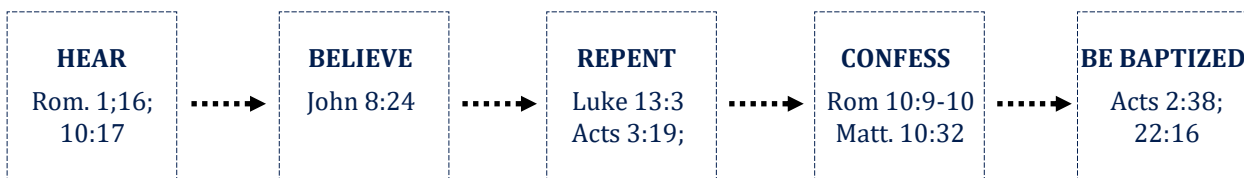


Sermon Notes

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WHAT MUST I DO TO BE SAVED?



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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 located at the front on the communion table.

SCHEDULE OF SERVICES

Sunday

Young Christians' Class10 a.m.
Sun. Adult Bible Class.....10 a.m.
Worship Service11 a.m.

Wednesday

Bible Study (on Zoom)...7:00 p.m.

*I rejoiced with those who said to me,
"Let us go to the house of the LORD."
Psalm 122:1*

CONTENDING FOR THE FAITH

The Deceitfulness of Sin!

In Southern Mexico is the Cueva de Villa Luz (cave). As you walk toward the cave, the trail takes you through a paradise of lush rain forest which is fed by 20 or more underground springs. The cave itself is home to spectacular rock formations and beautiful ponds. The environment is interesting and inviting. Yet go into the cave without a gas mask and you'll soon be dead. You see, the Cueva de Villa Luz is filled with poisonous gases.

Sin is just like that cave. Sin presents itself as something inviting, attractive, and fun. Yet, in reality, it is poisonous and toxic and deadly. Not all that glitters is gold! In Hebrews 3:12-13, the author issues a warning that is just as applicable today as it was in the first century: *"Beware, brethren, lest there be in any of you an evil heart of unbelief in departing from the living God; but exhort one another daily, while it is called 'Today,' lest any of you be hardened through the deceitfulness of sin."* Sin promises more than it can deliver. It assures us of pleasures it never imparts. Hebrews 11:25 describes it as *"the passing pleasures of sin."* And even if it does deliver some pleasure, it oftentimes conceals the deadly part until it's too late. It also obscures its addictive power, invariably leading us beyond our original limits. When we first sin a specific sin, we can come under its delusion, luring us step by step further into it until we are enslaved.

We must continually wear our spiritual mask, so to speak, which is to avail ourselves of God's Word, in order to help us discern what is deadly from what is helpful and necessary for our lives in Christ. Jesus relied on it as He found Himself in the deadly environment of the devil (Matt. 4:1-11). Part of growing in the knowledge of God's word (moving on from *"milk"* to *"solid food"*), is evidenced by our ability to know what the Lord wants us to avoid (Heb. 5:13-14). Paul goes even further when he warns that if it appears to be evil, flee from it (I Thess. 5:22). Why? Because of how deceptively deadly sin can be! Like the Cueva de Villa Luz, if we are unprepared, the end result can be fatal!

- RW

ANNOUNCEMENTS

Please remember to silence your cell phones and please be reminded no eating is allowed in the auditorium.



Birthdays and Anniversaries this Week:

BIRTHDAYS- NONE

ANNIVERSARIES- NONE

Skills Bank

Remember to submit your information, and do your own verification for licensing.

Sis. WebsterReal Estate Agent

Gambles Property Preservation & Custom Home Décor

Sis. Debra WoodardFinancial Advisor

Please review the website for any necessary updates. Also, if you would like a year-end tax statement, please email or text Sis. Ruthie Gamble.

If you send your offering electronically; if possible, please use the PayPal option to avoid transaction fees with Cash App being withheld.

Church of Christ Ladies Lectureship Retreat
Galt House Hotel
140N 4th St, Louisville, KY
April 14 - 17, 2022
www.ladieslectureshipretreat.org

For Prayers :

Our military personnel, first responders, new members and educators.

The Bell's will be traveling this week.

Please continue to pray for the Nunn and Oddman families, Bro. Chris Shields, Delores Scott-King, the Simmons family, Sis. Thigpen's mother-in- law; Betty Louise Jones, Sis. Vannie Wyatt, Glenda Carter, Bria Gamble, Selma Raglin, Hercshenia Brown , Lydia Chaff, Laura Simpson, and Kristopher Strickland.

Our Sunday morning Young Adult Bible class being taught by Bro. EJ Taylor at 10 o'clock. Please encourage young people within your family and your friends to take advantage of this class as they come to worship service.

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

Sunday AM Worship & Zoom	108
Wednesday Bible Class (Zoom)	42
Last Sunday offering:	\$7577.00
Weekly Budget	\$2625.00