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**BIBLE LESSON TEXTS**

Sunday July 19, 2020  
**Matt 4:17-22; 9:9-13; Mark 2:14-17;**  
**John 1:35-51**  
Jesus and Apostles  
Jesus did not choose rich handsome men to be His apostles. He can use us.

Wednesday July 22, 2020  
**John 2:1-11**  
The First Miracle  
Explain the purpose of miracles.

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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  
Holy Spirit's Word: ..... Romans 1:16  
Sinner's Faith: ..... Acts 16:31  
Sinner's Repentance: ..... Luke 13:3  
Sinner's Confession: ..... Romans 10:10  
Sinner's Baptism: ..... Acts 22:16  
Christian's Love: ..... Matthew 22:37  
Christian's Work: ..... James 2:24  
Christian's Hope: ..... Romans 8:24  
Christian's Endurance: Revelation 2:10



**Happenings** in God's Family

The Sting of Death is Sin

So many people are under the impression that the sting of death is death itself. The Bible says otherwise (1 Corinthians 15:56). That is, it isn't death that is the sting, but sin. Why is that? Because if one dies in one's sins, then that sin stays with him after death and results in condemnation (John 5:29). However, if one is forgiven of sins, then there is no sting in death, instead, there is only blessing. "Blessed are the dead who die in the Lord" (Revelation 14:13).

However, a person must take advantage of the opportunity to be free from sin by becoming a child of God so that death will have no sting. God gives victory through Christ, not the sting that is sin (1 Corinthians 15:57). In Christ, there is no condemnation (Romans 8:1). How can I be forgiven of sin and be in Christ? We are forgiven of sin by the blood of Christ (Matthew 26:28) when we are baptized into Christ (Acts 2:38, Acts 22:16). When we are baptized, we put on Christ (Galatians 3:27) and belong to Christ. If we then belong to Christ, we are free from sin, and death has no more sting. Instead, "death is swallowed up in victory" (1 Corinthians 15:54-55).

Christians should not be afraid of death. Christ Jesus came into the world to take away our fear of death. "Inasmuch then as the children have partaken of flesh and blood, He Himself likewise shared in the same, that through death He might destroy him who had the power of death, that is, the devil, and release those who through fear of death were all their lifetime subject to bondage" (Hebrews 2:14-15). The devil wants us to be afraid of death so he can control us. Let's not give him what he wants!

God bless you, and I love you.  
Kevin Cauley

July 19, 2020 Servants	
Announcements: John David Thomas	
AM Prayers	Lord's Table
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	Jamey Thomas
July 26, 2020 Servants	
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Billy Johnson	Shina Shaw
Stephanie Lebsack	Kimberly McDaniel
Amanda Georgakis and family	Juanita Higginbotham
Winnie Tucker	Blake Drinkard
Sara Jo Vance	Meg Shelton
Charles Downs	Jackie Hervey family
Juanita Shelton	Marie McPherson
Keith & Helen Clark	Charles Lansford
Miki Fowler	

Birthdays	
Laura Crawford	July 19
Ben Dooley	July 23
Anniversary	
M/M Jimmy Smith	July 25

OUR FAITH IN ACTION	
SUNDAY, July 12, 2020	
Bible Classes -----	n/a
AM Worship -----	72
PM Worship -----	n/a
Contribution -----	\$2,932.14
Average to Date -----	\$3,037.06
Budget -----	\$3,100.00
Wednesday, July -----	

- Heaven
1. What did Jesus promise the disciples concerning an eternal home? (John 14:2).
  2. What did Paul say was prepared for "them that love him"? (1 Cor 2:9)
  3. Shall we enter heaven with this earthly body? (Phil 3:20-21).
  4. Eternal life is predicated upon what kind of life here? (Mat 25:33-40, 46).
  5. Whom shall we be like over there? (1 John 3:2).
  6. Will rewards be given in heaven? (Mat 5:12)
  7. What happens in heaven when a sinner repents? (Luke 15:10).
  8. Do the angels in heaven know everything? (Mark 13:32).
  9. Who will return to us from heaven? (Acts 1:11).

- Hell
1. Did Jesus have anything to say about hell?
  2. What is the Hebrew word translated "hell" in the King James Version of the Old Testament, and what does it signify? (Psalms 9:17; 16:10, compare RSV)
  3. What is the Greek word for "hell" as used by Jesus, and what does it signify? (Mat 5:22)
  4. What other term did Jesus use in describing the place of future punishment? (Mat 25:41).
  5. How did John in the Book of Revelation describe it? (Rev 20:15).
  6. What became of the angels that sinned? (2 Pet 2:4; Jude 6).
  7. Who did Jesus say was in danger of Hell fire? (Mat 5:22)
  8. In Matthew 25, who is said to go into "everlasting punishment"? (Vv 31-46)

1. a place for them in his Father's house
2. More than eye has seen or ear heard
3. No
4. Benevolent
5. We shall be like Him {Christ}
6. "great is your reward in Heaven"
7. The angels rejoice.
8. No. not the hour when the Son of Man shall return
9. Jesus who has ascended shall so come in like manner.

1. Yes. More than all other sources.
2. Sheol, signifying "the unseen state"
3. Gehenna, "place of woe" RSV margin
4. "everlasting fire"
5. "Lake of fire
6. God cast them down to hell
7. "Whoever shall say 'thou fool'"
8. Those who neglect the needy "of the least of these my brethren"

Adapted from *Bible Quizzes and Questions* by Burgess McCreary, Warner Press, 1956.

For since the beginning of the world *men* have not heard, nor perceived by the ear, neither hath the eye seen, O God, beside thee, *what* he hath prepared for him that waiteth for him. (Isaiah 64:4)

