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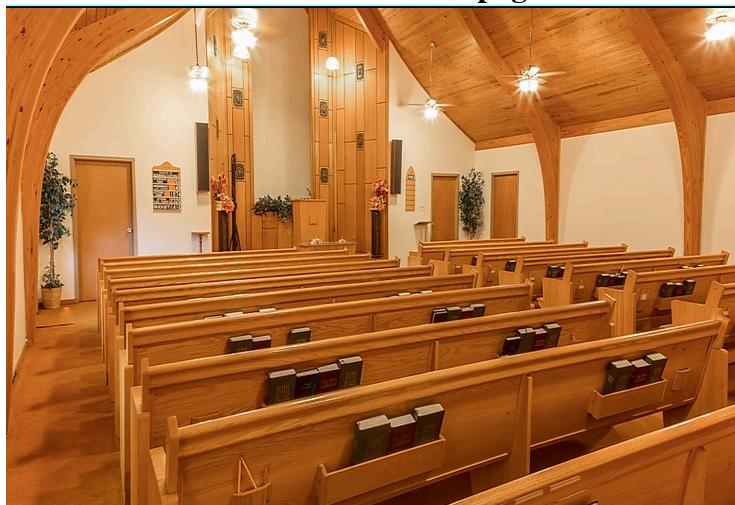
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Sunday Morning Bible Study @ 9:30AM (Auditorium only)

Studying from the Book "Muscle and a Shovel"

Sunday Morning Worship Service @ 10:30AM

Men please meet @ 10:20AM before services!

Sunday Evening Youtube Service @ 6:00PM

Monday's Dinner & Bible Study @ the Seim's
Lessons from the book of Nehemiah, See Mark or Jane if interested.

Tuesday Night Women's Class @ 6:30PM

Is resuming Jan-10th, see Noreen for details.

Wednesday Night Zoom Bible study @ 7:00PM

No meeting @ the Bldg.

This weeks study from 1 Corinthians 14:13-25.

(Request Zoom invite from Steve Robertson @ quinsdad@yahoo.com or the churches email address)

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FROM THE PEW!

How Are You Going To Win If You Are Not Right Within!

Without Spiritual Growth Numerical Growth Won't Happen!

We Should Worship God For Who He Is And Praise Him For What He Does For Us!

What are your talents and do Christians have any?

What are your gifts and do Christians have them?

Are they the same?

Everyone has talents or gifts that GOD has given them and it's up to us to use them. There are some who sit with someone in the hospital, some who can handle finances for the church, some who know how to fix electrical equipment for the church, etc., and it's for the betterment of GOD's word and His church which is US. We just have to know what we are good at and use it for the glory of GOD. If you can go to your job every day and work for "the man" then you can work for GOD. You were trained to do so, but then you tell GOD and your fellow brothers and sisters you don't know your talent/gift... *HOGWASH!* It's better that you say you don't want to work in GOD's vineyard!!! Spiritual gifts are blessings or abilities given by GOD to His children through the power of the Holy Spirit. They are given to bless and benefit those who love the Lord and seek to keep GOD's commandments.

WISDOM: James 1:5, 1 Corinthians 12:8

UNDERSTANDING: Proverbs 3:5, Proverbs 3:13-18; Matthew 6:33

COUNSEL: Proverbs 12:15, Psalms 1:1-6

FORTITUDE: 1 Timothy 6:11; 2 Timothy 2:3; 1 Peter 1:5-6; Proverbs 31:17

KNOWLEDGE: Proverbs 18:15, 1 Corinthians 12:8

PIETY: Matthew 6:1-21

FEAR OF THE LORD: Ecclesiastes 12:13

HUMOR: Remember when YOU make plans GOD laughs!

God Created Good

"In the beginning, God created the heaven and earth." Within days, God would make mankind. Man did not know good from evil, but he did know what God had commanded him to do and what not to do. God declared what He had created was good. When a child is still in the womb, the apostle Paul directed by the Spirit of God declares a child has *"done nothing either good or bad"* (**Romans 9:11**). The prophet Ezekiel proclaims the Word of God in **Ezekiel 28:15** declaring the king of Tyre was blameless in his ways from the day he was created (all children are). **Ezekiel 18:20** teaches that a son does not inherit the sins of his father. Finally, **Matthew 18:3** *"... Verily I say unto you, Except ye be converted, and become as little children, ye shall not enter into the kingdom of heaven."* Men are encouraged to be like children, because Children are good and innocent, not sinful. All the above being presented, when someone living a life contrary to the pattern established by scripture makes the statement *"God made me this way"*, what is to be made of it?

Micah 6:8 *"He has told you, o man, what is good; and what does the Lord require of you but to do justice, and to love kindness, and to walk humble with your God?"* Walking humbly with God, is when someone avoids living a lifestyle identified as sinful in the eyes of God. God created man good, so when man does something evil, it is their own choice. **James 1:14-15** *"But every man is tempted, when he is drawn away of his own lust, and enticed. Then when lust hath conceived, it bringeth forth sin: and sin, when it is finished, bringeth forth death."* Making the choice to sin is what all mankind apart from Jesus has done. **Romans 3:23** *"For all have sinned, and come short of the glory of God;"*. However, though a person chooses to sin, they can also choose to walk in righteousness instead of sin. Sin does not have to become an individual's way of life. God did not make man that way. The idea God made man sinful is completely false.

Today, our society rightly teaches a person that they have the choice to engage in *homosexuality, have sex with someone to whom they are not married, commit adultery, engage in watching pornography, drink*

alcohol, use marijuana & other drugs socially, dress immodestly, pretend they are not their biological sex, gossip, cheat, be unkind, be dishonorable to their parents, lie, disobey law, create their own morality, and so much more. Television, radio, the internet, universities, high schools, elementary schools, government officials, and the world around them screams *"Your body! Your choice!"*

Yes, they are right. God gives man the choice to obey Him in righteousness or to commit sin against God and man to their own destruction.

Acts 17:30-31 *"... And the times of this ignorance God winked at but now commandeth all men everywhere to repent: Because he hath appointed a day, in the which he will judge the world in righteousness..."* **2 Thessalonians 1:7-9** *"And to you who are troubled rest with us, when the Lord Jesus shall be revealed from heaven with his mighty angels, In flaming fire taking vengeance on them that know not God, and that obey not the gospel of our Lord Jesus Christ: Who shall be punished with everlasting destruction from the presence of the Lord, and from the glory of his power;"* This is the end result of the choices the world is encouraging you to make.

You are lying to yourself if you think God made you to engage in sin. In fact, *"...we are His workmanship, created in Christ Jesus unto good works, which God hath before ordained that we should walk in them."* The good that God wants us to walk in is characterized by *"love, joy, peace, patience, kindness, goodness, faithfulness, gentleness, [and] self-control"*.

This is what God has created you to represent. God created you in His image. Jesus was the *"exact imprint"* of the nature of God. He taught that those who saw Him, had seen the Father. If he was the image of God, and He was sinless, then that is exactly how you were created. If you are engaged in sin, break free from that captivity. Return to the abundant life of purity God created you to fulfill.

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SERVING TODAY

Bible Class: Bro. Russell Weems
Streaming/Audio: Bro. Russell Weems
Song Leader: Bro. Lee Christensen
Announcements: Bro. Russell Weems
Opening Prayer: Bro. Ron Clevenger
Communion: Bro. Javier Perez
Reading: Bro. Andy Figueroa
Sermon: Bro. Mark Seim
Closing Prayer: Bro. Steve Robertson

Worship Order

Call to Worship (Himno)
Announcements
Opening Prayer (Oracion)
Hymn (Himno)
Lord's Supper (Santa Cena)
Hymn (Himno)
Reading- *John 20:20-21*
Sermon- *Sir, We Would See Jesus*
Invitational Hymn (Himno)
Closing Hymn (Himno)
Closing Prayer (Oracion)

CONGREGATIONAL NOTES

- Wayne Burger from Colorado will be preaching here next Sunday. The title of his lesson is "Prepare to Bear," and it will come from John 15:1-11. We all look forward to hearing him.
- Congregational Meeting the last Sunday in February.
- **CHURCH DIRECTORY UPDATE-** Russell & Ron are working on updating the church directory. Please verify or update your info @ **DIRECTORY EMAIL LINK**, or see Ron or Russell.

FOOD BANK/CLOTHING

Please bring in non-perishable items to help keep it stocked.

Items needed; *Peanut Butter & Jelly, Packets of Tuna Fish (not cans).*

There is also a portable clothing rack in which you can bring in clothing (*good shape*) to share.



COMMUNITY OUTREACH MINISTRY

If you feel like helping out with this ministry see *Bill Wills* or *Javier Perez*.

Bill Wills: (609)481-8739 (C), (609)652-8311(H)

Javier Perez: (609)553-3990.

Bring Items (*good shape*) for the Blue Barrel in the foyer.

- *Knit Hats, Crew Socks, Gloves, Sweat Shirts*
- *Tuna packets, Cheese & cracker packs, Granola bars*
- *Sandwich bags, Cloth bags*
- *Underwear- Medium/Large (Mens & women's)*
- *Woman's hygiene products.*

Proverbs 22:9

*He who has a generous eye will be blessed,
For he gives of his bread to the poor.*

PRAYER REQUEST

Pray for those who request prayers-James 5:16

Our Members

- Thanks to all that called me, texted me, visited, offered their services and given food. This is what we are to do for our brothers and sisters. And since I didn't get a chance to say this to all, **HAPPY YEAR TO ALL**

Melissa

- *Debi R-R*, is doing better.
- *Oneida and her family's health issues.*
- *Dave & Helen Peters*, recovery efforts in Fl.
- *Paul Denson*, health issues.
- *Virginia Hesser*, health.
- *Tim Height*, he cannot get around very well.
- *Natalie*, pain issues.
- *Teri Clevenger*, dealing with back pain.
- *Elsie*, health.
- *Analois Walker* is ok.

FRIENDS & RELATIVES

- *James Davis*, died this past week from the severe burns he received on Christmas day. Please pray for the family.
- *Wendy Garwood*, friend of the Weems is suffering from the effects of undiagnosed diabetes & still in the hospital.
- *Gary Smalls*, (*Ruth's Son-in-law*) in the hospital in AC, still trying to heal.
- *Carl Robinson* ankle replacement surgery, a relative of the Wills.
- *Jack Keenan*, Linda Meredith's brother-in-law suffering from cancer. Also her sister is off chemo & doing better.
- *Cardo Urso*, Friend of Becca's father, motorcycle accident, broken pelvis, broken jaw and surgery to repair his tendons in his wrist. Long recovery ahead.
- *Otis Williams*, Miranda Perez's grandfather, his prostate cancer has spread to the bones.
- *Debbie R.R.* sister recovering from bypass surgery, also pray that she will return to the church.
- *Harry Keithline*, health issues, Christensen's brother-in-law.
- *Andy's son Christopher* is getting better.
- Prayers for *Benji* as he has good & bad days.
- *Rit Crema's health-* Noreen's dad.
- *Natalie's S-I-L Lorraine Adkisson*, her friends mother *Eileen Eisenhut* & her friend *Nicole Monhollen*.

CONGREGATIONAL PRAYERS

- For the recovery in Florida after the hurricane.
- For the refugees of the war in the Ukraine.
- *Zambia* (Continued Relief).
- *Toms River Church of Christ.*
- *Cape May Courthouse Church of Christ.*
- *Newark Church of Christ.*

SIR, WE WOULD SEE JESUS

John 20:20-21

Have you ever thought of some the great people in history that you would like to have met? As we see from today's Scripture, there were folks who desired to see Jesus while he was here on earth. I guess the question here is this; Just what **did** people see when they saw Jesus. With that, this morning we can apply that to what we see.

I. The Saw The Son Of God

(A) His Coming to Earth did not make Him any less God than before He came

(1) John 12:28; John 1:3, 14

(2) Luke 2:11

II. John Saw The Lamb Of God

(A) The Lamb of God Could take Away Sin

(1) John 1:29; Isaiah 53:7

III. Stephen Saw Jesus On God's Right Hand

(A) It cannot be Denied That Jesus is at God's Right Hand

(1) Acts 7:56; Colossians 3:1

IV. Jesus Is the Author And Finisher Of Our Faith

(A) Jesus **Must** be Obeyed

(1) Hebrews 12:1-2, 5:8-9

V. Some Saw Him Dying

(A) Jesus **is** the Crucified One

(1) John 19:37; Zechariah 12:10

(2) Hebrews 2:9; Luke 23:35; Matthew 27:35-36

Conclusion... We all see people, whether famous or not, in different ways. I hope that what we have seen in today's lesson reflects how we are to see Jesus. The prophet Micah 7:7 records this; *"But as for me. I will watch expectantly for the Lord; I will wait for the God of my salvation. My God will hear me."* This is the Jesus that we have come to know in our Bibles. It is great to see Him.

Notes:

WHAT MUST I DO TO BE SAVED ?		
Both Jesus and the apostles (guided by the Holy Spirit) taught that to be saved, it is necessary that one:		
Hear	Romans 10:13-17	John 6:45 Revelation 1:3
Believe	John 2:30-31	Hebrews 11:6 Acts 16:31
Repent	Luke 13:3-5	Acts 2:38 Acts 17:30-31
Confess	Matthew 10:32-33 Romans 10:9-10	
Be Baptized	Mark 16:15-16 Acts 2:38	1 Peter 3:21 Acts 22:16
Live Godly	Titus 2:11-14	Romans 12:1-2 2 Peter 1:5-11