

BURIED TREASURE

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As a boy, the idea of buried treasure was very exciting to me. Just thinking of all the mystery and adventure involved made my young head swirl with delight. And then, the dream of spending all of that treasure on balls and toys and candy, etc.

I've now grown from childhood, and I no longer find a pirate's treasure of any interest at all. However, I am now a child of God, and guess what? As a child, I still love buried treasure! Not pirate's treasure, but the treasures found on the pages of inspiration. There are numerous little nuggets of truth saturated between the pages of God's word. I just love the adventure and

excitement of digging up more precious truths day after day.

I've often thought that studying God's word is like hunting for and finding treasure every day. What a glorious thought! David was a treasure hunter. He said God's word was "*better to me than thousands of coins of gold and silver*" (Psa. 119:72). A lack of love for God's truths leads to ignorance which ultimately leads to deception (2 Thessalonians 2:10).

There's buried treasure of priceless value found within the word of God. You'd better get digging! "*I rejoice at Your word as one who finds great treasure*" (Psalm 119:162). 🔍

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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A VIRTUOUS WIFE

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"Who can find a virtuous wife?" So asked the wise King Lemuel while reflecting on his own mother's wisdom (Proverbs 31:1, 10). In many ways the question may be asked of today's modern world. In Hebrew, Proverbs 31:10-31 is an alphabetic acrostic. The woman of valor is literally extolled from A to Z. Notice that...

She Is A Woman of Value. "*For her worth is far above rubies*" (Proverbs 31:10). She is of great value to her husband. She provides for him in many ways. Her provision for him is emotional. She lives in such a way as to give him emotional stability and security. He never has to worry that she might be unfaithful to him. She lives in such a way that "*The heart of her husband safely trusts her*" (Verse 11). Many women today are flaunty and flirtatious; not her! She never says or does anything that might engender suspicion in his heart. She is valuable to him and to her children. Much of this passage speaks of her untiring labor in providing for her family. Her husband and children never have to worry about a lack of nice and suitable clothes or a good meal. "*She seeks wool and flax and willingly works with her hands*" (Verse 13). "*She also rises*

While it is yet night, and provides food for her household" (Verse 15). A woman who squanders away her days sleeping or watching TV while clothes go unwashed, houses go uncleaned, and meals go unprepared is of little value to her family. The virtuous woman "*Watches over the ways of her household, and does not eat the bread of idleness*" (Verse 27).

She Is A Woman Of Vision. The virtuous woman's role in the family is not restricted to housework. She is involved in other ventures in the best interest of her family. "*She is like the merchant ships, she brings her food from afar*" (Verse 14). She involves herself in commerce when she sees it benefitting her family down the road. "*She sees a field and buys it; From her profits she plants a vineyard*" (Verse 16). She works hard to teach her children, to raise them right, so that when they are older, they will bring her honor and not shame (Verse 25).

She Is A Woman Of Veneration. Because of all she is and all she does, "*Her children rise up and call her blessed; her husband also, and he praises her.*" Remember, "*A woman who fears the Lord, she shall be praised*" (30). 🔍

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Gospel Meeting

June 08-13

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Preaching

Edward O.
Bragwell Sr.

Everyone
Welcome!

Meeting Times & Topics

Sunday-10 am..... A Changeless Gospel in a Changing World
Sunday-6 pm..... Authority
Monday-7 pm..... The Dispensation of the Grace of God
Tuesday-7 pm..... The Multidimensional Basis of Our Salvation
Wednesday-7 pm... A Blueprint for Changing God's Order
Thursday-7 pm..... Gifts of the Holy Spirit
Friday-7 pm..... The Church of The Firstborn

Bring A Bible! Bring A Friend!

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SERMON NOTES

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

STUDY
DAILY!
Acts
17:11

Hidden Treasure

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DUTY LIST...

SUNDAY MORNING

- Announcements.....Michael Pickford
- Bible Reading by.....Sam Miller
Reading: Psalm 119:161-168
- Song Leader.....Robert Johnson
- Opening Prayer.....Kenny Todd
- Lord's Table:
Lead.....John Nelson
Serve.....Michael Pickford
Serve.....Lynn Buttrey
- Closing Prayer.....Kenny Johnson

SUNDAY EVENING

- Song Leader.....Ben Green
- Lord's Table.....John Nelson

WEDNESDAY EVENING

- Song Leader.....Kenny Johnson
- Invitation.....Ben Green

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

*Home Bible Studies
Available Upon Request!*

Obey Today!