

# THE RIPLEY BEACON

FROM

## THE RIPLEY CHURCH OF CHRIST

February 19, 2017



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

### Jesus Loves Me

Part 3

“Jesus loves me this I know for the Bible tells me so.” We have noticed two important lessons from this beautiful song. We noticed the first lesson which is contained in the title and first verse of the song, Jesus loves me. Another verse of the song gave us a second lesson, Jesus died for me. Now let’s notice our third and final lesson.

Another verse of the song teaches that we should live for Jesus. “Jesus take this heart of mine, make it pure and wholly thine; On the cross you died for me, I will henceforth live for thee” Notice we are to make our hearts pure and wholly (as in completely) His.

The reason for this decision to give ourselves to Jesus is seen in the verse – He gave himself for us. We have to be willing to deny ourselves if we are to serve Him faithfully. “Then Jesus said to His disciples, “If anyone desires to come after Me, let him deny himself, and take up his cross, and follow Me” (Matthew 16:24).

We need to adopt the attitude of Paul. He had the attitude that his life was no longer his, but it belonged to Jesus. “I have been crucified with Christ; it is no longer I who live, but Christ lives in me; and the life which I now live in the flesh I live by faith in the Son of God, who loved me and gave Himself for me” (Galatians 2:20). If we are truly living for God, then our decisions will coincide with His Word and His Will.

Now you have three great lessons from this “children’s” song. Jesus loves you; He died for you; will you live for Him?  
~Justin

#### Elders:

Larry Carden  
Steve Carmack  
Joe Hunt  
David Snell

#### Deacons:

Pat Carmack  
Tommy Climer  
Gwinn Matthews  
Kenneth Roark

#### Minister:

Justin Paschall  
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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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*“Come Worship with Us!”*

**The Ripley church of Christ**

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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 February 12<sup>th</sup>

#### Attendance:

Sun. Bible Study – 88  
Sun. AM Worship – 118  
Sun. PM Worship – 69  
Wed. Night (2/15) – 72

### 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!

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**8:15 AM**

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**AM Bible Study:**

Song Leader – Kenneth Roark  
Audio/Visual – David Bridges  
Devotional – Robert Taylor

**AM Service:**

Usher – Barry Bates/Darrell Smothers  
Announcements – Joe Hunt  
Song Leader – David Snell  
Audio/Visual – David Bridges  
Opening Prayer – Kenneth Roark  
Lord’s Supper – (S) Larry Carden  
(S) Joel Sutton  
(N) Jimmy Hartman  
(N) Matt Blevins  
(N) Winston Starks

Closing Prayer – Jimmy Hartman  
Security – Frank Carmack

**PM Service:**

Announcements – Joe Hunt  
Song Leader – David Snell  
Audio/Visual – David Bridges  
Opening Prayer – Tommy Climer  
Lord’s Supper – Larry Carden  
Closing Prayer – David Snell  
Security – Frank Carmack

**Wednesday Night:**

Song Leader – Kenneth Roark  
Audio/Visual – David Bridges  
Opening Prayer – Rusty Kennedy  
& Devotional  
Closing Prayer – Darrell Smothers  
Security – Frank Carmack

**Door Greeters for February**

South – Steve Carmack  
Center – Robert Taylor  
North – Joe Hunt

**Communion for February**

Joel and Betty Sutton

**February Birthdays**

- Mickey Hamlin– 12
- Darrell Smothers – 13
- Pam Carmack – 16
- Lillie Dennison – 20
- Pat Carmack – 21
- Doris Stocklin – 22
- Matt Blevins – 23
- Nick Arwood – 23
- Stella Young – 24
- Robert Halliburton – 26
- Mike White – 28



**Mark Your Calendars!**

- **Feb. 22<sup>nd</sup>** – Wednesday Winter Warmup Meals begin at 5:45 pm. Please see the menu on the table.
- **Mar. 1<sup>st</sup>** – Wednesday Winter Warmup Meals begin at 5:45 pm. Please see the menu on the table.
- **Feb. 28<sup>th</sup>** – Memphis Grizzlies Game. The price is \$10 and there is a sign-up sheet on the table. Please see David Snell with any questions.
- **April 1<sup>st</sup>** – Ladies’ Day at the Ripley church of Christ
- **April 30<sup>th</sup>** – Friends and Family Day at the Ripley church of Christ
- **June 4<sup>th</sup>-9<sup>th</sup>** – Reelfoot Youth Camp for ages 9-18.
- **June 19<sup>th</sup>-21<sup>st</sup>** – Vacation Bible School at the Ripley church of Christ
- **June 26<sup>th</sup>** – Summer Youth Series at the Ripley church of Christ at 7 pm.
- **July 16-19<sup>th</sup>** – Gospel Meeting at the Ripley church of Christ.

**What Are My Children Studying?**

- **Feb. 19<sup>th</sup>** – Lesson 23 – John the Baptist is Born – Luke 1:39-80
- **Feb. 22<sup>nd</sup>** – Lesson 24 – Birth of Jesus – Matthew 1:18-25; Luke 2:1-20
- **Feb. 26<sup>th</sup>** – Lesson 25 – Purification at the Temple; Wise Men Visit – Matthew 2:1-12; Luke 2:21-38

**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.
- Flossie Blevins (Matt Blevins’ grandmother) is in the hospital in Covington in very serious condition. Please keep the family in your prayers.
- Alan Sheckell (Synthia Gibson’s nephew) received a great report from the doctors. He is cancer free. Make sure to thank God for the wonderful news.
- David Murray (friend of the Hartman’s) is having a very serious surgery on the 27<sup>th</sup> to remove part of his esophagus due to cancer. Please keep him in your prayers.
- Julia Alley is having some swelling in her arm that is causing some problems. Please keep her in your prayers.
- Laura Bivens (June Roark’s brother’s step daughter) passed away. Her funeral services were held on Wednesday (2/8). Please keep her family in your prayers.
- Guylene Cultrer (kin of Julia Alley) has been diagnosed with leukemia. Please keep her in your prayers.
- Valencia Crook (kin of Julia Alley) has been diagnosed with breast cancer. Please keep her in your prayers.
- Marilyn Riley (former member in Gates) has been diagnosed with cancer. Please keep her in your prayers.
- Demetra Carmack has been diagnosed with breast cancer. She is scheduled to have surgery on March 2<sup>nd</sup>. Please keep her and the family in your prayers.
- Robert Taylor: Please keep brother Taylor and his family in your prayers. Mrs. Irene passed away on 1/12.
- Larry Carden continues to have radiation treatments in Dyersburg. Please keep him in your prayers.
- Mike White: Please keep him in your prayers as he rehabs and recovers from knee replacement surgery.
- Johnnie Matthews: Please continue to keep her and Gwinn in your prayers.
- WL Sandlin, Betty Brogdon, Gwinn Matthews, Eunice Dobbs, Marion Morris, Ronnie Tillman, Georgia Campbell, Tim Carmack, Lille Dennison, Ted Sutton, Joyce Blakemore, Seth May, Paula Tillman, Brenda Belton, Drexel Reed, Dot Mullins, Etta Hunt, Brenda Sutton, Don Sutton, 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)**