January 2006. They have done a great job working with the Branch School there. Many have been baptized into Christ, and have gone on to study to preach and teach. The Horse Cave church provided the apartment and furnishings in Athens when Darrell and Robin worked there. That same apartment and furnishings have been enjoyed by the Kretz family for three years. The church here can be thankful to God for being able to make a contribution to the work in Athens. We welcome Ron and Diana Kretz.

### **TEST YOUR BIBLE IQ:**

Who had Silas as a traveling companion on his 2nd missionary journey?

The answer to last week's question was: an angel of light, 2 Corinthians 11:14

## Do We Need To Go Back To School (2) by Richard Mansel

Students go to school to learn, so they can be knowledgeable about the world facing them. Teachers attempt to teach them to the best of their abilities and interest. Students thrive or suffer depending on their capabilities, engagement, environment and opportunities.

If we will learn from the best, we need to find the Master Teacher and learn from him. Jesus is the supreme teacher and "all who heard Him were astonished" (Luke 2:47, NKJV). "He taught them as one having authority" (Matthew 7:29). He lifted the hearts and minds of his listeners in ways that no one else has ever been capable of doing (John 7:46).

The source of his teaching is the Bible, the greatest book available to humankind. God's Holy Word is a repository of the world's greatest knowledge and instruction. Are we learning from it?

If not, we need to go back to school with the Master Teacher.

Students face enormous moral challenges every day in school. Christians are to rise above the sin of the world and "walk worthy of the calling with which you were called" (Ephesians 4:1). We are to stand as lights to the world, directing everyone to Christ (John 8:12). If we are not doing so, we must go back to school.

If we think that we can use the same filthy language that we hear around us all day, we need to go back to school (Ephesians 4:29). God expects far more of our tongues than profanity (James 3:1-12). The language in a public school is a veritable cesspool, but Christians should use pure, edifying words (Psalm 35:28).

If we think we have to be disrespectful to authority because that is what everyone else is doing, we need to go back to school (Romans 13:1). We need to be respectful of those who are

in authority and show godliness in every aspect of our Christian walk.

If we think that we need to make worse grades than we are capable of, so others will not think we are snobby or uppity, then we need to go back to school. "Whatever your hand finds to do, do it with your might" (Ecclesiastes 9:10). God expects us to be the best that we can be in everything that we do.

If we think that we have to be sexy in order to receive appreciation by the opposite sex, then we need to go back to school. "So God created man in His own image" (Genesis 1:27). We need to rise above the animalistic behavior of sinners and walk in righteousness. We are valued because we have a soul, not simply because we have a willing body.

If we think we have to have sex outside of marriage, in order to find love, then we need to go back to school. "Marriage is honorable among all, and the bed undefiled; but fornicators and adulterers God will judge" (Hebrews 13:4). God says to "Flee sexual immorality" (1 Corinthians 6:18).

A generation of young women have been brought up to believe that their sexuality defines their self-worth and it is a lie from the devil's hell (John 8:44).

If we think that we have to listen to filthy music because that is what everyone is doing, then we need to go back to school. "For God did not call us to uncleanness, but in holiness" (1 Thessalonians 4:7).

If we think that it is not cool to be a Christian, then we need to go back to school (Ephesians 4:17-18; Hebrews 11:23-26).

It is imperative that we glorify Christ and not follow sinners into their destruction! God is watching.

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