

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 13th

Attendance:

Sun. Bible Study – 76

Sun. AM Worship – 111

Sun. PM Worship – 66

Wed. Night (1/16) – 86

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

The Proof of Prophecy-Part 1

The question of “Is the Bible inspired?” is of paramount importance. If the Bible is inspired by our Creator, then it should and must be the guide for how we live and conduct ourselves. If it is not inspired, then any book will do. The masses reject the inspiration of scriptures because they would rather have the flexibility to be ruled by their own judgments and by their own standard. If they reject the notion of God and His Word, then they become their own god and they decide what is right and wrong. To accept it as the inspired Word of God means that it becomes the standard; it determines right from wrong; it is unchangeable, and I must submit to it.

Since it is necessary for a person to accept the Bible as the Word of God in order to be obedient to God, we must be able to prove this to people. While there are many different proofs for the inspiration of the Bible, this series of articles will focus on one of those – prophecy. Before we notice some specific prophecies found in God’s Word, we must emphasize four principles of prophecy (2 in this article and 2 in the next article).

First, true prophecies are stated emphatically. They are not stated as maybes or possibilities, but as certainties. They are not filled with contingencies. The only exception is if you are dealing with conditional prophecies (the most common being when God would tell Israel that they were going into captivity unless they came back to Him). True prophecies are stated as matters of fact.

Second, a significant time frame must elapse between the time the prophecy is made and the time in which it is fulfilled. This is required so that it removes the possibility of an educated guess. Someone could prophesy who is going to win the Superbowl this year, and they may get it right. This would be an educated guess. Now if someone said that the Browns were going to win in 2040 with the exact score and that happened, then we might have some questions as to how he knew that. True prophecies remove the possibility of an educated guess.

Next week we will look at two more principles of true prophecy.

~Justin

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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!”

AM Bible Study:

Song Leader – David Snell
Audio/Visual – Bryan Hartman
Devotional – Robert Taylor

AM Service:

Usher – Barry Bates/Darrell Smothers
Announcements – Tommy Climer
Song Leader – David Snell
Audio/Visual – Bryan Hartman
Opening Prayer – Darrell Smothers
Lord’s Supper – (S) Joe Hunt
(S) John Dennison
(N) MacArthur Watkins
(N) Bret Carmack
(N) Tommy White

Closing Prayer – John Dennison
Security – Barry Bates

PM Service:

Announcements – Tommy Climer
Song Leader – David Snell
Audio/Visual – Bryan Hartman
Opening Prayer – Robert Anderson
Lord’s Supper – Joe Hunt
Closing Prayer – Steve Carmack
Security – Frank Carmack

Wednesday Night:

Song Leader – MacArthur Watkins
Audio/Visual – Bryan Hartman
Opening Prayer – Darrell Smothers
& Devotional
Closing Prayer – David Bridges
Security – Robert Anderson

Door Greeters for January

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

Communion for January

Bret and Johanna Carmack

January Birthdays

- Frank Carmack – 4
- Landon Carmack – 7
- Brent White – 11
- Chrystal Hartman – 12
- Micah Paschall – 13
- Rebecca White – 18
- Perrilyn Cherry – 19
- Zahmyia Harper – 20
- Luke Hartman – 22
- Alyssa Dunn – 22
- TJ White – 24
- Judy Anderson – 24
- Georgia Carden – 26



What Are My Children Studying?

- **Jan. 20th** - Lesson 223 – Aaron’s Rod that Budded; Levites and Priests’ Share; Uncleaness – Numbers 17-19
- **Jan. 23rd** - Lesson 221 – Report of the 12 Spies – Numbers 13-14
- **Jan. 27th** - Lesson 222 – Laws and the Great Rebellion – Numbers 15-16

Mark Your Calendars!

- **Jan. 17th** – Ladies’ Bible Class at 6 pm in the Fellowship Hall.
- **Jan. 23rd** – Wednesday Night Winter Warmup Meals at 5:45. See menu on white table.
- **Jan. 31st** – Ladies’ Bible Class at 6 pm in the Fellowship Hall.
- **Jan. 30th** – Wednesday Night Winter Warmup Meals at 5:45. See menu on white table.
- **Feb. 6th** – Wednesday Night Winter Warmup Meals at 5:45. See menu on white table.

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.
- Tommy Watts (David Watts’ brother) is in the Covington Hospital. Please keep him in your prayers.
- Jere Pierce (Jimmy Hartman’s brother-in-law) passed away (1/11). A memorial service was held on Monday (1/14). Please keep the family in your prayers.
- Walt and Heather Hunt have moved to Richland, WA. Please keep them in your prayers during this transition.
- Larry Tillman’s sister, Beverly Haislip, passed away. The funeral was Sunday (12/23). She was also a first cousin to Linda and June. Please keep this family in your prayers.
- Gene Campbell had a procedure to remove a malignant tumor from his bladder. Please keep him in your prayers.
- Burt Lussier is having some serious health problems. Please keep him and Rita in your prayers.
- Eunice Dobbs is back home now. Please keep her in your prayers.
- Lillie Dennison has been having some problems. She continues to see doctors to try and get some answers. Please keep her in your prayers.
- Linda Climer was in an automobile accident recently and suffered minor injuries. She is doing much better. Please keep her in your prayers as she recovers.
- BC Underwood continues to recover at home. Please keep him and Darlene in your prayers.
- Ted Sutton is dealing with some health related issues. Please keep him in your prayers.
- Elaine Throgmorton (Francis Harrell’s sister-in-law) fell and broke her shoulder. Please keep her in your prayers as she recovers.
- Martha Dugger (Francis Harrell’s sister) has had to have some skin cancer removed. She also has another procedure scheduled soon. Please keep her in your prayers.
- Beverly Sanders is dealing with sciatic nerve pain which is affecting her mobility. Please keep her in your prayers.
- Tim Etheridge (Nancy Etheridge’s son) is dealing with several health problems. Please keep him in your prayers.
- Pam Carmack is still recovering from injuries to her leg. Please keep her in your prayers.
- Paul Bridges (David Bridges’ brother) is back at work. The cancer is responding favorably to the treatments thus far. Please continue to keep him in your prayers.
- WL Sandlin continues to battle cancer. Please keep him in your prayers.
- Matthew Buckner, Ann Paschall, Patti Jolicoeur, Kenny Kennedy, Brenda Sutton, Sonny Arwood, Robert Taylor, Josephine Latham, Johnnie Matthews, Marion Morris, Joyce Blakemore, Drexel Reed, Betty Binkley, and Everett & Mary Presson: Please keep these individuals in your prayers.