

THE RIPLEY BEACON

FROM

THE RIPLEY CHURCH OF CHRIST

January 8, 2017



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

Noah

part 4

We have been looking at Noah and wanting to notice some characteristics that set him apart from the people of his time. There were five characteristics in all that we wanted to notice. We noticed the first two – He was a practicing man and a preparing man. Now let’s notice the third one.

Third, Noah was a *patient* man. God was longsuffering for 120 years. “And the Lord said, ‘My Spirit shall not strive with man forever, for he *is* indeed flesh; yet his days shall be one hundred and twenty years’” (Genesis 6:3). During those years, Noah did not give up on the promises of God but had patience. One may normally get a little impatient after 120 years elapsed without the fulfillment of the promise that was made, but God does not view time as we view time. There are numerous examples in scriptures where God worked out things on His timetable and not according to our timetable. It takes patience to inherit the promises of God.

The same is true today. “But, beloved, do not forget this one thing, that with the Lord one day *is* as a thousand years, and a thousand years as one day. The Lord is not slack concerning *His* promise, as some count slackness, but is longsuffering toward us, not willing that any should perish but that all should come to repentance” (2 Peter 3:8-9). God Has made us wonderful and precious promises, and we can rest assured that we will one day inherit those promises if we are faithful to the end (Revelation 2:10).

We need to be practicing, preparing, and patient people. Next week, we will continue to notice these characteristics that are worthy of our imitation.

~ Justin

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Steve Carmack
Joe Hunt
David Snell

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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 1st

Attendance:

Sun. Bible Study – 68
Sun. AM Worship – 96
Sun. PM Worship – 47
Wed. Night (1/4) – 67

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 – Rusty Kennedy

AM Service:

Usher – Barry Bates/Darrell Smothers
Announcements – Larry Carden
Song Leader – David Snell
Audio/Visual – Bret Carmack
Opening Prayer – Kenneth Roark
Lord’s Supper – (S) Steve Carmack
(S) John Dennison
(N) Rusty Kennedy
(N) Bryan Hartman
(N) Matt Blevins

Closing Prayer – John Dennison
Security – Frank Carmack

PM Service:

Announcements – Larry Carden
Song Leader – Kenneth Roark
Audio/Visual – Bret Carmack
Opening Prayer – David Snell
Lord’s Supper – Steve Carmack
Closing Prayer – Darrell Smothers
Security – Barry Bates

Wednesday Night:

Song Leader – Kenneth Roark
Audio/Visual – Bret Carmack
Opening Prayer – Raymond Neal
& Devotional
Closing Prayer – Pat Carmack
Security – David Bridges

Door Greeters for January

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

Communion for January

Robert Anderson

January Birthdays

- Terry Bibbs – 2
- Frank Carmack – 4
- Landon Carmack – 7
- Chrystal Hartman – 12
- Micah Paschall – 13
- Zahmyia Harper – 20
- Luke Hartman – 22
- Georgia Carden – 26



Mark Your Calendars!

- **Jan. 8th** – Ladies’ Meeting for those who want to *help organize* the upcoming Ladies’ Day.
- **Jan. 11th** – Wednesday Winter Warmup Meals begin at 5:45 pm. Please see the menu on the table.
- **Jan. 18th** – Wednesday Winter Warmup Meals begin at 5:45 pm. Please see the menu on the table.
- **Jan. 25th** – 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
- **July 16-19th** – Gospel Meeting at the Ripley church of Christ.

What Are My Children Studying?

- **Jan. 8th** – *Lesson 11* – Jacob and All His Family Go to Egypt – *Genesis 46*
- **Jan. 11th** – *Lesson 12* – The Egyptians Sell Everything for Food – *Genesis 47*
- **Jan. 15th** – *Lesson 13* – Jacob Gives the Birthright – *Genesis 48*

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.
- Demetra Carmack has been diagnosed with breast cancer. Please keep her and the family in your prayers.
- Heather Scallions (wife of Billy Scallions) is having surgery in a few days for a mass in her spinal sac. She is in Methodist University. Please keep her in your prayers.
- Meeka Paschall has been diagnosed with histoplasmosis which is a type of fungal infection. She will meet with an infectious disease doctor and go from there. Please continue to keep her in your prayers.
- Irene Taylor is back at the Lauderdale Community Hospital after completing her second round of chemo. The family still asks for no visitors at this time. Please keep her and the family in your prayers.
- Larry Carden has begun 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.
- Vickie Kennedy suffered a miscarriage. Please keep her and the family in your prayers.
- Aunita Emerson (Rita Hartman’s aunt) fell and had to have shoulder replacement surgery. Please keep her in your prayers as she recovers.
- Darrin Hamlin suffered a very serious injury to his thumb. Please keep him in your prayers.
- Johnnie Matthews is still dealing with serious health problems. Please keep her in your prayers.
- Amy Bridges is dealing with some health problems. Please keep her in your prayers.
- Laura Bivens (June Roark’s brother’s step daughter) is battling cancer. 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.
- Frank Bales has been diagnosed with cancer. He had surgery in Memphis to remove the mass between his heart and lung. Please keep him in your prayers.
- Joyce Dunaway (Mike White’s mom) is having back problems. Please keep her 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.