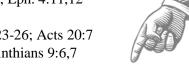


Welcome to our services and thank you for visiting. If you have any questions about our beliefs or practices, please don't hesitate to ask.

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!

- > 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. 1^s Sunday evenings following services.

SOUTHSIDE SEARCHER

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mother of the great prophet and judge Samuel (1 Samuel Chapters 1 & 2). We can learn some essential spiritual lessons from Hannah...

HER PROBLEM WAS PAINFUL. Hannah's problem was that she was barren and this caused her much pain and distress. Among the Jews, women who were barren were considered cursed by God, and they were often castigated by others. Elizabeth, the mother of John the Baptist, was also barren most of her life. When she conceived, she said, "Thus the Lord has dealt with me, to take away my reproach among people" (Luke 1:25). Elkanah's other wife, Peninnah. certainly "Reproached" Hannah. We're told that she "Provoked her severely, to make her miserable, because the Lord had closed her womb" (1 Samuel 1:6). Today, we are certainly not without our own painful difficulties, including sometimes being reproached by those in the world because of our faith (John 15:18-20; 1 Peter 4:4).

HER PRAYER WAS PASSIONATE. Hannah prayed with great passion. She "Prayed to the Lord and wept in Anguish" (1 Samuel 1:10). I remember

Hannah was the wife of Elkanah and Hezekiah once "Wept bitterly" in prayer (2 Kings 20:3), and his prayer was heard, as was Hannah's. Paul taught that Christians should "Continue earnestly in prayer" (Colossians 4:2). Sometimes our prayers (If we say them) become cold and ritualistic. A quick prayer before a meal or a sleepy prayer before bed. We are surrounded by wickedness in this world. Preachers, elders, children, parents, politicians, sinners...all these need our earnest and passionate prayers (1 Timothy 2:1-4)! We need our prayers! We must pray for strength, and courage, and boldness in a world filled with moral cowards. Like Hannah, we must pray passionately and persistently (1 Samuel 1:12). The Lord taught "That men always ought to pray and not lose heart" (Luke 18:1).

> HER PROMISE WAS GOOD. In her prayers Hannah vowed to God that if He blessed her with a child she would give him to the Lord (1 Samuel 1:11). This was quite a promise and Hannah made good on it. The Lord granted her request and gave her a son (1 Samuel 1:27) and after the child was weaned she gave him to the priest at Shiloh where he entered into the service of the We must also be honest, dependable people of our word. \nearrow

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THINK

David McPherson

The mind is a powerful thing. The Bible teaches, "as a man thinketh in his heart, so is he" (Proverbs 23:7).

We have heard all our life that "You 4:8-9. are what you eat." But according to scripture, the more accurate statement would be, "You are what you think." Yes, it is true that we often become the products of our own thoughts.

Perhaps this is why Paul told the godly life to be manifested. Philippians, "Finally, brethren, whatever things are noble, whatever things are just, whatever things are pure, whatever things are lovely, whatever things are of good report, if there is any virtue and if there is anything praiseworthy – meditate on these things. Whatever things you

learned and received and heard and saw in me, these do, and the God of peace will be with you" (Philippians

For them to follow Paul's example and enjoy God's peace, their minds had to remain free from the gutter. Thoughts of things that were true, noble, lovely, etc. were needed for a

Some things haven't changed. Still today, as we think, so we live. Let us guard our minds from the corrupt sounds and sights of ungodliness. Let us dwell, meditate, contemplate upon wholesome things so we might exemplify the same to the glory of God. 🔑

SERMON NOTES

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

Jump For Joy!

STUDY DAILY! Acts 17:11

1 Corinthians 16:13

THIS WEEK'S MESSAGE FOR OUTSIDE SIGN

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

BOTH SIDES:

LOVE ONE ANOTHER Јони 13:34





DUTY LIST...

SUNDAY MORNING

III.

- > Announcements.....Michael Pickford
- ➤ Bible Reading by...... Reading: Luke 6:20-23
- > Song Leader.....Ben Reagh
- > Opening Prayer......Kenny Johnson
- ➤ Lord's Table:

Lead.....Ben Green Serve......Michael Pickford Serve......Kenny Todd

Closing Prayer......Robert Johnson

SUNDAY EVENING

- > Song Leader.....Michael Pickford
- > Lord's Table.....Ben Green

WEDNESDAY EVENING

- Song Leader.....Kenny Todd
- > Invitation.....Michael Pickford

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!