



THE RIPLEY BEACON

FROM

THE RIPLEY CHURCH OF CHRIST

August 6, 2017



“Where the Gospel is Preached and People are Loved!”

Loving as Christ

When Jesus came to this earth, His teaching turned the world upside down. Its focus was different from that of previous religions. Jesus sought to change people from the inside, out instead of the outside, in. One such example is in the love that we should have for one another. “A new commandment I give to you, that you love one another; as I have loved you, that you also love one another” (John 13:34). From Jesus’ statement and the example of His life we see three areas where we need to improve upon our love.

First, this love is a selfless love. The love that Jesus possessed was not a love that focused upon oneself as so many do today, but it was a love that focused on the welfare of others. Too often our love is expressed only upon those who are similar to us or to those who may benefit us in some way. Jesus loved others no matter their station in life, no matter their differences. His love was selfless as ours should be.

Second, this love is a sacrificial love. Not only did Jesus love those who were different from Him and who could not benefit Him, but He also took it a step further and sacrificed for them. Jesus looked for those in need and His love for them moved Him to action on their behalf even to the point of sacrificing His very life. His love was sacrificial as ours should be.

Third, this love is a sustaining love. The love that Jesus gave was not a one-time event. It is a love that continues for us even until this day. And if we are to love as Jesus, our love should be a constant expression to others as well.

May we all strive to love others as Jesus loves us!

~Justin Paschall

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Larry Carden
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Joe Hunt
David Snell

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Tommy Climer
Kenneth Roark

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Service Times:

Sun. Bible Study-10 AM
Sun. Worship-11 AM
Sun. Night-5 PM
Wed. Night-7 PM

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What Must I Do to Be Saved?

- Hear the Word of God – Rom. 10:17
- Believe that Jesus is the Son of God – Heb. 11:6; John 8:24
- Repent of your sins – Acts 17:30
- Confess Christ before men – Rom. 10:10; Matt. 10:32-33
- Be baptized for the remission of your sins – Acts 2:38; 1 Pet. 3:21
- Remain Faithful – Rev. 2:10

By The Numbers for July 30th

Attendance:

Sun. Bible Study – 89
Sun. AM Worship – 120
Sun. PM Worship – 90
Wed. Night (8/2) – 65

To Our Visitors:

We are so glad and honored that you chose to be with us today. If you have any questions please feel free to ask the elders or one of the members. If we can be of any assistance, please let us know. Thanks for being with us, and we hope to see you again real soon!

Listen to WTRB 1570 AM and

104.9 FM Radio

Sunday, Tuesday, and Thursday

8:15 AM

Check us out on the web:

www.ripleychurchofchrist.org

AM Bible Study:

Song Leader – Kenneth Roark
Audio/Visual – Bret Carmack
Devotional – Rusty Kennedy

AM Service:

Usher – Barry Bates/Darrell Smothers
Announcements – Tommy Climer
Song Leader – David Snell
Audio/Visual – Bret Carmack
Opening Prayer – Larry Carden
Lord’s Supper – (S) Steve Carmack
(S) Robert Anderson
(N) Kenneth Roark
(N) John Dennison
(N) Joel Sutton

Closing Prayer – Kenneth Roark
Security –

PM Service:

Announcements – Tommy Climer
Song Leader – David Snell
Audio/Visual – Bret Carmack
Opening Prayer – Joe Hunt
Lord’s Supper – Steve Carmack
Closing Prayer – Raymond Neal
Security – Frank Carmack

Wednesday Night:

Song Leader – Kenneth Roark
Audio/Visual – Bret Carmack
Opening Prayer – Darrell Smothers
& Devotional
Closing Prayer – Mel Gibson
Security – Barry Bates

Door Greeters for August

South – Steve Carmack
Center – David Snell
North – Joe Hunt

Communion for August

Joe and Cynthia Hunt

August Birthdays

- Justin Paschall – 2
- Raymond Neal – 11
- Darlene Underwood – 13
- Mende Scherffius – 14
- Reagan Paschall – 17
- Josh Carmack – 18
- Cynthia Hunt – 20
- Evelyn Smith – 20
- Betty Binkley – 21
- Bret Carmack – 23
- Tommy Climer – 23
- Rylee Moore – 23
- Franklin Carmack – 31



What Are My Children Studying?

- **Aug. 6th** – Lesson 71 – Crossing the Jordan on Dry Land – Joshua 3
- **Aug. 9th** – Lesson 72 – Memorial of Jordan Crossing – Joshua 4
- **Aug. 13th** – Lesson 73 – Manna Ceases – Joshua 5

Memorials Received

Memorials have been received in honor of June, Medford, Gerald Brown, Jewel Kendrick, and Frank Shelton.

Those in Need of Our Prayers and Encouragement:

Our Regulars/Friends/Relatives:

- At any given time there are members going through different difficulties that they would rather keep private. Please say a prayer for them; God knows who they are.
- Gwinn Matthews passed away on Tuesday (8/1). Funeral services were held on Saturday (8/5). Please keep Mrs. Johnnie and the family in your prayers.
- WL Sandlin has returned to his treatments and will be unable to attend services regularly as a result. Please keep him in your prayers.
- Robert Taylor had knee replacement surgery on Tuesday (7/11). He is in the Lauderdale Community Hospital, room 159 for rehab. He is also still receiving antibiotics for pneumonia. Please keep him in your prayers as he recovers.
- June Medford (Ann Carmack’s sister) passed away. Funeral services were held Friday (7/21). Please keep the family in your prayers.
- Gerald Brown (David Snell’s brother-in-law) passed away. Funeral services were held on Friday (7/21). Please keep the family in your prayers.
- Milford Durham (retired chief of police and former sheriff) is battling lung cancer. Please keep him in your prayers.
- Linsey Tharpe gave birth to a healthy baby girl. Blaiselyn Everleigh was born on Sunday (7/9) at 9:29 am. She weighed 9 lbs. and 6 oz. They are home now. Please keep them in your prayers.
- Jewel Kendrick (David Snell’s sister) passed away. Funeral services were held on Sunday (7/9). Please keep the family in your prayers.
- Bert Lussier will have surgery tomorrow (7/31). Please keep him in your prayers.
- Grayson Bryant (Lillie Dennison’s sister’s grandson), was able to go home. He still has some procedures ahead of him. Please keep the family in your prayers
- Evelyn Jackson (Betty Arthur’s sister) is currently in rehab following a bad fall. Please keep her in your prayers.
- Randy Roark, Jr. is battling kidney cancer. Please continue to keep him and the family in your prayers.
- Lloyd Sanders (Rae Sanders’ son) fell and broke his neck. He is home and has a long road ahead of him. Please keep him in your prayers.
- Johnnie Matthews, Brenda Sutton, Larry Carden, WL Sandlin, Betty Brogdon, Eunice Dobbs, Marion Morris, Tim Carmack, Lille Dennison, Ted Sutton, Joyce Blakemore, Brenda Belton, Drexel Reed, Betty Binkley, and Everett & Mary Presson: Please keep these individuals in your prayers.

“The effective, fervent prayer of a righteous man avails much”

(James 5:16)