### DUTY LIST...

### **SUNDAY MORNING**

- > Announcements.....Michael Pickford
- ➤ Scripture Reading...Eli Todd Reading: Luke 24:1-10
- ➤ Song Leader.....Kenny Johnson
- ➤ Opening Prayer......Jeff Isbell
- ➤ Lord's Table:

Lead.....Michael Pickford Serve......Eli Todd

Serve.....

Closing Prayer......Kenny Todd

### **SUNDAY EVENING**

- Scripture Reading...
  Reading:
- ➤ Song Leader.....
- ➤ Lord's Supper......

### **WEDNESDAY EVENING**

- ➤ Song Leader.....
- > Invitation.....

### **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.

- ➤ <u>Hear the Gospel</u>: Romans 10:17
- ➤ <u>Believe</u>: Mark 16:16; John 8:24
- Repent of Sin: Acts 2:38; Acts 17:30

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- 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!

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# Joanna

JOANNA IS ANOTHER BIBLE character who gets a brief but powerful mention in the Bible. You can find her in Luke 8:3 as well as Luke 24:10. She was healed by Jesus. She provided substance for Jesus. She was a steward to Herod, and she was part of the group of women who found Jesus' tomb empty.

Joanna had access to the king (Luke 8:3). She was a steward for King Herod, but she became a servant of King Jesus. What a glorious blessing for her to be found in the company of Jesus. Jesus healed her of evil spirits and infirmities. Jesus, with His blood, can heal us from the greatness sickness of all – sin (1 Peter 1:18-19). Like Joanna, we can become His servant and continue in His service (Acts 22:16; Revelation 2:10).

Joanna provided for Jesus from her substance (Luke 8:3). Johanna was hospitable to her Lord and His companions. Could you imagine knowing Jesus while He was walking the earth, and assisting Him with His physical needs? Jesus desires for His servants today to feed the hungry. And He said when we do so, it is as if we are feeding Him (Matthew 25:35-40). Joanna was ready to give and willing to share what was hers to help others. We are exhorted to be "given to hospitality" and to be "distributing to the needs of the saints" (Romans 12:13).

Joanna remembered the words of Jesus (Luke 24:8). The "two men" at Jesus' empty tomb asked the women to remember what Jesus had told them about how He would suffer, die, and rise again. And they (including Joanna) remembered His words. Oh, that people today would remember the words of Jesus! "He who believes and is baptized will be saved" (Mark 16:16). This to prepare for something else Jesus spoke about—the resurrection of all who are in the graves with those who have done good receiving eternal life and those who have done evil receiving eternal punishment (John 5:28-29).—

We would love to have you visit with us. Our meeting times are:

SUNDAYS: 9 & 10 AM & 6 PM / WEDNESDAYS: 7 PM

We have capable Bible teachers who would be delighted to study with you at your request and convenience.

Our evangelist, Michael Pickford is the editor of this publication.

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# **Some Things I Have**

NOW THAT I AM A CHRISTIAN, there are some things I have as set forth in First Peter.

A LIVELY HOPE. Peter said, "...begotten...unto a lively hope..." (1:3). There is one hope (Eph. 4:4), the hope of the gospel, in heaven (Col. 1:5, 23).

AN INHERITANCE. "To an inheritance incorruptible, and undefiled, and that fadeth not away, reserved in heaven for you" (1:4). What a blessing!

SALVATION. Not only have I received salvation from my past sins when I was baptized (Mk. 16:16; Rom. 3:25), but through faith I have eternal salvation in heaven to look forward to (1:5, 9).

A PURIFIED SOUL. "Seeing ye have purified your souls in obeying the truth..." (1:22). Now I aim to keep it that way (1 Tim. 5:22).

OBTAINED MERCY. God has granted to me (the unworthy) favor, benefits, opportunities, and salvation by Christ! (2:10).

PEACE. Peter closes with these words: "Peace be with you all that are in Christ Jesus" (5:14). This is "the tranquil state of a soul assured of its salvation through Christ, and so fearing nothing from God and content with its earthly lot, of whatsoever sort that is" (Thayer). This passes all understanding (Phil. 4:7).

What I have is of great value. I will not trade them for anything in this world!

-John Edwards

## The Greatest Of All Time

MEN HAVE LONG BEEN concerned about greatness. In various fields of human achievement, there are those who argue who is the greatest of all time. They are often referred to as the GOAT. There is no greater man to have walked the face of this earth than the Son of Man, Jesus Christ, the Son of the living God.

Jesus said to the scribes and Pharisees, "...behold, a greater than Jonas is here" (Mt. 12:41). And again, "...behold, a greater than Solomon is here" (Mt. 12:42). The woman of Samaria asked Jesus, "Art thou greater than our father Jacob, which gave us the well, and drank thereof himself, and his children, and his cattle?" (Jn. 4:12). She quickly learned that Jesus is the Christ (vv. 25-29). The Jews questioned, "Art thou greater than our father Abraham, which is dead?" (Jn. 8:53). Jesus informed them, "Before Abraham was, I am" (Jn. 8:58).

John recorded, "In the beginning was the Word, and the Word was with God, and the Word was God. The same was in the beginning with God. All things were made by him; and without him was not any thing made that was made....And the word was made flesh and dwelt among us, (and we beheld his glory, the glory as of the only begotten of the Father,) full of grace and truth" (Jn. 1:1-3, 14). John said of Jesus, "Behold the Lamb of God, which taketh away the sin of the world" (Jn. 1:29). No one else can do that!

I suggest that the greatest of all time is not spelled G-O-A-T, but L-A-M-B.

-John Edwards

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