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SCHEDULE OF SERVICES: Secretary: Wilma Alexander

Mon. - Fri....... 8:00 AM - 12:00 PM

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7:00 PM 9:30 AM ... 6:00 PM **WEDNESDAY:** PM Worship..... AM Worship.. Bible Classes. Bible Classes.

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May Activities

May 10th----Mother's Day

May 12th----Ladies Night Out/ Meet at the building @ 5:30 PM

May 17th----Learning to Serve @ 3 PM

May 29th----New Boston High School Graduation @ 8 PM

May 31st---Ice Cream Supper to honor our graduates.

BIBLE LESSON TEXT

Sun. May 10—Last of Judah-2 Kings 24; 2 Kings 25; Jer. 29;



2 Chronicles 36

Wed. May 13—Valley of Dry Bones Ezek. 37

OUR FAITH IN ACTION SUNDAY, May 3, 2015

| Bible Classes——— | 95 |
|--------------------|------------|
| AM Worship——— | 105 |
| PM Worship | 74 |
| Contribution———— | \$3,839.25 |
| Average to Date——— | \$3,230.19 |
| Budget to Date——— | \$3,243.00 |
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Wednesday, April 29-



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The Faithfulness of Jesus (Part 2)

Last week, we looked at Hebrews 3:1-6 and consider the superiority of Jesus to Moses. Jesus was superior in three ways: (1) He built the house of Moses, (2) He is the God of Moses, and (3) He is the heir of God's house. By setting Jesus' faithfulness alongside Moses' faithfulness, the Holy Spirit is comparing the two, and Jesus' faithfulness is shown to be superior to Moses' faithfulness (for the above mentioned reasons). Now here is the question the Holy Spirit is posing to Christians thinking of returning to Judaism: Do you want to be part of Moses' house or Jesus' house? Moses' house was built by a greater than Moses; Jesus' house was built by none greater. Moses is a man: Jesus is God. Moses is a servant; Jesus is the Son. It should be obvious that one would want to be part of Jesus' house, not Moses' house. Therefore, to be part of Jesus' house, one must put one's faith in Jesus, not Moses. But this begs the question, "Why did God even give us the Mosaic system?"

Consider the purpose of the Mosaic system as revealed in Galatians 3:24: "Wherefore the law was our schoolmaster to bring us unto Christ, that we might be justified by faith." Physically, God brought the Messiah to Israel, but spiritually, God brought Israel to the Messiah. The Mosaic Covenant was God's tool for doing that—a system that would bring the nation of Israel to the Messiah. It was never God's intention for that system to become their ultimate object of faith. Rather, God wanted them to put their faith in the Messiah, Jesus. Nevertheless, to many Jews, the Mosaic Law became a system of salvation in and of itself that was isolated from the Messiah. Its intended purpose was perverted, and it became a works-based system; such is what happens when Jesus ceases to be the focus. Herein is a great truth: When we stop looking to Jesus, any action or set of actions becomes a works-based system of salvation just like the Mosaic Law. God always intended our faith to rest in the faithfulness of Jesus the Messiah and His work. If God would not accept Moses' faithfulness as the final object of faith, then con't pg. 3

MAY 10, 2015 SERVANTS

AM PRAYERS PM PRAYERS

Ernest Shelton Ben Dooley
Thomas McGee Russell Tyndell

Announcements: Scott Hobson

LORD'S TABLE: Jimmy Smith, Jerry Yates, Jody Thomas & James Williams

Sunday Evening Communion.. James

VISITOR CARDS.....Sawyer Hobson

Chance Powell

PM PRAYERS

Williams

WEDNESDAY NIGHT CLOSING PRAYER MAY 13, 2015

Jerry Yates

MAY 17, 2015 SERVANTS

AM PRAYERS

Weaver Mills Justin Tyndell Larry Stinson Jim Scarbrough

Announcements: Scott Hobson

LORD'S TABLE: Jimmy Smith, Jerry Yates Jody Thomas & James Williams

Sunday Evening Communion: James

Williams

VISITOR CARDS......Sawyer Hobson

Gavin Cauley

If you are unable to serve, please call Billy Johnson @ 903.628.5827



"Happy Birthday" to Shara Hobson on 5/12; Janice Love on 5/14 and Stacia Raney on 5/15.

Peyton Richardson (grand daughter of Janiece Richardson);
Jan Lansford (sister-in-law of the Raney); Paul Curbow; Alan Wright (son of Renee Wright); Phil Williams and Roberta Watson.

Camp Ida registrations are due in by May 31st. Check the foyer for the forms.

The two hardest things to handle in life are failure and success. Unknown

SYMPATHY

Our deepest sympathy is extended to Janie Boswell on the death of her brother, W. G. Foster.

GOD'S SALVATION PLAN

1. HEAR the gospel---Romans 10:17
2. Believe on the Lord & His Word
Mark 16:16; John 8:24

3. REPENT of our sins Luke 13:3,5; Acts 17:30

4. CONFESS Christ

Matthew 10:32; Luke 12:8; Romans 10:9 5. BE BAPTIZED for the remission of sins

Acts 2:38; Mark 16:16; Galatíans 3:27; 1 Peter 3:21

6. Live a FAITHFUL, dedicated life Revelation 2:10; 2 Peter 1:5-10 why would God accept anyone else's? Yet, this is exactly what some do: erect a house of cards devised by men to substitute or augment what Christ has done. Such systems range from the grandest denominational design to the smallest fragment of mental trust placed in human provision—any system (whether verbally explicit or mentally contrived) that would augment or replace Jesus and what He has done as an object of faith.

What is it that Christ has done? That is best summed up in the words of Isaiah: "LORD, thou wilt ordain peace for us: for thou also hast wrought all our works in us" (Isaiah 26:12). In other words, Christ did what we needed to do, but were not able to do. Paul tells us in 2 Corinthians 5:21, "For he hath made him to be sin for us, who knew no sin; that we might be made the righteousness of God in him." Doing what we could not do and paying the penalty that we could not pay is the heart of His faithfulness, and that is what I believe and trust for my salvation. Paul puts it this way, "Where is boasting then? It is excluded. By what law? of works? Nay: but by the law of faith. Therefore we conclude that a man is justified by faith without the deeds of the law" (Romans 3:27-28).

Whatever deeds of law we contrive will fail next to the faithfulness of Jesus. Our efforts always fall short. Only faith in Jesus will satisfy, and every other system or plan that is erected absolutely fails to bring true confidence, joy, and hope, but if we place our faith and trust in Jesus, our confidence, joy, and hope cannot fail. Regardless how novel and effective they might be, the systems, plans, and devices of man cannot do what Christ did, and neither can we. May we ever place our faith in Him and His faithfulness for our salvation.

The Un-possessed, The Possessed, and the Re-possessed

In relationship to Christianity, man falls into 3 basic categories: un-possessed, possessed, and re-possessed. The "un-possessed" is really a misnomer. Everyone is "possessed" by someone, whether it be by God or by Satan. All those who have opted to direct their own steps (Jeremiah 10:23) and not follow the Lord in this category. The "possessed" are those who have determined within their hearts and minds to dedicate their lives to God. Both the apostle Paul & Peter identified those in this category as being a "peculiar people" (Titus 2:14; 1 Peter 2:9), meaning that they were God's own possession. In God's eyes, the "possessed" are precious jewels (Malachi 3:17). The "re-possessed" are those who, having once heard the truth, have become entangled once again in the ways of the world. Theses are the erring, the ones needing encouragement to return to God (James 5:19-20). Remember, only those who are faithful "possessions" of God will receive the inheritance "reserved in heaven" (1 Pet. 1:4).