

CHARACTERIZED BY OR ACTING
IN CLOSE CONFORMITY TO
REQUIREMENTS OR PRINCIPALS

TOO STRICT?

STRINGENT OR EXACTLY
IN REQUIREMENT OR
PRINCIPAL

SOME WHO WERE STRICT

- ABEL - GEN. 4:4,5; HEB. 11:4; ROM. 10:17
- NOAH - GEN. 6:14-16, 22:7-9
- ABRAHAM - GEN. 22:2-6, 9, 10
- JOSEPH - GEN. 39:7-9
- JOB - JOB. 1:21, 22:2-9, 10
- DANIEL - DAN. 6:10
- WISE VIRGINS - MT. 25:2-5
- PAUL - 2 TIM. 3:10, 11:4-6-8

JO. 12:48

SOME WHO WERE NOT STRICT

- NADAB & ABIHU - LEV. 10:1,2
- SAUL - 1 SAM. 15:2,3; 20-23
- UZZA - NUM. 4:15; 2 SAM. 6:6,7
- FOOLISH VIRGINS - MT. 25:2-12
- ANANIAS & SAPPHIRA - ACTS 5:1-10
- DEMAS - 2 TIM. 4:10; COL. 4:14; 1 JO. 2:15-17
- HYMENAËUS & ALEXANDER - 1 TIM. 1:19,20



NO APOLOGY FOR STRICTNESS

- JESUS TAUGHT - LK. 4:4; 11:28; JO. 12:48; 14:26; 16:13
- PAUL SAID - 1 COR. 2:12,13
- SALVATION - MT. 7:21; HEB. 5:8,9
- THE CHURCH - MT. 16:18; EPH. 1:22,23; 4:4-6; 5:25
- WORSHIP - JO. 4:23,24; MT. 15:8,9; ACTS 2:42; COL. 3:16; 1 COR. 16:1,2; 2 COR. 9:6-8
- FELLOWSHIP - ROM. 16:17,18; EPH. 5:11; 2 JO. 9-11
- GODLY LIVING - TIT. 2:11,12; 1 JO. 2:15-17; 1 COR. 6:9,10
- FAITHFULNESS - HEB. 10:25; REV. 2:10
- MARRIAGE - MT. 19:3-9; EPA. 5:22-28

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
- 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.
- Children's Class: Every 2nd & 4th Sunday at 5:30 pm
- 5th Sunday Prayer Service, 6 pm
- Men's Business Meeting. 1st Sunday evenings following services.



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

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FROM THE HEART

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In the Bible, the heart sometimes speaks of the intellect, and it sometimes speaks of the seat of emotions. Sometimes it speaks of the conscience. The conscience is that little judge in our minds that either condemns or commends our actions (or inactions) (Romans 2:15). Consider...

When Our Heart Condemns Us.

John wrote, "For if our heart condemns us, God is greater than our heart, and knows all things" (1 John 3:20). John writes this in the context of loving, not just with words, but with actions. Love expressed by helping those in need. When we know to do good and do not do it, or when we do what we know to be wrong, our conscience condemns us. It keeps us up at night, makes us feel bad. If we think this is uncomfortable, remember that God is even greater than our hearts. We cannot keep anything from Him, and the punishment He will mete out will be far worse than the discomfort we derive from our "Guilty conscience."

When Our Heart Commends Us.

It is far better for us to do what God says. John went on, "Beloved, if our heart does not condemn us, we have confidence toward God" (1 John 3:21).

This is written to Christians. Christians can neglect their spiritual responsibilities and sin, thus violating their conscience. This is a hindrance to prayer. But when we do right, obey God and serve others, our conscience commends us, and we have more confidence when we pray (1 John 3:22). It is important for the non-christian to obey the Gospel through baptism (Mark 16:16; 1 Peter 3:21) as "The answer of a good conscience toward God." When one hears the Gospel, the hope is that his conscience will be pricked ("Cut to the heart" - Acts 2:37) and he will respond to his conscience by repenting and being baptized (Acts 2:38).

When Our Heart Confuses Us.

The conscience is a safe-guard in religion, not a safe guide. The conscience can be deceived. There is such a thing as a false sense of security. One may feel in his heart that he is right with God, but if he hasn't obeyed the Gospel he is still lost in his sin (2 Thessalonians 1:7-9). Paul Thought he should be killing Christians, and did so with a clear conscience (Acts 26:9-11; Acts 23:1), but his conscience had been taught wrong, and therefore confused him. Don't rely on your conscience, rely on God's word! ☞

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Gospel Meeting

June 16-21

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(Located on Murfreesboro Rd. Right next to the Nissan Fitness Center)

For Directions Call (615) 785-0646

Preaching

Larry R. Ping II

Theme

"Profound Passages
on the Pages of
Inspiration"

Meeting Times

Sunday: 9 & 10 am

Sunday: 6:00 pm

Mon–Fri: 7:00 pm

Everyone Welcome!

Bring A Bible! Bring A Friend!

THIS WEEK'S MESSAGE FOR OUTSIDE SIGN
(Thanks to anyone who can stay after services tonight
and help change the sign.)

BOTH SIDES:
REMEMBER CHRIST'S DEATH!
1 CORINTHIANS 11:23-26

SINGING NIGHT TONIGHT! – 6 PM



SERMON NOTES

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

**STUDY
DAILY!**
Acts
17:11

Making Sense of Sin

Introduction:

I. _____

II. _____

III. _____

DUTY LIST...

SUNDAY MORNING

- Announcements.....Jason Hubbard
- Bible Reading by.....Sam Miller
Reading: 1 John 3:4-9
- Song Leader.....Robert Johnson
- Opening Prayer.....Ben Green
- Lord's Table:
Lead.....Lynn Buttrey
Serve.....Tony Jenkins
Serve.....Frank Anderson
- Closing Prayer.....Michael Pickford

SUNDAY EVENING

- Song Leader.....Michael Pickford
- Lord's Table.....Lynn Buttrey

WEDNESDAY EVENING

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

**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!