

## 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 - Oct. 4

### READ SCRIPTURE:

Bryan Denison

### ANNOUNCEMENTS:

Rob Bybee

### OFFICIATE:

Sydney Bunnell

### SERVE COMMUNION:

Rex Wallace Donnie Edwards  
Willie Cyphers John Eastridge

### PREACH:

a.m. - Wayne Hatcher  
p.m. - Wayne Hatcher

### LEAD SINGING:

am - Phillip Carter pm - BA Fudge

## Watch Your Thoughts

Watch your thoughts;  
they become words.

Watch your words;  
they become actions.

Watch your actions;  
they become habits.

Watch your habits;  
they become character.

Watch your character;  
it becomes your destiny.

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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](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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## Have You Counted the Cost? by Bill Jackson

One of your great songs, often used as an invitation song, has that wording: "Have you counted the cost, if your soul should be lost?" Most serious question, and a hard one to get modern-day man to think on, as so many are concerned with the cares, riches and pleasures of this life" (Luke 8:14). Death approaches, the judgment is sure, and eternity either with God, or away from God, is before us all. Have you counted the cost?

Jesus taught another lesson on counting the cost, and it had to do with rash action toward obeying, in contrast with the obedience that is well thought-out, and characterized by real conviction. The lesson is in Luke 14, and has two points to it, one having to do with the building of a tower (vv. 28-30), and the other concerned the king in warfare (vv. 31-32). The Lord had spoken of man's obedience, and how the family is affected, and stressed the need to be determined to take up the cross, and follow the Lord.

Then the lessons. A man building a tower, if a wise man he counts the cost to see that if beginning it, he can finish it. To the Oriental, and to the Middle Easterner, to have someone laugh at his failure was most distressing, and Jesus pictured that event when the man could not complete that which he started. In the other case, a king with 10,000 men then sees himself opposed by a king with twice that many men, and if wise, he will then seek some basis for a "peace talk" rather than to be wiped out! The need to count the cost!

The Lord's emphasis goes counter to a late view some have - sneak up on a man, hide subjects from him, remain silent about the church, don't answer all his questions, and spring other truth on him after he has been "converted (?)." Truth should be given to all who are being taught, and yea, the truth that the way is narrow and the gate is strait (Matthew 7:13-14), that when the man then does obey, he will have counted the cost!

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## PERSONAL NEWS & NOTES...

### **REMEMBER IN PRAYER:**

Doug Edwards; Linda Forbes; James Horton; Parker Bybee; Becca Napper; Chris Burchett; Lindley Hatcher; Blake Morris; Pat Bradford (Ruth's son); Vickie Thompson's dad, William E. Estes; Frankie Walters; Buddy Logsdon; Roger Lyons in FL; Larry Glass, Sr.; Chris Hillard; Faye Guinn (member at Center); Alexis Faith Newman upcoming tests; Mary Hatcher undergoing treatments for leukemia; R. T. Turner received a good report from recent tests; Renee Perkins; Colby Long; Dennis Hatcher suffering with back & leg pain; Kyla Huff, Parker Bybee, Shannon Gerald, Judy Petett, Robbie Fudge have been sick; there are lots of cases of the flu; Caverna Schools have been closed this week due to sickness.

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

Jim Reed; Leslie Witty; Billy Ross; Roger Lile; Mary Bush; Evelyn Smith and John Branstetter are now in Hart Co. Health Care

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

Alma Reynolds Sally Marshall Johnalene Lancaster

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

Hallie Davidson 403; Mary Edwards 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 Southeast Satellite Schools

### **INFORMATIONAL DIRECTORY:**

Be sure and fill out one of the data sheets for our updated informational directory. Please return it to Becca Napper. Also she will be taking pictures again after services if you would like to have your picture taken for the directory.

### **GOSPEL MEETINGS:**

Oct. 4-7 Lehman Ave. in Bowling Green with Jerry Carmichael 7 p.m. on week nights

Oct. 11-15 Mt. Gilead Church of Christ near Tompkinsville with Charles Isenberg

Oct. 16-18 Elizabethtown Church of Christ with Dave Miller Fri., Sat. 7 p.m. Sun. 9:30, 10:30 a.m. and 1:30 p.m. (bulletin board has details)

### **MID-SOUTH BIBLE INSTITUTE:**

A new Fall quarter began Thursday night on the theme of: *"Christian Maturity"* Course 1: book of James Course 2: letters of Peter and Jude Time: 6:30-8:30 p.m. Cost of Study Guides \$12 each. See Bulletin Board for details.

### **YOUTH DEVO & FELLOWSHIP:**

Oct. 19 Center Church of Christ with Todd Lockett as guest speaker. 6:30 p.m.

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

Who introduced Simon Peter to Jesus?

The answer to last week's question was: Romans (6:4) & Colossians (2:12)

## In Which Group Are You?

by Robert Goff Lexington, NC

*"For this is good and acceptable in the sight of God our Savior, who desires all men to be saved and to come to the knowledge of the truth" (I Timothy 2:3, 4 NKJV).*

If the Bible is right, and it is, then we can be assured that God wants every person who has ever lived and ever will live to be saved. That is clear from our text as well as other passages such as John 3:16. But, I believe we can safely say that there are at least five groups of people in this world, when it comes to salvation:

1. Those who are unconcerned about salvation, more concerned about other things, as was Felix (Acts 24:22-27).
2. Those who feel that they are saved without obeying the gospel. But, the Bible says the vengeance of the Lord will come upon those who do not obey the gospel of our Lord Jesus Christ (II Thessalonians 1:8).
3. Those who feel they are too wicked – "too far gone" to be saved. Yet, God saved Saul of Tarsus, who had been a blasphemer, a persecutor and an insolent man (I Timothy 1:12-17) who was, by his own admission "chief of sinners". If God can save Saul, change his name to Paul and use him in the kingdom, He can save you and me.
4. Those who desire to be saved and are willing to learn and obey the truth, like the Philippian Jailer in Acts 16:25-34). This man asked what he had to do and willingly listened while Paul and Silas taught him what to do to be saved.
5. Those who have obeyed the gospel, are living a faithful Christian life and look forward to the grace of God saving them

eternally. With Paul, they are able to say, *"..I know who I have believed and am persuaded that He is able to keep that which I have committed to Him until that Day"*. Paul was saved, and he knew he was saved because he had obeyed the gospel in baptism for the forgiveness of his sins (Acts 9:18; 22:16) and he lived faithfully for the Lord afterwards (II Timothy 4:6-8).

How about you and me? Let's take a serious look at ourselves in the spiritual mirror (Scriptures). Which group do we find ourselves? Do we like what we see? If not, now is the accepted time and day of salvation. Let's do what we have to do while we still have time to make our salvation certain.

## Just A Moment by Olden Cook

Modern life is geared to the clock. It is futile to think we can evade the tyranny of the ticking time-piece. An early educational task is learning to tell time, but an even more valuable lesson is learning what time tells us. Some become slaves to the clock, and clock-watchers are not always the best workers, but those who long for eternity need to pay attention to the clock.

Clocks remind us that time only comes one second at a time, and that is how life is lived. If you want to be the person of the hour, learn first to make every second count.

*"Look therefore carefully how ye walk, not as unwise, but as wise; redeeming the time, because the days are evil" (Ephesians 5:15-16).*