

Welcome to our services and thank you for visiting. If you have any questions about our beliefs or practices, please don't hesitate to ask.

God has not only commanded us to worship Him, but has also told us how, in His word. The elements of our services, as prescribed by God's word, are as follows:

- SINGING: Ephesians 5:18,19; Colossians 3:16 •
- PREACHING/TEACHING: Acts2:42; Eph. 4:11,12
- **PRAYING:** Acts 2:42; Acts 12:5
- LORD'S SUPPER: 1 Corinthians 11:23-26; Acts 20:7
- GIVING: 1 Corinthians 16:1,2; 2 Corinthians 9:6,7

COME WORSHIP WITH US!

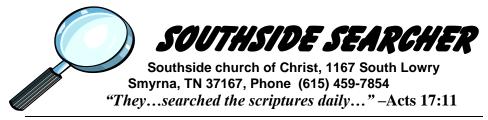
SUNDAY MORNING BIBLE STUDY....9:00 SUNDAY MORNING WORSHIP......10:00 SUNDAY EVENING WORSHIP......6:00 WEDNESDAY EVENING SERVICES....7:00

EVERYONE WELCOME!



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- > Weekly Article: Rutherford Reader
- > 3rd Sunday Singing Practice: 5 pm
- ➤ 4th Sunday Singing Night: 6 pm
- ▶ Radio program on wgns. 15 minute sermon every Sunday morning from 10:45 - 11:00.
- \triangleright Children's Class: Every 2nd & 4th Sunday at 5:30 pm
- 5th Sunday Prayer Service, 6 pm \geq \triangleright Men's Business Meeting. 1st Sunday evenings following services.



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LET THERE BE LIGHT **Michael Pickford**

be light; and there was light" (Genesis 1:3). Consider other sources of light God has provided us as we examine this phrase, "Let there be light"...

The Sun. I always found it interesting that the Sun wasn't created until day four, while light itself had appeared on the first day. The sun is a great blessing from God, providing not only light, but also heat, healing factors, and essential elements for vegetation survival. God called the sun "Good," but as usual, the devil sought to pervert that which is good. Many historical cultures have engaged in sun worship. Egypt had Ra the sun god. The Greeks honored Helios, and the Persians had Mithra. In addition to these, sun worship has been found in Babylonian texts and in a number of Asian religious cults. Some Native American tribes still perform something called a "Sun Dance." The sun should not be worshipped as a god, rather it should serve as evidence of the true and living God (see Romans 1:20-23). The sun is not a god itself, but rather is there to "Declare the glory" of God" (Psalm 19:1-6).

The Scriptures. In speaking of Scripture, David said, "Your word is a

God said to a dark world, "Let there lamp to my feet and a light to my path" (Psalm 119;105). God's word is truth (John 17:17). As such, it alone has the ability to deliver us from the myriad sources of religious error taught in any age. It alone has the ability to impart to us true "enlightening" in the midst of a world of spiritual darkness and confusion (Psalm 19:8). It is God's power to salvation (Romans 1:16) and we are to use it as God's sword to expose "The unfruitful works of darkness" (Ephesians 6:17; 5:11). Instead of living lust-filled, out of control lives in the darkness of sin. Scripture shows us how to "Walk as children of light" (Ephesians 5:8-9), directing our good works. What a blessing God's word is!

The Savior. Jesus came as the "Light of the world" and those who obey Him will not be in spiritual darkness, but will have the "Light of life" (John 8:12; Hebrews 5:8-9). John the apostle wrote of this light and John the Baptist testified of this Light (John 1:4, 6-8). When Jesus began His ministry He was as Light dawning among those who sat in darkness and in the shadow of death (Matthew 4:15-16). Outside Christ we are lost in sin, baptism puts us in the Light (Galatians 3:27-28). \swarrow

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From My Collection Of Rutherford Reader Articles

HEAR IS YOUR ANSWER Michael Pickford

"So then faith comes by hearing, and hearing by the word of God" -Romans 10:17

How does one come to believe in the Lord Jesus Christ as God's Son?

Some would have us believe that causing Jesus' face to appear on faith comes in some miraculous way. We're told that God somehow operates on the Heart via the Holy Spirit and instills soul-saving faith. Don't look for scripture to learn about this method, it's not there.

Some teach that God instills faith God has chosen the preaching of into a sinner's heart through some sort of mystical communication. A man tells how a voice spoke to him in the darkness of the night, while another speaks of how an angel appeared to him in a dream. No scripture for this one either.

Some believe God bestows fait some grandiose way. For example, survives a tragic accident that "No could have survived" and as a resu became a believer. Still no scriptur

Some think God speaks to then side of a barn, or in a piece of toas in a cloud, etc. Scripture please?

So, if you're an unbeliever, would you come to have faith in Lord Jesus? Well, Hear, is answer. That's right. It's that sin Gospel as the means to bring me faith in Christ. So one must hear Gospel if he would come to beli Why else would the Lord send disciples to preach "To every creat (Mark 16:15)? Because faith come hearing God's word (Romans 10:1



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