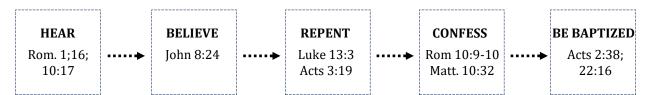
### **Sermon Notes**

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." **IJohn 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.

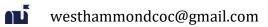
# Wednesday

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 Laws of God

As a Jamaican, I have always wondered why we, along with many other commonwealth countries, drive on the left side of the road rather than the right side like the United States. Recently, I had a conversation with a friend who had just returned from vacationing in England and had the same curiosity. He was told by a tour guide that a possible reason why this law came into effect was that in the 1800s, pedestrians, as well as horse-andcarriages, used the same roads. When a carriage was on the right side of the road, a driver's horsewhip would sometimes accidentally hit a passerby. To remove this hazard, a law was passed requiring all carriages to travel on the left side of the road so the pedestrians could be kept safe.

Just as the rules of the road are for our benefit and protection, so are God's commands. Man is prone to wander and deviate from God and go in a direction that he thinks is right which can be detrimental to his well-being, hence the Prov. 14:12 says, "There is a way God! that seems right to a man, but its end is the way of death." Sin

Man is prone to wander and deviate from

will deceive us into thinking that we are doing things God's way. God's people had to be warned that they were incapable of making the right decisions for their spiritual lives in Jere. 10:23 "O LORD, I know the way of man is not in himself; It is not in man who walks to direct his own steps."

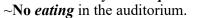
The commandments of the Lord in the New Testament are not intended to frustrate us. In fact, 1 John 5:3 says, "... His commandments are not burdensome." Instead, they relieve us of selfishness and stubbornness so that we, through faith in God, can be victorious over the sinful vices of this world. As we endeavor to obey the road traffic laws, let us with even greater loyalty strive to observe the laws that God has prescribed for our spiritual benefits.

Robert Webster

# **ANNOUNCEMENTS**

#### **REMINDERS:**

~Please silence your *cell phones*.



~Please be diligent in observing CDC COVID-19 guidelines.

The congregation will be hosting its first Friends, Families and Neighbors Day, Sunday, Oct. 30. This is an evangelistic effort to reach as many people as possible with the gospel of Christ. More information to come.

The congregation held its first bi-weekly Ladies Ministry meeting this past Thursday. It promises to be a great spiritual and social boost for the ladies. Next meeting is Thur. Sept. 15th at 6:30 Agents. p.m.

We are currently accepting items for the homeless mission. Please see list on the ledge.

#### **FOR PRAYERS:**

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

Prayers are needed for Sis. Errika Williams and family, the Webster family, the Gamble family, the Lighfoot family, Nikki Amerson's son; DJ and Sis. Chaff's son; DJ.

Please continue praying for the Conners, Sis. Brenda Sims, Sis. Jesseann Taylor, Sis. Davis, Sis. Wyatt, the Brantfords, the Simmons, the Carter & Shields families, Christopher Strickland, Bro. Ozell's Smith's wife, Linda, Bros. Rob. Hardy, Ed. Davis, AJ Cunningham., EJ. Taylor, the Taylor family and Laurene Cunningham.

#### **CLASSES:**

Sunday morning Children's Bible Class is taught by Sis. Jameka. (lower level - 2G).

Sunday morning **Young Adult Class** is taught by Bro. Taylor. (upper level - 1B)

Adult Bible Class - main auditorium

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

#### **BIRTHDAYS~**

Sis. Serena Webster Sis. Vivian Simmons Wed.—Sept. 7th Sat.- Sept. 10th

#### **ANNIVERSARIES~**

Bro. & Sis. Davis

Tues.-Sept. 5th

#### SKILLS BANK~

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

Sis. Webster & Sis. Tillman....Real Estate

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** 

\$4099.78

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\$2625.00