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Bible Class LESSON TEXTS

Sunday, August 15, 2021 #234 Paul before Felix **Acts 24**
Wednesday, August 18, 2021 #235 Paul Before Festus and Agrippa **Acts 25;26**

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
Worship 6:00 pm Bible Classes 7:00 pm

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Happenings in God's Family



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August 15, 2021

The Seven Beatitudes of Revelation – Part 4 -
Blessed are Those who are Called to the Marriage Supper

The fourth beatitude is related to those who have been invited to the marriage supper. "And he saith unto me, Write, Blessed are they that are bidden to the marriage supper of the Lamb. And he saith unto me, These are true words of God" (Revelation 19:9). Christians are those who have been called (Romans 8:30, 1 Peter 5:10, Jude 1:1), and Jesus does the calling. This beatitude blesses those who are invited (called) in anticipation of their responding positively. Jesus calls everyone through the gospel (2 Thessalonians 2:14), and He offers His great invitation to all: "Come unto me, all ye that labor and are heavy laden, and I will give you rest. Take my yoke upon you, and learn of me; for I am meek and lowly in heart: and ye shall find rest unto your souls. For my yoke is easy, and my burden is light" (Matthew 11:28-30:).

For those who respond to His call, they will participate in the marriage supper of the Lamb. This is a metaphor for Christ's relationship to the church. "For the husband is the head of the wife, as Christ also is the head of the church, being himself the saviour of the body" (Ephesians 5:23). Another great discussion of this relationship is in Romans 7:1-4. Christians have become dead to the law so that they may be married to another, Christ Jesus. Their identity comes from Him.

Revelation chapter twenty-one reveals the relationship of Christ to the church in its fullness. The church is the bride, the Lamb's wife whom the angel reveals to John (Revelation 21:9). So, blessed are those who have been called because they will receive all of the blessings the Lamb has to offer His bride; they become members of the family of God.

God bless you, and I love you.

Kevin Cauley

OUR FAITH IN ACTION

Wednesday, August 4, 2021

Evening Bible Class----- 53

SUNDAY, August 1, 2021

AM Bible class----- 46

AM Worship ----- 91

PM Worship ----- 40

Contribution ----- \$2,762.35

Average to Date----- \$2,919.25

Budget ----- \$3,100.00

August 15, 2021 Servants

Announcements: Jim Patterson

AM Prayers

PM Prayers

Ernest Shelton

Derrell Patterson

Jamey Thomas

Eddie Cauley

Lord's Table

Jody Thomas

Justin Arsenault

Ben Dooley

PM Communion: Jody Thomas

Pick up cards: Logan Wages

August 22, 2021 Servants

Announcements: Jim Patterson

AM Prayers

PM Prayers

Jimmy Smith

Blake Tyndell

Johnny Thomas

Justin Tyndell

Lord's Table

Jody Thomas

Justin Arsenault

Ben Dooley

PM Communion: Jody Thomas

Pick up cards: Maddux Tyndell

If for some reason you cannot serve, please call Mike Raney-903-559-4141, or John D. Thomas-903-490-5572

Please Pray for ...

Don Grider

Mary Hankins

Meg Shelton

Winnie Tucker

Marie McPherson

James Love

Clara Inman

Mary Hankins

Amanda Georgakis

Charles Downs

Stephanie Wages

Norma Crawford

Stephanie Lebsack

James Posey

Janiece Richardson

Wyvon May

Faith Salfen

Gerald Watkins

Robin Upson

Blake Drinkard

Keith & Helen

Clark

Ginger Plumlee

Henry Murray

Kimberly (Shute)

McDaniel

Cayden Harris

Linda Roberts

Vince Hardage

Virginia Parrish

Marc Higgs



Peanut butter or jelly

Reminders

1. Potluck luncheon is on August 15.
2. Back-to-school happened this week, now we have a routine-finding week.
3. Sept 8—Ladies' Bible Class Wednesday morning meetings at 10 resumes.
4. Jimmy Smith will preach for us Sunday Morning on the 29th of August.
5. We'll have a speaker from Lads to Leaders on September 5.

Birthdays

Kyndlee Clark August 17
 Grace Duffer August 17
 Sommer Hobson August 18

Anniversary

M/M Kevin Cauley August 17

The Secret of True Happiness in One Word

If you were asked to give a simple answer to the question about the secret of happiness on this earth, what would you say? The best response might be found in an acronym which has been around for decades. It deserves to be repeated because some may have forgotten it; others who have not grown up in the church may have never heard it; and parents need to be reminded to teach it to their small children. It is based on using every letter of the word **JOY** to give the order of priority of true happiness: Jesus first; Others second and Yourself last.

Jesus first. We must never forget these words of Jesus in the Sermon on the Mount. "Seek ye first the kingdom of God and His righteousness..." (Matt. 6:33). Nor should we forget that the greatest commandment of the Old Testament was, "You shall love the Lord your God with all your heart, with all your soul, with all your mind, and with all your strength" (Mark 12:30). Paul says it this way, "This one thing I do...I press toward the mark of the high calling of God in Christ Jesus" (Phil. 3:13-14). There is no joy until we put first things first.

Others second. Unless we train ourselves otherwise, we will embrace the social norm of nature—survival of the fittest and all that matters is me and my happiness. That second greatest commandment still says, "You shall love your neighbor as yourself." The reality is that in one sense we are to love them more than ourselves. The Scriptures say, "Let each esteem others better than himself" (Phil. 2:3). The example of Paul's willingness to humble himself and put others first is clearly seen. Paul teaches that one can freely eat any kind of meat but was aware that some did not share this knowledge. What was his response? "If food makes my brother stumble, I will never again eat meat, lest I make my brother stumble" (1 Cor. 8:13). See that same attitude toward his actions in teaching the lost, "I have made myself a servant to all that I might win the more...to the Jew I became...to those without law I became... to the weak I became..." (1 Cor. 9:19-22).

Yourself last. Dealing with others who are so selfish is not easy, but each of them has a soul which we must seek to save. David describes winning the souls of others in terms of planting a crop and harvesting it. "Those who sow in tears shall reap in joy. He who continually goes forth weeping shall doubtless come again with rejoicing, bringing his sheaves with him" (Psa. 126:5-6). Beyond a shadow of a doubt, we shall sow and reap in joy. This will never happen until we put ourselves last.

Remember that the secret of true joy in this is so simple. **J**esus first, **o**thers second and **y**ourself last. Dan Jenkins—pblcoc.org/bulletin-articles/the-secret.../