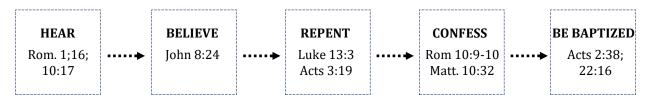
## **Sermon Notes**

Topic: Text:



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





# THE MESSENGER

"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." I John 1:5

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#### **SCHEDULE OF SERVICES**

## **Sunday**

Young Christians' Class	10 a.m.
Sun. Adult Bible Class	10 a.m.
Worship Service	11 a.m.

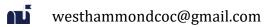
## Wednesday

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

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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 vou 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.

# **CONTENDING FOR THE FAITH**

## THE TRUTH MUST BE TREASURED!

In the classroom setting of one of the *Peanuts* cartoons, it is the first day of **L** school and the students must write an essay about returning to class. In her essay, Lucy wrote, "Vacations are nice, but it's good to get back to school. There is nothing more satisfying or challenging than education and I look forward to a year of expanding knowledge." Needless to say, the teacher was pleased with Lucy and complimented her fine essay. Charlie Brown looks on with dismay. In the final frame, Lucy leans over and whispers to Charlie Brown, "After a while, you learn what sells!" That's a pretty good description of what has happened to our society. The temptation is to say what others want to hear whether it is true or not.

It is not unusual for politicians, in their quest to get votes, to tell their audience things that they want to hear, and while that may be okay to some extent, it is important that they hear the truth about the economic realities. There is not much difference neither in regard to religion as many preachers use their pulpits to pander to their audience by telling them what they want to hear. Paul warned us to "Preach the word! Be ready in season and out of season. Convince, rebuke, exhort, with all longsuffering and teaching. For the time will come when they will not endure sound doctrine, but according to their own desires, because they have John 8:32 itching ears, they will heap up for themselves teachers; and they will turn their ears away from the truth, and be turned aside to fables" (2 Tim. 4:2-4).

"The truth shall set you free"

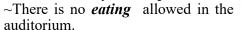
God in His divine wisdom knew that man needed a standard by which all truth is judged and therefore gave us the inspired scriptures (John 17:17; 2 Tim. 3:14 -17). The truth of God's Word is unbiased and is designed to us to liberate us from sin, Jesus said, "... the truth shall set you free" (John 8:32), therefore it must be treasured, no wonder Proverbs 23:23 urges us to, "Buy the truth and sell it not...!"

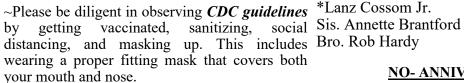
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## **ANNOUNCEMENTS**

#### **REMINDERS**:

~Please silence your *cell phones*.





~Please dispose of your used communion cups in the trash can in the fover.

~You are encouraged to use the PayPal option for electronic offerings.

We will have our first picnic at the WHCOC building Date, to be determined (TBD). There will be a sign-up sheet on the ledge for food and entertainment. More details to follow.

#### **FOR PRAYERS:**

Prayers of encouragement for our new members; Bros. William Lawton & David Croom and Sis. Nicole Tillman.

Prayers are needed for Sis Wyatt whose niece, Melanie Jordan was funeralized yesterday in Rockford. Bro. Brian Gamble's cousin, Gloston (Bud) Graves was funeralized on Friday.

Please continue praying for Bro. Ed. Davis, Bro. AJ Cunningham., the Carter & Shields family, Sis. Davis, Christopher Strickland, and Sis. Annette Brantford.

#### **CLASSES:**

The Sunday morning children's Bible class teacher is Sis. Jameka (lower level-2G).

The Sunday morning voung adult class temporarily being held in the auditorium.

#### **BIRTHDAYS & ANNIVERSARIES** THIS WEEK:

#### **BIRTHDAYS~**

\*Lanz Cossom Jr. Mon.- Aug. 22nd Wed- Aug. 24th Fri. - Aug. 26th

#### NO- ANNIVERSARIES~

#### SKILLS BANK~

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Sis. Debra Woodard ......Financial Advisor Gambles ..... Property Preservation & Custom Home Décor

#### 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** Wednesday Bible Class (Zoom) **Last Sunday offering:** Weekly Budget

\$2116.67 \$2625.00

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