

THE RIPLEY BEACON

FROM

THE RIPLEY CHURCH OF CHRIST

February 5, 2017



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

Jesus Loves Me

“Jesus loves me this I know for the Bible tells me so.” Thus begins one of the most popular and familiar children’s songs. And many times we relegate this song to nothing more than one for our young. The truth is that this song teaches some very grown up lessons. This song echoes the sentiments of so many Bible verses. “By this we know love, because He laid down His life for us. And we ought to lay down our lives for the brethren” (1 John 3:16). There are three lessons that we want to notice from three of the verses.

The first lesson is seen in the first verse and in the title of the song: Jesus loves me. The Bible teaches us that Jesus and in like manner God loves us all. “For God so loved the world that He gave His only begotten Son, that whoever believes in Him should not perish but have everlasting life” (John 3:16). “Beloved, let us love one another, for love is of God; and everyone who loves is born of God and knows God. He who does not love does not know God, for God is love. In this the love of God was manifested toward us, that God has sent His only begotten Son into the world, that we might live through Him. In this is love, not that we loved God, but that He loved us and sent His Son to be the propitiation for our sins” (1 John 4:7-10).

These verses should provide a great deal of comfort. Jesus loves me, little ole me with all my mistakes and imperfections. Jesus loves me this I know. Do you know it? Are you convicted of it?

Next week, we will notice another great lesson from this song.
~Justin

Elders:

Larry Carden
Steve Carmack
Joe Hunt
David Snell

Deacons:

Pat Carmack
Tommy Climer
Gwinn Matthews
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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“Come Worship with Us!”

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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 January 29th

Attendance:

Sun. Bible Study – 77
Sun. AM Worship – 113
Sun. PM Worship – 76
Wed. Night (2/1) – 79

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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AM Bible Study:

Song Leader – Kenneth Roark
Audio/Visual – Bret Carmack
Devotional – David Bridges

AM Service:

Usher – Barry Bates/Darrell Smothers
Announcements – Tommy Climer
Song Leader – David Snell
Audio/Visual – Bret Carmack
Opening Prayer – Steve Carmack
Lord’s Supper – (S) Darrell Smothers
(S) W.L. Sandlin
(N) Raymond Neal
(N) John Dennison
(N) Kenny Kennedy

Closing Prayer – John Dennison
Security – Joel Sutton

PM Service:

Announcements – Tommy Climer
Song Leader – Kennedy Roark
Audio/Visual – Bret Carmack
Opening Prayer – David Snell
Lord’s Supper – Darrell Smothers
Closing Prayer – Mel Gibson
Security – Barry Bates

Wednesday Night:

Song Leader –
Audio/Visual – Bret Carmack
Opening Prayer – John Dennison
& Devotional
Closing Prayer – Pat Carmack
Security – Joel Sutton

Door Greeters for February

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

Communion for February

Joel and Betty Sutton

February Birthdays

- Zyriah Harper – 1
- Melanie Ballard – 7
- Jimmy Hartman– 8
- Mickey Hamlin– 12
- Darrell Smothers – 13
- Pam Carmack – 16
- Lillie Dennison – 20
- Pat Carmack – 21
- Doris Stocklin – 22
- Nick Arwood – 23
- Stella Young – 24
- Robert Halliburton – 26
- Mike White – 28



Mark Your Calendars!

- **Feb. 8th** – Wednesday Winter Warmup Meals begin at 5:45 pm. Please see the menu on the table.
- **Feb. 15th** – Wednesday Winter Warmup Meals begin at 5:45 pm. Please see the menu on the table.
- **April 1st** – Ladies’ Day at the Ripley church of Christ
- **April 30th** – Friends and Family Day at the Ripley church of Christ
- **June 4th-9th** – Reelfoot Youth Camp for ages 9-18.
- **June 19th-21st** – Vacation Bible School at the Ripley church of Christ
- **June 26th** – Summer Youth Series at the Ripley church of Christ at 7 pm.
- **July 16-19th** – Gospel Meeting at the Ripley church of Christ.

What Are My Children Studying?

- **Feb. 5th** – Lesson 19 – Writing on the Wall – Daniel 5
- **Feb. 8th** – Lesson 20 – Lions’ Den – Daniel 6
- **Feb. 12th** – Lesson 21 – Genealogy of Jesus – Matthew 1:1-17; Luke 3:23-38

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.
- 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.
- Carl Mays II (nephew of Jack and Carol Phillips) has kidney cancer which has spread to the blood. He has surgery scheduled for the 31st in Dallas. Please keep him in your prayers.
- Nelson Bonds (fiance of Sheryl Rose, member at Solo) is in Methodist Germantown on a ventilator. Please keep him in your prayers.
- Marilyn Riley (former member in Gates) has been diagnosed with cancer. Please keep her in your prayers.
- Terry Bibbs was hospitalized in Dyersburg on Wednesday (1/25) because of his heart. Please keep him in your prayers.
- Justin Hendrix had shoulder surgery on Thursday (1/12). Please keep him in your prayers as he recovers.
- Demetra Carmack has been diagnosed with breast cancer. She is scheduled to have surgery on March 2nd. 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 had knee replacement surgery on the 13th at Jackson Regional. Please keep him in your prayers as he rehabs and recovers.
- Johnnie Matthews is still dealing with serious health problems. Please keep her in your prayers.
- Laura Bivens (June Roark’s brother’s step daughter) is not doing well and hospice has been called in. Please keep her and the family in your prayers.
- Alan Sheckell’s (Synthia Gibson’s nephew) continues to battle cancer. His address is 803 S. 4th St., Hayti, MO 63851. Please keep him and his family 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.