

THE RIPLEY BEACON

FROM

THE RIPLEY CHURCH OF CHRIST

June 18, 2017



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

The Power of the Gospel

Part 3

“For I am not ashamed of the gospel of Christ, for it is the power of God to salvation for everyone who believes, for the Jew first and also for the Greek. For in it the righteousness of God is revealed from faith to faith; as it is written, ‘The just shall live by faith’” (Romans 1:16-17). We have already noticed our first of five things concerning the power of the Gospel -The Gospel’s power can *convict* the sinner. Now, let’s notice another characteristic of the power of the Gospel.

Second, the Gospel’s power can *convert* the lost. There are numerous examples throughout the scriptures of the conversion of individuals through the preaching/teaching of the Gospel. It is also of note that this is the only way that individuals were/are converted under the Law of Christ. For the sake of space we will notice just one example.

“Then Philip opened his mouth, and beginning at this Scripture, preached Jesus to him. Now as they went down the road, they came to some water. And the eunuch said, ‘See, *here is* water. What hinders me from being baptized?’ Then Philip said, ‘If you believe with all your heart, you may.’ And he answered and said, ‘I believe that Jesus Christ is the Son of God.’ So he commanded the chariot to stand still. And both Philip and the eunuch went down into the water, and he baptized him. Now when they came up out of the water, the Spirit of the Lord caught Philip away, so that the eunuch saw him no more; and he went on his way rejoicing” (Acts 8:35-39). The eunuch heard the Gospel, responding in obedience, and went on his way rejoicing because he had been converted from lost to saved. The Gospel has the power to convert.

Next week, we will continue to notice things concerning the power of the Gospel.

~Justin

Elders:

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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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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 June 11th

Attendance:

Sun. Bible Study – 78
Sun. AM Worship – 95
Sun. PM Worship – not counted
Wed. Night (6/14) – 64

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 – David Bridges
Devotional – John Dennison

AM Service:

Usher – Barry Bates/Darrell Smothers
Announcements – Larry Carden
Song Leader – David Snell
Audio/Visual – David Bridges
Opening Prayer – Steve Carmack
Lord’s Supper – (S) Raymond Neal
(S) Mike White
(N) Rusty Kennedy
(N) MacArthur Watkins
(N) Kenny Kennedy

Closing Prayer – Joe Carmack
Security – Barry Bates

PM Service:

Announcements – Larry Carden
Song Leader – David Snell
Audio/Visual – David Bridges
Opening Prayer – David Snell
Lord’s Supper – Raymond Neal
Closing Prayer – Mel Gibson
Security – Frank Carmack

Wednesday Night:

Song Leader – David Snell
Audio/Visual – David Bridges
Opening Prayer – Darrell Smothers
& Devotional
Closing Prayer – Steve Carmack
Security – Jimmy Hartman

Door Greeters for June

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

Communion for June

Kenneth and June Roark

June Birthdays

- Mariah Carmack – 3
- MacArthur Watkins – 3
- Joel Sutton – 4
- Mary Barnett – 4
- June Bates – 7
- Luke Crook – 7
- Kenneth Roark – 8
- Steve Carmack – 9
- Linsey Tharpe – 10
- Harrison Paschall – 14
- Joyce Blakemore – 18
- Gwinn Mathews – 19



Mark Your Calendars!

- **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?

- **June 18th** – *Lesson 57* – Plagues of Livestock, Boils, and Hail – *Exodus 9*
- **June 21st** – *Lesson 58* – Plagues of Locust and Darkness – *Exodus 10*
- **June 25th** – *Lesson 59* – First Passover – *Exodus 11, 12:1-20*

Pantry Need

We are currently in need of canned meats (tuna and chicken, especially).

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.
- Randy Roark, Jr. has been diagnosed with colon, kidney, and lung cancer. Please keep him in your prayers as they discuss treatments options on July 3rd.
- Gwinn Matthews turns 87 on Monday (6/19). His address is on the bulletin board. He would enjoy a card even if it is a couple of days late.
- Leslie Barnes had a mini stroke on Wednesday (6/14) and was treated in the local ER. Please keep her in your prayers.
- Billy Renner (Justin Paschall’s uncle) passed away. Funeral services were held on Saturday (6/10). Please keep the family in your prayers.
- Frank Shelton (Tommy Climer’s brother-in-law) is not doing well and is currently under hospice care. Please keep this family in your prayers.
- Lloyd Sanders (Rae Sanders’ son) fell and broke his neck. He is currently in a rehab facility in Bruce, TN. Please keep him in your prayers.
- Amanda Clark had another stay in the hospital due to an infection. Please continue to keep her in your prayers.
- Brenda Sutton is still recovering from her surgery last month. Please keep her in your prayers.
- Robert Taylor is tentatively scheduled to have knee replacement surgery on July 11th, pending the ok from his cardiologist. He will see his cardiologist for a cath on Wednesday. Please keep him in your prayers.
- Mike White’s surgery was more extensive than originally planned. He is at home. Please keep him in your prayers as he recovers.
- Bobby Mullins’ (Micah’s father) was rescheduled for Friday (6/23). Please continue to keep him in your prayers.
- Demetra Carmack is battling breast cancer. She has finished her radiation treatments. Please keep her and the 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.
- Johnnie Matthews, 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)