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**Bible Class LESSON TEXTS**

|                             |                                 |
|-----------------------------|---------------------------------|
| Sunday, May 9,<br>2021 #207 | Wednesday, May 12,<br>2021 #208 |
| Acts 1:12-26                | Acts 2:1-47                     |
| In the Upper<br>Room        | Day of Pentecost                |

**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:**

|                    |                     |
|--------------------|---------------------|
| Bible Class 9:30am | Ladies' Bible Class |
| Worship 10:25 am   | 10:00 am            |

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| Worship 6:00 pm | Bible Classes 7:00 pm |
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| <b>Elders:</b>   | Ernest Shelton           | 903/628-2201  |
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|                  | Russell Tyndell          | 903/748-2672  |
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|                  | John David Thomas        | Blake Tyndell |
|                  | Jamey Thomas             |               |
| <b>Office:</b>   | Monday - Friday          |               |
|                  | 8:00 AM - 12:00 PM       |               |
|                  | 903/628-2891             |               |
|                  | Jim Patterson, Secretary |               |
| <b>Minister:</b> | Kevin Cauley             |               |
|                  | Local# 430/200-7870      |               |

**Happenings** in God's Family



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**Free Food!**

My wife and I have a date every Tuesday for lunch. We usually grab a bite to eat at one of our local establishments. As we left one restaurant, we noticed that if we filled out a survey, we could get a free sandwich. I started wondering whether a person could survive just by filling out surveys. My wife said, "Try it!" I said, "No." I have filled out a survey on occasion to get free food, but I don't want to fill out surveys every day. Also, the value of this free food is relatively low. Usually, what you get is one of the cheaper menu options. Someone else, however, might want to do that! After all, it's for free food!

I couldn't help but think about how many religious folks today claim that if a person must do anything to be saved, then he has earned his salvation. Does filling out a survey "earn" a sandwich? No. That's why they say it is "free." Yet, what Jesus offers us in salvation is so much more valuable than a cheap menu item. It is priceless! How could a person so **earn** His salvation through obeying God's commands? He could not. It is not an equal exchange. There is no comparable value in obedience to the price that God paid.

Do we earn our salvation when we do what Jesus tells us to do to be saved? No! But we do meet the conditions that God has set. It is why Jesus said, "He who believes and is baptized will be saved; but he who does not believe will be condemned." (Mark 16:16). The notion that there is absolutely nothing one must do to be saved is a false doctrine that Jesus did not teach.

God bless you, and I love you.

Kevin Cauley

**OUR FAITH IN ACTION**  
**Wednesday, April 28 , 2021**  
 see below

**SUNDAY, May 2, 2021**

|                      |             |
|----------------------|-------------|
| AM Bible class-----  | 50          |
| AM Worship -----     | 66          |
| PM Worship -----     | 44          |
| Contribution -----   | \$2,419.00* |
| Average to Date----- | \$2,863.97  |
| Budget -----         | \$3,100.00  |

| Gospel Meeting Recap<br>Attendance April 25-28 |    |
|--|----|
| Sunday morning Bible Class .....               | 66 |
| Sunday Morning Worship.....                    | 83 |
| Sunday Evening Worship.....                    | 69 |
| Monday Evening .....                           | 75 |
| Tuesday Evening .....                          | 85 |
| Wednesday Evening .....                        | 84 |



Canned (condensed) milk

| <b>Please Pray for ...</b> |                  |
|----------------------------|------------------|
| Don Grider                 | Wyvon May        |
| Mary Hankins               | Faith Salfen     |
| Meg Shelton                | Gerald Watkins   |
| Winnie Tucker              | Robin Upson      |
| Marie McPherson            | Blake Drinkard   |
| James Love                 | Keith & Helen    |
| Clara Inman                | Clark            |
| Juanita Higginbotham       | Ginger Plumlee   |
| Amanda Georgakis           | Mary Hankins     |
| Charles Downs              | Kimberly (Shute) |
| Stephanie Wages            | McDaniel         |
| Norma Crawford             | Cayden Harris    |
| Stephanie Lebsack          | Henry Murray     |
| James Posey                | Vince Hardage    |

| <b>May 9, 2021 Servants</b>   |                   |
|---|-------------------|
| Announcements: Mike Raney   |                   |
| AM Prayers  | PM Prayers        |
| Scott Overstreet  | Derrell Patterson |
| Ben Dooley  | Justin Tyndell    |
| Lord's Table  |                   |
| Jim Patterson   | Jamey Thomas      |
| Jody Thomas   |                   |
| PM Communion: Jody Thomas   |                   |
| <b>May 16, 2021 Servants</b>  |                   |
| Announcements: Mike Raney   |                   |
| AM Prayers  | PM Prayers        |
| Jimmy Smith   | David Conley      |
| Scott Overstreet  | Ben Dooley        |
| Lord's Table  |                   |
| Jim Patterson   | Jamey Thomas      |
| Jody Thomas   |                   |
| PM Communion: Jody Thomas   |                   |
| <i>If for some reason you cannot serve, please call Mike Raney-903-559-4141, or John D. Thomas-903-490-5572</i> |                   |

**Reminders**

1. Ice Cream Supper details: June 6 after evening worship. Our graduates to be honored: Sommer Hobson and Daniella Conley. Please let us know if there are others.
2. Ladies Bible Class is dismissed until the school year change after the summer break.
3. Potluck luncheon is 16th of May.

# David's Prayer in the Cave

It was in one of the lowest points in his life that David finds himself hiding in a cave praying to God. He says, "With my voice I cry out to the Lord; with my voice I plead for mercy to the Lord" (Psa. 142:1).

David describes the circumstances that have caused him to feel discouraged. He says in verse 4, "Look to the right and see: there is none who takes notice of me; no refuge remains to me; no one cares for my soul."

How often do we find ourselves feeling this same way? It could be the people we work with that don't see the value of our Christianity. It could be friends at school pushing us to break our Christian values. It could even be our own families that don't care for our souls.

David felt the loneliness of desertion with his own son, he felt betrayal from Saul, and he even willfully separated himself from God when he went after Bathsheba.

Many times we find ourselves in the cave. It could be that outside circumstances have put us there, or we sinned and are feeling the consequences of those choices.

Put yourself in his shoes, hiding in a dark, desolate and damp cave feeling alone and deserted by everyone. Everyone except God. David never lost sight of God, and he knew that God would answer his prayer.

When we find ourselves in the dark, feeling deserted and alone, don't lose sight of God. He will never turn His back on a struggling Christian. He cares for your soul.

Carl Pollard  
 Hebron church of Christ  
 Grant, AL via May 2020 Bulletin Digest

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| <p>"And he said, I have been very jealous for the LORD God of hosts: because the children of Israel have forsaken thy covenant, thrown down thine altars, and slain thy prophets with the sword; and I, even I only, am left; and they seek my life, to take it away." (1Ki 19:14)</p> <p>"And the LORD said unto him, Go, return on thy way ..... Yet I have left me seven thousand in Israel, all the knees which have not bowed unto Baal, and every mouth which hath not kissed him." (1Ki 19:15-18)</p> |
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I mistakenly left the last April contribution in the generally circulated bulletin, but this amount is correct for the date shown.jp