

ANNOUNCEMENTS

MAY 2, 2010 SICK

LIST:

HEALTHCARE CENTERS:

Bertharine Burton, Maudie Jones, Ruby Harrison, Lizzie Banks

HOSPITAL: Gene McDonald (WBMC Rm 2211)

HOME: Flora Millwood, Freddie Alexander, Gloria Windham, Paul Mays, H.C. Brown, Frances Vinson, Lois Boshell, Jim Windham

PRAYER LIST: April Lazenby, Kimberly Wilcox, Pat Cush, Emmitt Pendley, Fritz Pendley, Jerusha Key, Sonya Parnell, Michelle Howell, Anna Turner, Francis Rushing, Irene Palmer, Vera Fike, Sue Hinds, Virginia Nicholas, Harold Walton, Paul Lockhart, Larry Drummond, Jim Murrell, J.B. Pruitt, Louise Alexander, Clyde Hall, Alan Waid, Ricky McDonald, Larry Alexander, Cindy Ruddard, Donnie Bryant

AM SERMON - BEN WRIGHT - CAN WE PLEASE GOD?

PM SERMON - BEN WRIGHT - THE EFFORT IN EPHEBUS

GOSPEL MEETING AT TIDWELL CHAPEL, MAY 2-6

“DANGERS FACING THE CHURCH” AT CROSSROADS, MAY 2, 2 PM. ALAN HIGHERS IS PREACHING ON THIS SUBJECT

BABY POUNDING FOR SHANNA ROBBINS MAY 9 AFTER AM SERVICES. IT'S A BOY!

REMEMBER TO GIVE BEN DONATIONS FOR ICYC TO HELP OUR CHILDREN HAVE FREE WEEKS FOR CAMP

SEE GENE OR LINDA FOR BIBLE CORRESPONDENCE COURSES

SEE DAVID FOR TAPES

BIRTHDAYS:

May 4: Connor Roden

5: Robin Busby

REMEMBER GBN ON DISH NETWORK CH 9407 AT 7:30 AM EVERY SUNDAY

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TIMES OF SERVICES

SUNDAY MORNING

BIBLE CLASS 9:30

WORSHIP 10:20

SUNDAY EVENING 5:00

WEDNESDAY BIBLE STUDY 7:00

ELDERS:

Gene McDonald 924-4827
924-2376

Carlton Myers 221-0637
Neil Myers 924-9289
Bruce Windham 221-2348

DEACONS:

Danny Busby 387-0213
Randy Wood 221-2508

MINISTER:

Ben Wright

CAN WE PLEASE GOD?

(Hebrews 11:6)

1. _____, God can be pleased.
 1. When noticing this, two dangerous extremes need to be avoided.
 1. At one extreme is the _____ - _____ approach.
 1. The _____ believed themselves to be righteous and were out of touch with the reality of their own sinfulness.
 2. This idea is not _____ (Isaiah 64:6; Luke 17:10).
 2. The other extreme is the _____ approach.
 1. This person is not in touch with the reality of God's _____.

2. He might doubt _____ can please God, or he may just doubt _____ can please God.
2. The Bible teaches that God can be _____.
 1. Hebrews 11:5 - the word pleased means “ _____-pleasing.”
 2. _____ 149:4.
 3. _____ 25:21.
 4. The possibility of me and you pleasing God should give us great _____.
2. **It is our _____ that pleases God.**
 1. There are only two ways someone can be _____ before God.
 1. The righteousness of _____.
 2. The righteousness of _____.
 2. The idea of the righteousness of law is to have _____ broken God’s law (Leviticus 18:5; Galatians 3:10-12).
 3. The good news is that God is willing to _____ us on the basis of our faith in Him.
 4. God could not have done this if Jesus hadn’t _____ for our sins (Romans 3:25-26).
 5. Since Christ died for our sins there is a new kind of righteousness made possible and that is the righteousness of _____.
 1. This is the _____ of the gospel.
 2. Philippians 3:9-11; Hebrews 9:15.
 6. _____ is the great example of the righteousness of faith.
 1. It was not the _____ of his obedience that God counted as his righteousness.
 2. Rather, he “ _____ in the Lord, and he accounted it unto him for righteousness (Genesis 15:6).
 7. The vital issue is _____ - if we trust God as did Abraham, then we can please God (Hebrews 11:8-19).
 8. We add to our confidence in God a large dose of _____ (Hebrews 4:16; 1 John 4:17-19).

THE WISDOM OF GOD VERSUS THE WISDOM OF MEN

J. K. Gossett

God is infinite in all of His attributes, including wisdom, knowledge and foreknowledge. He know man, and all about man. Contrariwise, man is finite in all of his acquired traits., including knowledge, wisdom and judgment. No man - no educator, no philosopher, no scientist, no preacher - is omniscient. Jeremiah wrote: “O Lord, I know that the way of man is not in himself: it is not in man that walketh to direct his steps” (Jeremiah 10:23).

The Bible contains many examples of conflict between the wisdom of God and the wisdom of man. There are also examples about us every day of those who claim to be wiser than God. Nowhere is this more evident than in the humanly devised fables - in worship, in morality, in human creeds and churches, in doctrines, in marriage and in the purpose of life itself.

Jesus spent much of His time correcting the false idea of His friends and enemies. Even the apostles, before they received the baptism of the Holy Spirit, had to be corrected.

When Jesus told the apostles of His death, Peter said, “Be it far from thee Lord: this shall not be unto thee.” The Lord called him Satan, saying unto him “for thou savourest not the things that be of God, but those that be of men” (Matthew 16:21-23).

On the mount of transfiguration, Peter foolishly purposed the building of three tabernacles - one for Moses, one for Elijah and one for Christ. At this point, God interrupted Peter and said, “This is my beloved Son in whom I am well pleased: hear ye Him” (Matthew 17:1-5).

Jesus had to teach the apostles a lesson on true greatness when they enquired, “Who is the greatest in the kingdom of God” (Matthew 18:1-3).

James, John and their mother had to be corrected when they sought a place of honor in the Lord’s kingdom (Matthew 20:20-28).

Just as Jesus personally corrected the people when He was upon the earth, He corrects men today through His written word - if they will believe it and obey it.