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BIBLE CLASS LESSON TEXTS:

<b>Sunday</b> <b>March 10, 2019</b> Sodom and Gomorrha Genesis 18:16-33; 19:1-29	<b>Wednesday</b> <b>March 14, 2019</b> Isaac and Ishmael Genesis 21:1-20
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GOD'S SALVATION PLAN

Divine Love:	John 3:16
God's Grace:	Ephesians 2:8
Christ's Blood:	Romans 5:9
The Holy Spirit's Gospel:	Romans 1:16
Sinner's Faith:	Acts 16:31
Sinner's Repentance:	Luke 13:3
Sinner's Confession:	Romans 10:10
Sinner's Baptism	1 Peter 3:21
Christian Work:	James 2:24
Christian Hope:	Romans 8:24
Christian's Endurance:	Revelation 2:10

SERVICES

SUNDAY:	WEDNESDAY:
Bible Class 9:30 AM	Ladies class 10:00 AM
Worship 10:25 AM	Bible Classes 7:00 PM
Worship 6:00 PM	

OUR FAITH IN ACTION

Attendance	
Wednesday, February 27	63
Sunday, March 3	
Bible Class	78
Morning Worship	101
Evening Worship	111
Contribution	
Budget	\$3,100.00
Sunday, March 3	\$3,080.00
Average	\$2,936.59



Protecting What Doesn't Need Protecting

The word protection means to defend, guard, cover, or shield against loss. We get insurance as "protection" against loss from fire. We may want a lock and key on our house to protect us against loss from intruders. We may use firearms as personal protection against loss of life. Most people want protection for something, but what happens when we seek to protect something that doesn't need to be protected? It could lead to some bad results. In the most extreme cases, someone might get hurt.

There are some things that don't need to be protected. Many try to protect themselves from the consequences of their own sins instead of confessing them and asking for forgiveness (James 5:16). This will simply create more shame and lead to withdrawal from others. Sometimes people try to protect their worthless possessions (Luke 12:15). Jealousy will create suspicion, undermine love, and destroy friendships. Protecting unscriptural religious traditions will create strife and cause divisions in the church (1 Corinthians 3:3).

Why do we protect things that don't need to be protected? Pride reasons that the self will be destroyed! (It is really pride that will be destroyed, a good thing.) Pride will then lead us to bite, kick, scratch, and claw at one another for "protection." Paul wrote, "But if you bite and devour one another, beware lest you be consumed by one another!" (Galatians 5:15). Instead of trying to protect and hold onto our sinful pride, we should follow Jesus' advice: "If anyone desires to come after Me, let him deny himself, and take up his cross, and follow Me. For whoever desires to save his life will lose it, but whoever loses his life for My sake will find it" (Matthew 16:24-25).

God bless you, and I love you.

Kevin Cauley

<b>March 10, 2019 Servants</b>		<b>Prayer List</b>	
Announcements: John David Thomas		<b>Members</b>	
<b>AM Prayers</b>	<b>PM Prayers</b>	Marie McPherson	Robin Upson
Jimmy Smith	Ernest Shelton	Marie Howard	Charles Tuck
Derrell Patterson	Weaver Mills	Juanita Higginbotham	Marie Robertson
<b>Lord's Table</b>		Roberta Watson	Rinalda Failoni
Mike Raney	Ben Dooley	<b>Family/Friends</b>	
Jim Patterson	Blake Tyndell	Kimberly Smithson	Ricky Champion
PM Communion: Jim Patterson		Chance Powell	Joe Higginbotham
Visitors Cards: Maddux Tyndell		Helen Smithson	Kenny Stewart
<b>March 17, 2019 Servants</b>		Faith Salfen	Terry Woods
Announcements: John David Thomas		<b>Shut-Ins</b>	
<b>Am Prayers</b>	<b>PM Prayers</b>	Faye Anderson	Keith & Helen Clark
Johnny Thomas	Scott Overstreet	Sue Yarberr	Winnie Tucker
Monty Crawford	Jody Thomas	Melda Spencer	Jeraldine Wages
<b>Lord's Table</b>		<b>Pantry Item:</b> drink boxes	
Mike Raney	Ben Dooley	<b>Birthdays</b>	
Jim Patterson	Blake Tyndell	Sandra Conley	March 11
PM Communion: Jim Patterson		Amanda Ervin	March 11
Visitors Cards: Logan Wages		Meg Shelton	March 11
<i>If for some reason you cannot serve, please call Mike Raney-903-559-4141, or John D. Thomas-903-490-5572</i>		Melvin Smithson	March 13



**News and Notes--Please Remember**

- Daylight Savings Time begins--set clocks forward 1 hr Saturday night or Sunday morning!
- **Men's class** (on Tuesday) will not meet this week, but **Ladies' Night Out** is still set to take place on the 12th.
- **Learning to Serve** for March will take place on the 17th.
- Kevin and family have vacation this week for **Spring Break**. He will be back in the pulpit March 17th.

**Walking With God**

Walking with God makes life so much more bearable. You always have someone to talk to. Someone is always there for you. So many times we don't know what to do or how we are going to do it. With God we don't have to worry about these things.

It is amazing as you look back how God works in your life. His ways are not our ways. Turning your life over to Him is a matter of faith. Each step we take in faith leads us closer to God and His will for our lives. If you will give Him the chance, what He may do with you may surprise you.

Remember Joseph. How could he have ever imagined what God had in store for him? It would have been easy for him to give up on God many times. Yet, he kept walking with God wherever it led him. In the end God's purpose for him was revealed. Joseph became a savior of Israel (Gen 45:5)!

Too many of us allow the world to determine our course in life. We have never learned how to walk with God. First, we must believe in Him. Our God is real and really interested in us. Second, we must listen to Him. The word of God will always lead in the path we should go. Without following His word we will always get off course. Third, we must stay in touch with God through prayer. Daily communion with the Lord is vital to a successful walk in this world. We deprive ourselves of so many blessings and often fail because we are out of touch with Him.

As children grow older they strike out on their own. They do not seek the counsel of their parents. They get away from them. As a result they learn many lessons the hard way. Sometimes the trouble they get into is devastating. All of this could have been avoided had they looked to mom and dad.

God is like a parent to us. He loves us and truly does care. Learn to believe in Him, listen to Him and talk with Him. Good things are in store for you.

"Ask, and it will be given to you; seek, and you will find; knock, and it will be opened to you. For everyone who asks receives, and he who seeks finds, and to him who knocks it will be opened. Or what man is there among you who, if his son ask for bread, will give him a stone? Or if he asks for a fish, will he give him a serpent? If you then, being evil, know how to give good gifts to your children, how much more will your Father who is in Heaven give good things to those who ask Him!" (Matthew 7:7-11).

Robert Dodson  
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