RECORDS YOU HELPED MAKE	
Bible Class	55
Attendance AM	70
Attendance PM	40
Wednesday PM	30

PRAYER REQUESTS

Prayer for Health: Kevin Gilbert (home); Otis Adair (home); Carlene Harley; Krubo Joplo; Richard & Florine Thomas; Pat Norris (home); Betty Blakely (Stone Springs); Janis Bland; Rhonda Fox; William Bogan (home) Ruby Nickell; Kevin Gilbert

Traveling: Richard Melson, Jr.;

Prayers:

Repentance:

Baptism:

Sympathy:

Member Birthdays: November— 14– Ruby Cole; 16–Tally Poole

Anniversaries: November — None

Ladies Reading Group: Zoom Class Nov. 12 @ 6:00 PM Chapter 13 in "The Begging Place"

November 01	BRETHREN TO SERVE AM	BRETHREN TO SERVE PM
Opening Prayer	Tony Moore	Tony Moore
Song Leader	Chris Poole	Lyle Cole
Lead Lord's Supper	Anthony Grigsby	Anthony Grigsby
Table	James Grigsby	James Grigsby
Table	Frank Brock	Frank Brock
Scripture Reader	Ryan McGahee	Anthony Grigsby
Sermon	R.D. Melson	R.D. Melson
Prayer for Responses	Norris Cole	Norris Cole
Closing Prayer	Patrick Thomas	Patrick Thomas
Announcements	Patrick Cook	Patrick Cook
Greeter	Frank Brock	Frank Brock
Usher	Anthony Grigsby	Anthony Grigsby
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A.S.A.P. = Always Say A Prayer

"Pray without ceasing"
1 Thessalonians 5:17

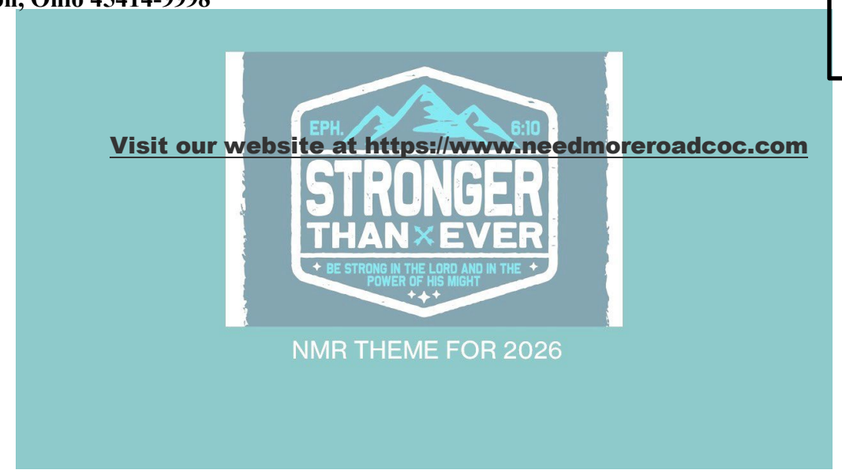
TO OUR VISITORS

Our goal in the church of Christ is to be the New Testament church, which you can read about in the Bible. We invite you to observe our worship assemblies, the doctrine that is taught and the structure of the church organization. Make a close comparison with your ***"church"*** and the church of the Bible -- **The Church of Christ**. We also invite you to join us as we strive to be the church of the Bible and restore New Testament Christianity.

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Sunday
Bible Study 9:30
Worship 10:30 A.M.
5:00 P.M.

1st Sunday No 5:00 PM

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Approaches to Bible Study

Clarence DeLoach, Jr.

We need more Bible students! We need better Bible students! The church is suffering for lack of Bible knowledge. Elders and preachers need to be great students. Parents need to be students, and then teach their children to be students. Teachers must be students. Let me suggest five approaches that will make a great student:

1. Study your Bible consecutively for information. Study from Genesis to Revelation. Start at the beginning and move to the end. The Bible has progress and movement. All knowledge builds upon prior information. Studying from the beginning with continuity will reveal the unity and harmony of the whole.

2. Study your Bible dispensationally for application. This approach will enable the student to know where he is in the Bible. He will be able to distinguish between the Law and the Gospel, bondage and liberty, the Sabbath and the Lord's Day. Much confusion has resulted from a failure to "rightly divide the word of truth" (2 Timothy 2:15).

3. Study your Bible typically for illustration. The Old Testament abounds in, "types," which find their substance" in the New Testament. The types serve as portraits, glimpses of things to come. The types are like the parts of a puzzle that ultimately come together to form the whole picture in the New Testament.

4. Study your Bible devotionally for inspiration. This approach enables the student to meditate and "delight in the law of the Lord" (Psalm 1). Rather than going through the Book, he allows the Book to go through him. Such will nourish the soul.

5. Study your Bible doctrinally for stabilization. There are so many "winds of doctrine" blowing (Ephesians 4:14)! Strange sounds can be detected only if you know the certain and true sound. Any error can be seen only if you know the truth.

May I challenge you to be a good Bible student!

STRONGER THAN EVER IN 2026 - EPH. 6:10

Words of Wisdom For Youth ... 1 Timothy 4:12

Thankfully Rescued

Years ago, a boat wrecked in a storm on Lake Michigan. Students from Northwestern University formed rescue teams and did all they could to save people from drowning. One student, named Edward Spencer, saved seventeen people before he fell exhausted to the ground. Years later, R. A. Torrey referred to this incident while speaking in Los Angeles, California, when a man in the audience called out, "Edward Spenser is here!"
Torrey asked Spenser to come forward and asked him if anything in particular stood out in his memory from that momentous occasion.
Spencer replied, "Only this, sir -- of the seventeen people I rescued, not one of them thanked me." Another great rescue operation has been performed. And you may not realize it, but YOU are in-volved. You, I, and every other person are drowning in a condition called sin.
"All have sinned and come short of the glory of God" (Rom. 3:23).
Because of His love for us, God sent His Son to OUR rescue.
"For God so loved the world, that he gave his only begotten Son, that whosoever believeth in him should not perish, but have everlasting life. For God sent not his Son into the world to condemn the world; but that the world through him might be saved" (Jn. 3:16,17).
Edward Spenser gave all of his energy to save seventeen people from drowning, but the Son of God gave His life to save - to rescue - us from our sins (Rom. 5:8-1O; Matt. 1:21).
Through the cross of Christ, God has extended His saving hand to rescue us from our sins. He will save us, IF we will reach out and grasp His hand.
But, just how do I grasp God's saving hand? What must I do to be saved -to be rescued from my sin? Thankfully, God has given us the answer through His word!

- We must HEAR the word of God (Rom. 10:17).
- We must BELIEVE in Jesus (Acts 16:31.
- We must REPENT of our sins (II Cor. 7:10).
- We must CONFESS Jesus (Rom. 10:9,10).
- We must BE BAPTIZED for the forgiveness of our sins (Acts 2:38; I Pet. 3:21).
- We must CONTINUE to cling to His hand through our faithful obedience to His will (I Cor. 15:1-4).

Due to our sin, the storms rage about us, but do not despair. Gratefully reach up to the saving hand of God in trusting obedience and He WILL rescue you. Then having been rescued, let us continue to express our gratitude by honoring our Saviour through the lives that we live. For the best way to GIVE thanks is to LIVE thanks.

Have you been rescued? Is your thanksgiving expressed by your Thanks-living?

The sticker on your back

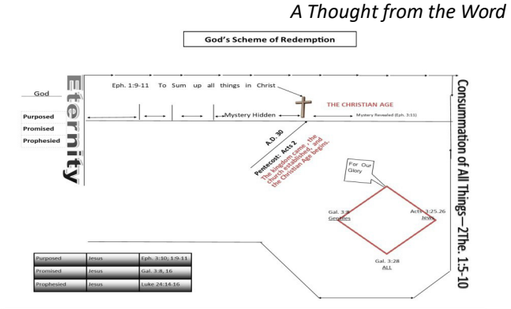


When we went to visit our daughter and our newly-born second grandson in the hospital (oh, and our son-in-law, too), we brought our 2-year-old grandson with us. At the security check-in desk, Traci and I both presented our driver's licenses and got our stickers with our names on them. They also printed a sticker for the 2-year-old and told us to put it on his back. Instead of his name, the sticker had printed in large letters: "My Child. Return to: David Sproule." What a great security feature if the child got separated from us!

That made me think. Hasn't God placed (figuratively, of course) a sticker on each of our backs with large letters: "My Child. Return to: God"? He's placed one on my back and your back, and on the back of every lost person we see this week. And, yes, He has placed one on the back of each of our children. It's God's "security feature"—reminding us whenever we see any person that it is our job to return them to God.

That hospital would have done anything to get a separated child safely back where he belonged. Will you do that with everyone you see today (John 4:35)?

David Sproule
A Thought from the Word



Melson's Musings ...



Bible Study

In Amos 9:11 we read, "In that day will I raise up the tabernacle of David that is fallen, and close up the breaches thereof; and I will raise up his ruins, and I will build it as in the days of old." We could not know what Amos was talking about except we tum over to Acts 15 and allow James to explain it for us. James will quote Amos in Acts 15:16,17 and apply the thought to the Gentiles having access to the salvation of Jesus Christ.

This is but one of the many challenges that await the sincere Bible student. Peter tells us that some things Paul wrote were "hard to be understood" (2 Peter 3:16). Note that Peter did not say impossible to be understood, but hard. With diligence (2 Timothy 2:15) and a proper attitude (Luke 8:18) the truths will be found and understood and will cause the man to prosper.

Bible study is a challenging journey each one of us should follow with sincere hearts. Let us notice what the Psalmist says concerning God's Word. "The Law of the Lord is perfect, converting the soul. The testimony of the Lord is sure, making wise the simple. The Statutes of the Lord are right, rejoicing the heart. The commandment of the Lord is pure, enlightening the eyes. The fear of the Lord is clean, enduring forever. The judgments of the Lord are true and righteous altogether. More to be desired are they than gold, yea, than much fine gold. Sweeter also than honey and the honeycomb" (Psalms 19:7-10).

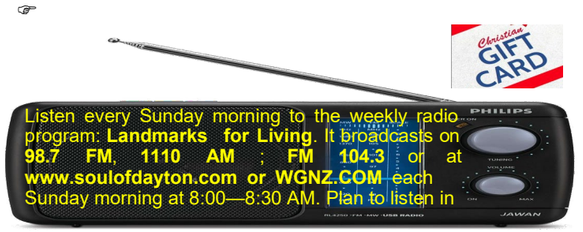
God's revelation to man is a blessing indeed. Paul said, " ...we were allowed of God to be put in trust with the Gospel" (1 Thessalonians 2:4). To have divine thoughts recorded for us is a great privilege that God has given to men. Yet, the vast majority will never know the joy of God's Word because they do not take the time to allow it to speak to them.

Concerning knowledge and wisdom and understanding, the writer of Proverbs says, "If thou seekest her as silver, and searchest for her as hid treasures; then shalt thou understand the fear of the Lord, and find the knowledge of God" (Proverbs 2:4,5). Bible study is a great challenge and joy.

- *Don. W. Walker*

Mark Chapter One: Bible Bowl Questions (KJV)
If give the correct answer to following questions you will get a Discovery Bible Card.

1. Mark 1:16 names what sea?
2. Who was called by Jesus in Mark 1:16?
3. What did Jesus say that Andrew and his brother would become?



NEWS AND NOTES

- Visit these online resources: www.wvbs.org ; www.apologeticspress.org ; www.searchtv.org; http://gbntv.org/;
- View: In Search of the Lord's Way — (we are updating this information—check your provider listing)
- Anchor of the Soul: www.anchorofthesoultv.com
- Check out Tullstar Archives at http://media.Tullstar.org for lessons from faithful brethren.

GOD'S PLAN FOR MAN'S SALVATION

"Sirs, What must I do to be saved?" Acts 16:30

- The Gospel Must Be Heard – John 6:44-45; Romans 10:17; John 8:32
- The Gospel Must Be Believed–John 8:24; Mark 16:16
- Sins Must Be Repented of – Luke 13:3,5; Acts 2:38
- Christ Must Be Confessed–Romans 10:10; Acts 8:37
- There Must Be Baptism (Immersion) for Remission (forgiveness) of Sins–Acts 2:38; 1 Peter 3:21
- Christian Growth and Faithfulness–1 Peter 2:2; Revelation 2:10; 2 Peter 3:18