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SERMONS THIS SUNDAY:

AM: Ethan Allen/Daryl Macon/Harvey Allen

PM: cancelled

*A Warm Welcome awaits you at all our services. Come see!*

**"But my God shall supply all your need  
according to his riches in glory  
by Christ Jesus." - Philippians 4:19**

**SO WORK ON GETTING TO HEAVEN THEN!**

**"It is good to be zealous always in a good thing" -Galatians 4:18  
(but make sure it's the RIGHT thing!)**

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**JOIN US IN  
PRACTICING  
NEW TESTAMENT  
CHRISTIANITY  
TODAY,  
COME SEE!**

SERVICES

Sunday 10 AM Bible Study  
Sunday 11 AM, 6 PM Assembly  
Wednesday 7 PM Bible Study  
Office Phone (803) 794-5320  
*Nursery provided*

INFORMAL BIBLE STUDY

Any Time On Request  
*Everyone Welcome!*

Bring your friends & Bible questions

EVANGELIST

Other than the members  
none at present time  
Full time man wanted

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**"every disciple that is perfect shall be as his master." Luke 6:40b**

## **Where In The Bible Will I Find... We are to Preach Christ, Not the Church?**

The church of the Bible is not a denomination. In fact, the only reference to denominationalism in the New Testament condemns division (1 Corinthians 1:10-13).

**"Now I beseech you, brethren, by the name of our Lord Jesus Christ, that ye all speak the same thing, and that there be no divisions among you; but that ye be perfectly joined together in the same mind and in the same judgment." - 1 Corinthians 1:10**

Many and various are the teachings of denominations concerning their thoughts on God's plan for saving the world. The different plans offered by men do not change God's divine plan in the least. Some teach babies should be "baptized" by sprinkling or the sinner should pray instead of obey or faith alone saves, which is expressly condemned in the Bible (James 2:14, 17, 20, 22, 24, 26) or that Jesus saves and not the church and one can be saved outside as well as in the church of Christ.

None of these are the plan brought to the earth by God. God sent His only begotten Son to seek and save the lost (John 3:16, Luke 19:10). God's plan was that Jesus should seek the lost by establishing the church. The church was planned, prophesied, promised, and predicted for several hundred years before its establishment. In Acts 2, the church is an established reality, and is represented as being the place prepared by Christ for the saved (Acts 2:41, 47).

The church is not a part of the plan of salvation. It is the plan of salvation. According to the Bible, men cannot be saved outside of Christ, the church, or body of Christ, which terms all refer to the place of salvation. The plan for entering the church of Christ includes a man hearing, believing in Christ with all of his heart, repentance, confession, and being baptized (Acts 8:35-39).

Jesus, in carrying out God's will, never promised to save anyone outside the church which He built with His teaching and purchased with His blood (Matthew 16:18-19; 28:19-20; Acts 20:28). The church is the only institution over which He is head (Ephesians 1:22-23) and the only one on the earth now that He promised to save eternally (Ephesians 5:23).

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## **“PRAY FOR ONE ANOTHER” - James 5:16**

**REMEMBER IN PRAYER:** *Merrie Christmus, Margaret Herring, Pat Joyner, Jan Kelleher, Gwen Pittman, Barbara and Melvin Reeder, Stephanie Rigney.*

Lord willing, the church doors will be open at 11 AM each Sunday for the worship assembly. This assembly is broadcast on Facebook and it is recorded for later viewing. Most members are participating remotely. All other meetings are canceled.

For help connecting through Facebook, please call **Connie Richbourg 413-8533**.

**“And upon the first *day* of the week, when the disciples came together to break bread, Paul preached unto them “ - Acts 20:7**

The Bulletin is sent to an email list and posted each week on the church website. We're also **mailing** the bulletin each week to those without computer access. When you contact other members, see if they're getting the bulletin, and if not, let **Ed** know.

We want to share news on members in this bulletin — How they're doing and any needs they might need. Members are calling each other, which is a good thing we all should be doing! Some members don't have family they can count on for help.

Here are some who are **NOT** connected electronically and need to be checked on by phone regularly. Call them, see how they're doing and then let **Paula** know so it can get in this bulletin:

- **Trevia Parks** 673-8411, 129 Duchess Trail, Lexington 29073
- **Judy Cornelius** 606-6401, 2402 Breeze Rd, Cayce 29033
- **Pat Joyner** 807-9332, 5 Chicorana Rd, W Cola 29169
- **Margaret Herring** 926-1786, 1146 Pinecroft Dr, W Cola, 29169
- **Barbara Reeder** 834-4265, 216 Burlie Ct, Apt K, W Cola 29169

There is food at the church building for the **Reeders**. If you can help by getting food or taking it to the Reeders, please call **Martha or Dawn** to coordinate.

**No other news on members has been provided.**

**IMPORTANT!** If you have news on members, even just to say you've contacted them and they're ok, please share it with **Paula Kennedy** by call or text to 260-2000 or by email to **KennedyPaulaM@Gmail.com**. She will summarize it on Fridays to be included in the next bulletin.

**This will greatly help maintain our fellowship during this troubled time!**

**"The fear of the Lord tendeth to life: and he that hath it shall abide satisfied; he shall not be visited with evil." - Proverbs 19:23**

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## **Where In The Bible Will I Find...**

### **We are to Preach Christ, Not the Church? —(cont. from page 1)**

With these thoughts clearly before us, one expresses his ignorance of the Scriptures who might say, "I am so glad to hear someone preach Jesus as the Saviour and not the Church as the Saviour." When deadly persecution arose with the stoning of Stephen, the members of the church at Jerusalem were "scattered abroad throughout the regions of Judea and Samaria..." and "went every where preaching the word" (Acts 8:1-4).

Preaching Christ and preaching the Word are one and the same (Acts 8:4-5) and the same as preaching the church or kingdom (Acts 8:12). It is important for us to study to be approved of God (2 Timothy 2:15)

**- Gary Colley, Gospel Preacher, Teacher, Memphis Tennessee**

**“... even as Christ is the head of the church: and he is the saviour of the body. Therefore as the church is subject unto Christ, so let the wives be to their own husbands in every thing. Husbands, love your wives, even as Christ also loved the church, and gave himself for it; That he might sanctify and cleanse it with the washing of water by the word, That he might present it to himself a glorious church, not having spot, or wrinkle, or any such thing; but that it should be holy and without blemish.” - Ephesians 5:23-27**

## **WHAT CAN THE WORLD DO FOR YOU?**

### **KILL YOU!**

**“..., which, when they have heard, they go forth, and are choked with cares and riches and pleasures of this life, and bring no fruit to perfection” - Luke 8:14**

**Which you might be ok with, till you consider this:**

**“Every tree that bringeth not forth good fruit is hewn down, and cast into the fire.”  
- Matthew 7:19**

**Knowing the world can kill you then, for eternity, don't you think you'd rather:**

**“Study to shew thyself approved unto God, a workman that needeth not to be ashamed, rightly dividing the word of truth.” - 2 Timothy 2:15**

**Which is why we remind you ...**

**"It is good to be zealous always in a good thing" -Galatians 4:18**