

# "O THOU OF LITTLE FAITH..."

MT. 14:22-33

## RESULTS OF LITTLE FAITH

JACOB FEARED FOR LIFE  
GEN. 28:10-15: 32:6-8, 11, 12

ISRAELITES MISSED PROMISE LAND  
NUM. 14:6-10, 22, 23, 30

DOUBTING MAN TRODE UPON  
2 KI. 7:1, 2, 20

DISCIPLES WERE AFRAID  
MT. 8:23-27

PETER BEGAN TO SINK  
MT. 14:25-31



## MANY ARE OF LITTLE FAITH

THOSE WHO FOLLOW HUMAN CREEDS  
MT. 15:8, 9: 2 TIM. 3:16, 17

THOSE WHO CHANGE GOD'S WAYS  
2 JO. 9:11: ISA. 55:8, 9

THOSE WHO TURN TO MAN'S WISDOM  
1 COR. 2:1-5: EPH. 5:6: COL. 2:8

THOSE ANXIOUS FOR THE MATERIAL  
MT. 6:19-21, 25-34: COL. 3:1, 2

THOSE WHO SOW SPARINGLY  
2 COR. 9:6-8: MAL. 1:7, 8: 3:8-10

".. BE NOT FAITHLESS. BUT BELIEVING." - JO. 20:27

Steve Hudgins, Via <http://executableoutlines.com/charts>

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:** Acts 2:42; 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!**

- [www.defendthegospel.com](http://www.defendthegospel.com)
- Weekly Article: Rutherford Reader
- 3<sup>rd</sup> Sunday Singing Practice: 5 pm
- 4<sup>th</sup> Sunday Singing Night: 6 pm
- Radio program on wgns. 15 minute sermon every Sunday morning from 10:45 - 11:00.
- Children's Class: Every 2<sup>nd</sup> & 4<sup>th</sup> Sunday at 5:30 pm
- 5<sup>th</sup> Sunday Prayer Service, 6 pm
- Men's Business Meeting. 1<sup>st</sup> Sunday evenings following services.



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"They...searched the scriptures daily..." - Acts 17:11

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## HONEY SWEET

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It's interesting the spiritual lessons we can learn from everyday things. For example, from honey we learn lessons about...

### God's Commandments

In speaking of the Lord's Law, Statutes, and commandments, the Psalmist said, "*More to be desired are they than gold, Yea, than much fine gold; Sweeter also than honey and the honeycomb*" (Psalm 19:7-10). Speaking of desire, many of us desire sweets every day of our lives. Some would get up in the middle of the night just to go out for some ice cream. O how we should desire the honey sweetness of God's word. We need to crave it daily, studying it for God's wisdom and direction. How foolish we are to clutter up our schedules so much that there's no time for daily bible reading and study (Acts 17:11). A soldier in a foreign land receives a rare letter from a friend or loved one. He keeps that letter close to him, protecting it from loss. He opens it up and reads and re-reads it every time he can steal a moment to do so. How we should cherish God's word to us! Life is also much sweeter when we keep the Commandments of God; for it imparts a clean, clear conscience.

**Good Compliments.** "*Pleasant words are like a honeycomb, Sweetness to the soul and health to the bones*" (Proverbs 16:24). In a world of bitterness and often unwarranted criticism, we need more encouraging words! Some folks seem to be looking for a reason to criticize or "Run down" someone. Let's look for the good in others (even if we have to look hard) and then compliment that good. Sometimes just telling someone we're praying for them as they pass through a difficult situation gives immense comfort and strength. "Let all bitterness, wrath, anger, clamor, and evil speaking be put away from you, with all malice. And be kind to one another, tenderhearted..." (Ephesians 4:31-32).

**Godly Contentment.** "*A Satisfied soul loathes the honeycomb, But to a hungry soul every bitter thing is sweet*" (Proverbs 27:7). Someone once said, "The luxury of wealth confers less happiness than the healthy appetite of labor." Paul said, "*Godliness with contentment is great gain*" (1 Timothy 6:6). Often, wealthy people are miserable because of the emptiness of possessions. The rich man is the one who is satisfied even if he has "Precious little." 🔍

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# HE MUST HAVE SINNED!

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“And His disciples asked Him, saying, “Rabbi, who sinned, this man or his parents, that he was born blind?”

-John 9:2

Without question some are suffering because of their sin(s), or due to the sins of others. One man has liver cancer due to drinking; another suffers disease caused by fornication while another is paralyzed because a stranger was driving drunk. But we must be careful not to think that because someone gets cancer, or experiences some other life tragedy that it's because of some (hidden) sin in his life. Sometimes it's just the result of unfortunate occurrences.

In our text above, Jesus explained that this particular man was born blind so that God's works might be revealed in him (vs. 3). God Himself said that Job was “Blameless and upright, and

one who feared God and shunned evil” (Job 1:1), yet we know that Job suffered tremendously. His three friends offered little comfort as they insisted that Job must have some secret sin stowed away in his life. But they were wrong; that wasn't the case at all! This mentality can lead us to wrongly accuse or think evil of an innocent brother or sister in Christ. Or we may wrongly judge parents who bring a deformed or sick child into this world.

Sometimes a person tortures himself thinking he is suffering because of some sin in his life. This mentality could cause one to leave God thinking that He hasn't really forgiven them since they are still suffering.

Let us be careful regarding things we know nothing about. God knows one's heart; we don't! Sometimes bad things really do happen to good, godly people! 🔍

## SERMON NOTES

Search the scriptures daily to see if these things are so.

STUDY  
DAILY!  
Acts  
17:11

### The Accomplishments of Prayer

Introduction:

I. \_\_\_\_\_

II. \_\_\_\_\_

III. \_\_\_\_\_

#### DUTY LIST...

##### SUNDAY MORNING

- Announcements.....Jason Hubbard
- Bible Reading by.....Frank Anderson  
Reading: James 5:15-18
- Song Leader.....Lynn Buttrey
- Opening Prayer.....Ben Green
- Lord's Table:  
Lead.....Tony Jenkins  
Serve.....John Nelson  
Serve.....Ben Reagh
- Closing Prayer.....Kenny Todd

##### SUNDAY EVENING

- Song Leader.....Tony Jenkins
- Lord's Table.....Kenny Johnson

##### WEDNESDAY EVENING

- Song Leader.....Tony Jenkins
- Invitation.....Kenny Todd

Home Bible Studies  
Available Upon Request!

##### GOD'S PLAN OF SALVATION

There is only one true saving plan of Salvation outlined in Scripture. No substitutes will do. Have you really been saved? Get out your Bible and study the plan below.

- Hear The Gospel: Romans 10:17
- Believe: Mark 16:16; John 8:24
- Repent of Sin: Acts 2:38; Acts 17:30
- Confess Faith: Romans 10:9, 10
- Be Baptized: Mark 16:16; Acts 2:38; Acts 22:16; 1 Peter 3:21
- Remain Faithful: Rev. 2:10

Obey Today!

#### THIS WEEK'S MESSAGE FOR OUTSIDE SIGN

(Thanks to anyone who can stay after services tonight and help change the sign.)

**BOTH SIDES:  
ASSEMBLY REQUIRED!  
HEBREWS 10:25**

**MEN'S BUSINESS MEETING TONIGHT!**

