

The elements of our worship, 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



- ➤ <u>www.defendthegospel.com</u>
- ➤ 1st Sunday Singing Night: 6 pm
- > 5th Sunday Night: Guest Speaker
- Men's Business Meeting. 1st
 Monday of each month at 7 pm.



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SILENCING THE IGNORANT

Michael Pickford

Peter spoke of silencing the ignorance of foolish men in 1 Peter 2:15. Contextually, he was referring back to verse 12 to those who would accuse Christians of being evildoers. In modern-day America, it seems incredible that folks would think of Christians as evildoers. Unfortunately, some Christians have justified that charge with inconsistent living. Open your Bibles and study the following ways we can silence the ignorance of those who would dare bring such a charge against us....

Obeying The Law: 1 Pt 2:13-15; Mtt 22:21; Rom 13:1-4; Acts 5:29

Supporting Gospel Preaching: Rom 1:16-17; 1 Tim.

3:15; 2 Cor 11:8; 1 Ths 1:6-10; Acts 8:4

Caring For The Needy: 1 Tim. 5:16; Acts 11:27-30; Gal 6:6-10: Jms 1:27

Putting Our Best In Worship: Heb 12:28; Eph 5:19; Col

3:16; 2 Cor. 9:6-7; 1 Cor. 11:26-29; Psa. 89:7

Practicing What We Preach: Mtt 5:16; Acts 1:1Mtt

23:3; Gal 2:11-13

Enduring suffering for doing well: 1 Pt 2:20-23; 4:14-

16; Mtt 5:10; Gal 6:9

Contending For The Faith: Jude 1:3; Php 1:17; 1 Pt 3:15 *>*

"WHAT DOES THE SCRIPTURE SAY?"

David Eldridge

Paul asked, "What does the Scripture say?" (Rom. 4:3). You'll often hear talk about needing book, chapter, and verse for things taught and practiced. Why ask, "What does the Scripture say?"

Because This Was Jesus' Appeal: Jesus often cited Scripture (cf. Lk. 4:21; Jn. 7:38). He also told people to "search the Scriptures" (Jn. 5:39). Jesus expected others to be concerned about Scripture, asking, "Have you not even read this Scripture" (Mk. 12:10).

Because This Was The Appeal Of Inspired Men: Paul asked, "What does the Scripture say?" (Rom. 4:3; Gal. 4:30). James spoke of what "the Scripture says" (Jas. 4:5). Peter wrote of things "contained in the Scripture" (1 Pet. 2:6).

Because The Scripture Is Inspired By God: "All Scripture is given by inspiration of God" (2 Tim. 3:16). This is our reason for appealing to Scripture. Reading the Scriptures, we are not reading men's words, but the words of God (2 Pet. 1:20-21).

Because The Scriptures Are Profitable: Paul penned, "All Scripture...is profitable for doctrine, for reproof, for correction, for instruction in righteousness, that the man of God may be complete, thoroughly equipped for every good work" (2 Tim. 3:16-17).

Because Not Knowing The Scripture Causes Destruction:

Speaking to the Sadducees, Jesus said, "Do ye not therefore err, because ye know not the scriptures, neither the power of God?" (Mk. 12:24). You see, when one does not know what the Scripture says, they err. This error that comes from a failure to know the Scripture will result in destruction. To those of old, God said, "My people are destroyed for lack of knowledge" (Hos. 4:6).

"I would rather have thousands to say to me at the judgement, "We heard you preach, and you hurt our feelings", than just one lost soul to say, "I heard you preach, but you did not tell me the truth".

– JOHN T. LEWIS

DUTY LIST... SUNDAY MORNING

- > Announcements.....Michael Pickford
- ➤ Scripture Reading...Tim Thompson Reading: Proverbs 16:1-8
- ➤ Song Leader.....Lynn Buttrey
- ➤ Opening Prayer......Kenny Johnson
- ➤ Lord's Table:

Lead......Kenny Todd Serve.....Jeff Isbell Serve.....John Nelson

Closing Prayer......Kenny Todd

SUNDAY EVENING

- ➤ Song Leader.....Kenny Todd
- ➤ Lord's Table.....Kenny Todd

WEDNESDAY EVENING

- Song Leader......Lynn Buttrey
- > Invitation.....Michael Pickford

Thank You For Serving!

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; 17:30
- ➤ Confess Faith: Romans 10:9, 10
- ➤ <u>Be Baptized</u>: Mark 16:16; Acts 2:38; Acts 22:16; 1 Peter 3:21
- > Remain Faithful: Rev. 2:10

Obey Today!

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