#### **Sermon Notes**

Topic: Text:



#### **WHAT MUST I DO TO BE SAVED?**

HEAR

Rom. 1;16; 10:17 BELIEVE

John 8:24 Luke 13:3 Acts 3:19;

**REPENT** 

Rom 10:9-10 Matt. 10:32

**CONFESS** 

**BAPTISM** 

Acts 2:38; 22:16



"This is the message which we have heard from Him and declare to you, that God is light and in Him is no darkness at all." <u>I John 1:5</u>

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## **SCHEDULE OF SERVICES**

## **Sunday**

Bible Class	10 a.m.
Worship	11 a.m

# Wednesday

Bible Study ......7:00 p.m.

# **Prayer Meeting**

(Last Wed. each month @ 7 pm)

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## **WELCOME VISITING FRIENDS**

If you are one of our visitors today, please know that we are indeed honored to have you. If you are a member of the Lord's body, thanks for choosing to worship with us today. If you are not a member of the Lord's church, we would be happy to meet with you and discuss how one becomes a member of the church which we read about in the New Testament. We aim to speak as they spoke and do as they did. We also offer a free Bible correspondence course which can be mailed to you. Or, someone would be glad to meet with you for a one-on-one Bible Study. You can indicate your desire on a visitor's card and place it in the collection tray.

# **CONTENDING FOR THE FAITH**

### **Putting The Pieces Together!**

ike any puzzle, one will not have the true picture until all the parts are put together. The same applies to understanding the word of God. In answering the most important question "What must I do to be saved?", at a cursory glance, one is likely to walk away with multiple answers, which has created a great deal of confusion in the religious world.

Early in his ministry, Jesus taught that "God so loved the world that He gave His only begotten Son, that whoever believes in Him, would not perish but have everlasting life," (John 3:16). This verse is popularly used to show that all that is required to be saved is for one to believe in Jesus Christ. Jesus also commissioned

his disciples to "Go into all the world and preach the gospel to every creature. He who believes and is baptized will be saved; but he who does not believe will be condemned..." (Mark 16:15-16). Here, belief and baptism are mentioned as salvation criteria. Then, on the day of Pentecost following Peter's sermon, the people who were convicted in their hearts asked, "What must we do?" (Acts 2:37). Peter commanded them to "Repent and let every one of you be baptized in

The single most important question, "What must I do to be saved?" has caused much confusion in the religious world.

the name of Jesus Christ for the remission of sins; and you shall receive the gift of the Holy Spirit." Later in the book of Acts, Paul and Silas who were imprisoned in the city of Philippi were freed by God, resulting in the jailor asking them, "Sirs, what must I do to be saved?" (Acts 16:30), to which they responded, "Believe on the Lord Jesus Christ, and you will be saved, you and your household" (v. 31). Notice that he was told to believe, and he would be saved. Also, later on, when Paul wrote to the Christians in Italy, he stated "that if you confess with your mouth the Lord Jesus and believe in your heart that God has raised Him from the dead, you will be saved," (Rom. 10:9). On the very surface of it, Paul seems to be saying that if we simply confess (proclaim, acknowledge, reveal) our belief in the Lord Jesus, we will be saved.

When all these verses are put together, however, the full plan of salvation is revealed: Believe in the gospel of Christ (Acts 16:31), Repent of his sins (Acts 2:38), Confess Christ (Romans 10:9) and be baptized for the forgiveness of his sins (Mark 16:15-16; Acts 2:38).

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# **ANNOUNCEMENTS**

Please remember to silence your cell phones.

All members who need a tax donation letter, please text Bro. Webster at 708-752-5589.

Brother Edward Davis, from the Sheldon Heights congregation, is our guest speaker today!

Our new directories are here and it will be one per family. Please see Sis. Ann-Marie Webster to sign for your copy. \*\*Sis Barbara Johnson's correct address is **2239 E 92nd Pl, Chicago, IL 60617.** Please make the correction in your directories.

Sis. Glenda Carter is now back home from the hospital and is recovering.

Sis. Mutlab continues treatment on ongoing health issues.

Sis. Thigpen's mother is in the hospital and her Mother-In-Law is not doing well.

Bro. Robert Davis has not been well for a while.

Sis. Trussell and the Bells are out of town.

Bible class resumes thie week, weather permitting.

### **For Prayers:**

Our military personnel

Our plans this year to move into another facility.

**Also**, Ursula Ware, Nadia Hawks, Robert Davis, Rob Hardy's son Paul.

#### **Our College Students:**

Paris Mickles: Southern Illinois University Bria Gamble: Illinois State University Angelice Gibson: Loyola University



#### **Birthdays This Week:**

Bro. Brian Gamble - Feb. 14 Sis. Whitney Taylor - Feb. 15



Please submit **your announcements** to Bro. Webster by Thursday evening each week.

#### **Order of Service**

Song

Announcement

Song

**Opening Prayer** 

Song

**Scripture Reading** 

Song

Sermon

Song

## **Lord's Supper**

### **Offering**

Song

**Closing Prayer** 

# Last Week's Record



Sun. AM Class 28 Sun. AM Worship 45 Wed. Bible Class cancelled