

ANNOUNCEMENTS

JAN 11, 2015

SICK LIST:

HEALTHCARE CENTERS:

Ruby Harrison

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AM - BEN WRIGHT - THE DANGERS OF A DIFFERENT AUTHORITY

PM - BEN WRIGHT - GOD WANTS US TO GROW

DON BLACKWELL WILL BE WITH US THIS WEDNESDAY EVENING TO REPORT ABOUT THE WORK OF GBN

MEN'S DAY AT WINFIELD JAN 31 AT 9 AM

BIRTHDAYS:

Jan 13: Bruce Windham

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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

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**THE DANGERS OF A DIFFERENT AUTHORITY
(Mark 7:7-9)**

I. Man's _____ standards.

- A. If we are to ever have the type _____ for which Jesus prayed, there has to be a common ground on which we can all agree.
- B. Men have devised or follow several different standards, most of them being very _____ in nature.
- C. For instance, many go by their _____.
 - 1. We've heard, "I feel it in my _____..." from many different people.
 - 2. "If it feels good _____" used to be popular phrase.
 - 3. Feelings are not a good _____ in religious matters.
- D. Some follow the wisdom of _____.
 - 1. Man thinks he is really _____ and in some things he is.
 - 2. If we are going to please God, it won't be done following that which man devises.
- E. Some follow man-made _____.
 - 1. So many today believe that if it was good enough for their _____, it is good enough for them.
 - 2. We can't _____ follow or imitate other human beings.
- F. Some follow the _____.
 - 1. Only a _____ are going to enter in at the strait and narrow gate.
 - 2. Surely, we don't want to follow the majority into _____.
- G. Some follow what their _____ says.
 - 1. This is extremely dangerous because the preacher may be _____.
 - 2. Matthew 7:15.

II. The _____ of following the wrong standard.

- A. The first _____ occurred because Cain followed his feelings instead of God's word.
- B. It felt right to _____ to reach out and steady the ark and it cost him his life.
- C. Following the traditions of men cost the _____ didn't it?
- D. Doing what they wanted in worship to God cost _____ and _____ their lives.
- E. Doing what he wanted cost Moses the opportunity to _____ the Promised Land.

Have You Surrendered High Ground For Low Living?

Robbie Eversole

If one has surrendered any high ground for low living, he needs to return to his higher and holier calling. Allow me to suggest 4 areas that we must return to if we have abandoned them.

First, let us return to prayer. Jesus said, “Men ought to always pray and never to faint” (Luke 18:1). Prayer moves the hand that controls the world. Jesus said, “Ask, seek, and knock” (Matthew 7:7). Look at the first letter of Ask, Seek, and Knock and you have ASK. Part of what keeps our relationship alive is prayer. If we have grown slack in 2014 in prayer – let us return in 2015!

Second, let us return to love. If our love for God, man and ourselves has waned in 2014, let us rekindle our passion in 2015. God is, and has always been love (I John 4:8, 16). He demands no less of us. Love is the disciple’s badge (John 13:34-35). By our love for God, our fellow man and oneself is how the world can tell we belong to Christ. Let us love God with all of our being in 2015 (Matthew 22:37-39)!

Third, let us return to compassion. Christians must have compassion for the lost, hungry, downtrodden and outcast of society. Jesus had pity on the lost of His day (Matthew 9:35-38). The purpose that Jesus came to earth was to save. His mission was a salvation mission (Luke 19:10). For others Jesus came, for others Jesus lived and for others Jesus died.

Fourth, let us return to living for God. We should determine that we are not carrying one sin of 2014 into 2015. God desires that His people be holy (I Peter 1:15-16). Without holiness we will never see God (Hebrews 12:14). Let

us resolve that we are going to present our bodies as living sacrifices to God this new year (Romans 12:1-2).