

## SIN AND VOMIT

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Many people view the Bible as a book containing nothing but beautiful things and lovely thoughts. On the whole the Bible is a beautiful story of love and redemption – God’s love for man. But the Bible speaks a lot of sin, and God gives us some disgusting word pictures depicting the awful nature of sin. God means for us to see sin for what it really is! The idea of vomit doesn’t bring to mind pleasant thoughts, but God uses the image to illustrate sin.

The Christian. Many religions Erroneously believe that once one becomes a child of God he can never so

sin as to lose his salvation. The Bible emphasises that one can fall from grace (Galatians 5:4). A christian can once again becoming entangled in the pollutions of the world, and the effect is compared to to a dog returning to his own vomit (2 Peter 2:20-22).

The church. The book of Revelation speaks of the church at Laodicea becoming unfaithful without realizing it. They were lukewarm and the Lord said, “*I will vomit you out of My mouth*” (Revelation 3:15). Both christians and churches need to be careful to “*Maintain good works*” so as not to discust the Lord (Titus 3:14). ☞

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](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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## GOSPEL MEETINGS

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Our Gospel Meeting with Edward O. Bragwell, Sr. is scheduled for June 8-13 (Sunday – Friday). What is its purpose? What is its aim? What is it we hope to accomplish by holding this series of meetings? A Gospel Meeting...

**REINFORCES.** All of our services, including Gospel Meetings, serve to reinforce us as Christians. An entire week of services gives us more opportunities to worship with the saints (Hebrews 10:24-25), thereby strengthening our relationships with them and gaining from them strength to live godly lives. We are also reinforced doctrinally. At each service there is a sermon presented; the lessons will either remind us of things we’ve already learned (2 Peter 1:12), or teach us new things we need to grow in knowledge (2 Peter 3:18). Both are essential to our remaining faithful to the Lord.

**RALLIES.** Gospel Meetings help rally us on in our good works. We must never allow our schedules or other interests to hinder our good works (Galatians 6:9). One of the best good works we can do is share with others around us the opportunity to hear the soul saving Gospel (Romans

1:16). Whenever we have a Gospel Meeting, all of the members are urged to invite their friends, neighbors, or others in the community. Our Gospel Meetings are advertised through many outlets, and we encourage our members to invite others to the meeting. In a sense, we rally everyone to participate in this. This helps us establish skills and courage in inviting others to any or all of our services throughout the year. So please, everyone, take the time to invite others to our services (make use of the flyers and Postcards) so others might be exposed to the saving message of the Gospel.

**REACHES.** Not only do our Gospel Meetings serve to edify the saints here, and strive to spread the Gospel in our community, they also reach beyond the confines of our town. Flyers are sent to many other local churches throughout middle Tennessee. As a result, we have visitors from other congregations. They, too, are strengthened by the services in all the same ways we are. In this sense, Gospel Meetings have success in reaching out to other children of God. Please make a special effort to greet all of our visitors throughout our meeting week. Be friendly and hospitable. ☞

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# Gospel Meeting

June 08-13

## Southside church of Christ

1167 S. Lowry Street, Smyrna, TN 37167

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

For Directions Call (615) 785-0646

### 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

### The Ugly Consequences of Sin

Introduction:

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

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

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

#### DUTY LIST...

##### SUNDAY MORNING

- Announcements.....Michael Pickford
- Bible Reading by.....Glenn Isbell  
Reading: 2 Peter 2:18-22
- Song Leader.....Lynn Buttrey
- Opening Prayer.....Sam Miller
- Lord's Table:  
Lead.....Kenny Todd  
Serve.....Michael Pickford  
Serve.....Frank Anderson
- Closing Prayer.....Ben Reagh

##### SUNDAY EVENING

- Song Leader.....Michael Pickford
- Lord's Table.....Kenny Todd

##### WEDNESDAY EVENING

- Song Leader.....Tony Jenkins
- Invitation.....Michael Pickford

##### 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!**