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## BIBLE LESSON TEXTS

Wednesday, January Vineyard Workers  
27 #189

Matt 20:1-16                      God is happy  
when we decide to  
obey Him however  
old we are.

### 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

### SERVICES

**SUNDAY:**                      **WEDNESDAY:**

Worship 10:25 AM    Bible Classes 7:00 PM

Worship 6:00 PM

**Elders:** Ernest Shelton      903/628-2201  
                 Johnny Thomas      903/628-1292  
                 Russell Tyndell      903/748-2672

**Deacons:**  
Mike Raney  
John David Thomas              Jody Thomas  
Jamey Thomas                      Blake Tyndell

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                                 Local# 430/200-7870

# Happenings in God's Family



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## The Church is a Hospital

Perhaps you have heard the title of this article before. It is meant to illustrate the function of the church. A hospital is a place where people who are physically sick or injured go to get better. The church is also such a place, but in a spiritual way. People who are spiritually sick or injured should find healing through the efforts of the church. Sometimes people criticize the church as being a place of hypocrites precisely because there are spiritually sick or injured people in the church. That would be a valid criticism if the church were not doing anything to heal these spiritually damaged people. However, the goal is for spiritually sick people to become well through the work and teaching of Jesus. He said, "I am not come to call the righteous but sinners to repentance" (Luke 5:32).

We should be careful, though, that the church does not become a spiritual hospice care facility, where the sick go, not to be cured, but to die from their illness. Jesus expects members of his church to put away their sins, not remain in them. Forgiveness is a path to holiness, not a path to ongoing sinfulness. That is why Jesus also said, "Not every one that saith unto me, Lord, Lord, shall enter into the kingdom of heaven; but he that doeth the will of my Father who is in heaven" (Matthew 7:21). We are to "put away" all the sins of the flesh (Ephesians 4:22, Colossians 3:8). We are to be holy as He is holy (1 Peter 1:15-16). John wrote, "My little children, let no man lead you astray: he that doeth righteousness is righteous, even as he is righteous" (1 John 3:7). We must make a serious effort to obey the teachings of Jesus Christ.

God bless you, and I love you.

Kevin Cauley

**OUR FAITH IN ACTION**

**Wednesday, Jan 13, 2021**

Devotional/classes ----- 47

**SUNDAY, Jan 17, 2021**

AM Worship ----- 85

PM Worship ----- 51

Contribution ----- \$3,111.24

Average to Date ----- \$3,123.83

Budget ----- \$3,100.00

January 24, 2020 Servants	
Announcements: Mike Raney	
AM Prayers	PM Prayers
Thomas McGee	Blake Tyndell
Scott Overstreet	Ben Dooley
Lord's Table	
Jim Patterson	Jimmy Smith
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PM Communion: Jimmy Smith	
January 31, 2020 Servants	
Announcements: Mike Raney	
Am Prayers	PM Prayers
Scott Overstreet	Derrell Patterson
Jamey Thomas	Dave Conley
Lord's Table	
Jim Patterson	Jimmy Smith
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PM Communion: Jimmy Smith	
<i>If for some reason you cannot serve, please call Mike Raney-903-559-4141, or John D. Thomas-903-490-5572</i>	



Peanut Butter or Jelly

**Please Pray for ...**

Don Grider	Gayle Floyd
Faith Salfen	Mary Hankins
Meg Shelton	Robin Upson
Winnie Tucker	Blake Drinkard
Marie McPherson	Keith & Helen Clark
James Love	Helen Francis Davis
Clara Inman	Juanita Higginbotham
Ginger Plumlee	Kimberly (Shute) McDaniel
J.L. & Jaunice Foster	Gerald Watkins
Mary Hankins	Horace McPherson & family
Amanda Georgakis	Cayden Harris
Charles Downs	Glenda Isbell
Lindsey Book	Wyvon May
Ricky & Sonya Champion	
Ray McClung	
Henry Murray	
Norma Crawford	
Grieving families	

Thanks to our Sisters! **Gayle Floyd & Janiece Richardson** recently updated our floral and decorative items around the building again. How great it is to have the benefit of these two and others who work during the week to make the building here a more pleasant place in which to meet!



**\*\*\*Reprint\*\*\* Reflecting Christ's Love**

How do you describe God to someone? How do you show other people the goodness of Christ Jesus? Jesus realized how difficult this could be and therefore shared a principle with us in John 13:35: "By this all men will know that you are My disciples, if you have love for one another." This is the only successful way that Jesus can be revealed for the world to see . . . By His people truly loving one another. It shows . . . It's revealing . . . It's contagious . . . And it's commanded by our Lord!

A most important word in the above verse is "my." The word "disciple" simply means "learner." There are many disciples in the world, but Jesus says the world should recognize that Christians are "his" disciples. People today need to be disciples of Jesus! Our task then becomes rather obvious . . . Reflect the love of God so that people will know who we belong to.

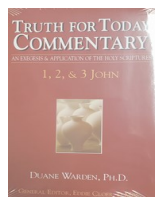
Those who are outside of Christ can see the love of Christ at work in a group of Christians in proper relationship with one another. How else will they see Christ as He is no longer physically present in this world? This is the reason John pleads with us in 1 John 4:11-12: "Beloved, if God so loved us, we also ought to love one another. No one has beheld God at any time; if we love one another, God abides in us, and His love is perfected in us." People outside of Christ can see Christ when Christians really love one another. However, these people cannot see Christ among a group of people who do not care for nor practice love for one another.

Brethren, we are all (as members of the body) of vital importance to that body. As a total body" we are to reflect the love of Christ so that a dying world might see something different. God desires that His spiritual body grow in maturity, and this means also growing in love one for another. We can do this, in fact, we must do this!

If we are truly Christians, and care for one another we will attract attention. Why? Simply because this is in such contrast to the world. Satan has always done and will continue to do his best to keep people from loving one another, knowing that no one will be attracted to a "loveless" group. Brethren, let's notify Satan as to just where we stand as we strive to grow in love for God and one another!

— Marvin L. Weir

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Birthdays		 Truth for Today Commentary arrived in the office this week! <b>1, 2, &amp; 3 John</b> —they are \$26 each.
Angela Oliver	Jan 24	
Anniversaries		
M/M Blake Tyndell	Jan 24	
M/M James Williams	Jan 24	
M/M Doug Wages	Jan 27	