DUTY LIST...

SUNDAY MORNING

- > Announcements.....Kenny Todd
- Scripture Reading...Jeff Isbell Reading: TBA
- ➤ Song Leader.....Robert Johnson
- > Opening Prayer.....Lynn Buttrey
- ➤ Lord's Table:

Lead.....Kenny Todd Serve......Eli Todd Serve.....

Closing Prayer......Kenny Johnson

SUNDAY EVENING

- > Song Leader.....Kenny Johnson
- Opening Prayer....Eli Todd
- ➤ Invitation.....Kenny Todd
- ➤ Lord's Supper......Mike P. / Eli T.
- Closing Prayer.....Michael Pickford

God's Plan of Salvation

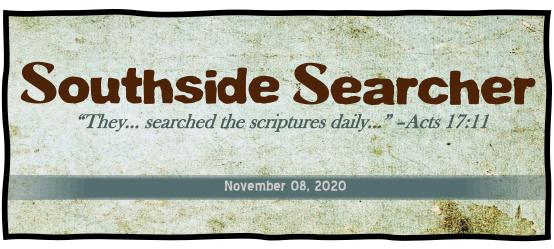
There is only one true saving plan of Salvation outlined in Scripture. No substitutes will do. Have you really been saved? Get out your Bible and study the plan below.

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

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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!



The Purpose Of The Lord's Supper

THE VERY PURPOSE OF THE observance of the Lord's Supper is to "Proclaim" the Lord's death till he comes" (1 Corinthians 11:26). During its observance, we are to lay aside all other thoughts and focus solely upon that great sacrifice of Love – Christ on the cross!

The observance of the Lord's supper can be perverted, as is evidenced by a reading of 1 Corinthians 11:17-34. The purpose of the supper is not to provide a meal to fulfill the partakers' physical appetites. "If anyone is hungry, let him eat at home." (1 Corinthians 11:34).

The Lord's Supper is to be observed upon the first day of each week as is exemplified in Acts 20:7. It is not to be observed alone at home, on the side of the road, in the back room, et. al., but rather when the local church comes "Together as a church...in one place" (1 Corinthians 11:18, 20). Paul and his companions waited till the "Disciples came together" to partake (Acts 20:7).

Some churches make their observance long and drawn out. That's fine, so long as they don't bind that on others nor think other churches "Less spiritual" for not doing the same. The Lord kept it simple. He blessed and broke the bread, and then the cup, accompanied by a "Short talk" (Matthew 26:26-29).

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

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

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Some Things To Consider

The word "consider," as used in God's Word, means "to learn thoroughly; to note accurately; to think about, ponder; to behold; to perceive." Understanding this, have you considered the following?

- 1. <u>Have You Considered Job?</u> This was the twice uttered query of God in Job 1:8 and Job 2:3. He was asking Satan about Job, who was described as man who was "perfect and upright, and one that feared God, and eschewed evil" (Job 1:1, Job 2:3). We would do well to learn to walk in the ways of Job, who was championed in James 5:11 for his "patience."
- 2. <u>Have You Considered The Poor?</u> The Psalmist penned "Blessed is he that considereth the poor" (Psa. 41:1). The wise man added "The righteous considereth the cause of the poor" (Prov. 29:7). Most likely, there are scores of folks much worse off than we. May we take note of them, and do our best to help in their time of need.
- 3. <u>Have You Considered The Latter End?</u> Moses wrote of this in Deut. 32:29. Each day should be lived knowing it could be our last (Heb. 9:27).
- 4. <u>Have You Considered The Ant's Way?</u> This is the plea of Solomon in Prov. 6:6. Of the ant he writes "having no guide, overseer, or ruler, Provideth her meat in the summer, and gathereth her food in the harvest" (Prov. 6:7-8). This wisdom is provided for those who are tempted to be lazy. Think about the ant, and be busy doing good.
- 5. <u>Have You Considered Your Ways?</u> The prophet Hosea demanded the people do so (Hos. 1:5). Special emphasis is placed

- upon the individual in this place. Paul wrote "Brethren, if a man be overtaken in a fault, ye which are spiritual, restore such an one in the spirit of meekness; considering thyself, lest thou also be tempted" (Gal. 6:1). Timothy was taught "Take heed unto thyself, and unto the doctrine; continue in them: for in doing this thou shalt both save thyself, and them that hear thee" (I Tim. 4:16). An individual's spiritual duty is first to himself. The individual is commanded to "keep himself unspotted from the world" (James 1:27). Ponder your life and ensure it is in line with God's Word.
- 6. <u>Have You Considered The Lilies Of The Field?</u> The Lord asked you to in Matt. 6:28. In Luke's recording of the same event, he said "Consider the ravens" and "Consider the lilies" (Lk. 12:24,27). God provides for both the lily and the raven. We should understand how we are "better" than they, and God will certainly provide for us (Lk. 12:30; Matt. 6:32).
- 7. Have You Considered One Another? The writer of Hebrews ordered us to do so in Heb. 10:24. This directive is immediately followed by "Not forsaking the assembling of ourselves together, as the manner of some is; but exhorting one another: and so much the more, as ye see the day approaching" (Heb. 10:25). One way for a Christian to be considerate of his brethren is to be faithful and steady in his attendance. How are you doing?
- 8. <u>Have You Considered God's Testimony?</u> David did in Psa. 119:95. May we learn to look to God's Word first and only, for within it are "all things that pertain unto life and godliness" (II Pet. 1:3).