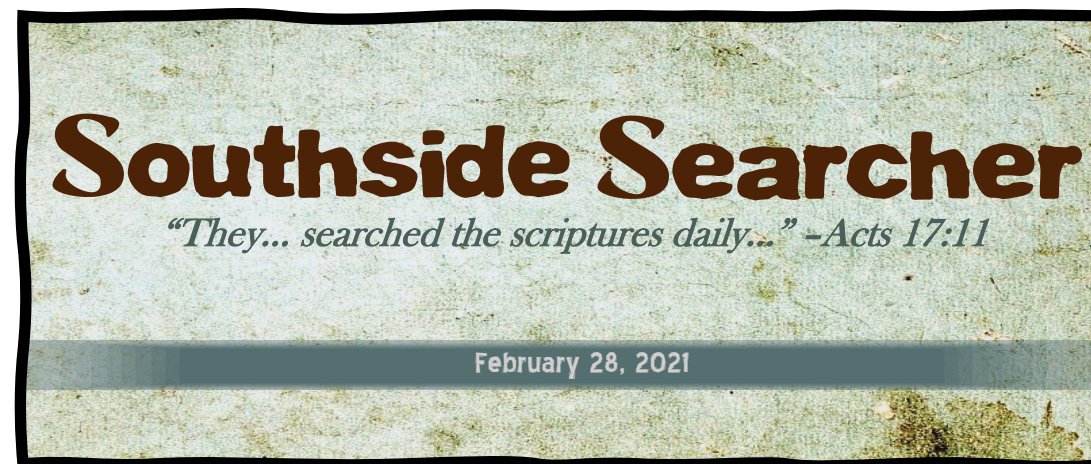


<p>DUTY LIST...</p> <p>SUNDAY MORNING</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> ➤ Announcements.....Michael Pickford ➤ Scripture Reading...Kenny Todd Reading: Mark 9:42-48 ➤ Song Leader.....Lynn Buttrey ➤ Opening Prayer.....Robert Johnson ➤ Lord's Table: Lead.....Michael Pickford Serve.....Eli Todd Serve..... ➤ Closing Prayer.....Kenny Johnson <p>SUNDAY EVENING</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> ➤ Song Leader.....Jeff Isbell ➤ Opening Prayer....Kenny Johnson ➤ Invitation.....Eli Todd ➤ Lord's Supper.....Mike P. / Eli T. ➤ Closing Prayer.....Kenny Todd ➤ 	<p style="text-align: center;">God's Plan of Salvation</p> <p>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.</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> ➤ <u>Hear the Gospel</u>: Romans 10:17 ➤ <u>Believe</u>: Mark 16:16; John 8:24 ➤ <u>Repent of Sin</u>: Acts 2:38; Acts 17:30 ➤ <u>Confess Faith</u>: Romans 10:9, 10 ➤ <u>Be Baptized</u>: Mark 16:16; Acts 2:38; Acts 22:16; 1 Peter 3:21 ➤ <u>Remain Faithful</u>: Rev. 2:10 <p style="text-align: center;">Obey Today!</p>
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True Freedom

“If you abide in My word, you are My disciples indeed. And you shall know the truth, and the truth shall make you free.” –John 8:31-32

Freedom is a marvelous thing. Ask anyone who has just been released from a long prison sentence. Ask anyone who has moved to America from an oppressive government. Ask anyone who has retired from work. Ask anyone who has paid off all their debt. But most of all, ask anyone who has obeyed the Gospel of Jesus Christ.

Jesus speaks here of freedom belonging to His true disciples. But He identifies a true disciple as one who abides in His words. Discipleship begins by accepting His teachings. Many claim to be His disciple yet they reject what He said in Mark 16:16, *“He who believes and is baptized shall be Saved.”*

Jesus speaks of the truth making us free. The truth is the word of God (John 17:17). God's word, if obeyed, frees us from our sins. The truth Jesus taught in Mark 16:16 is exemplified in Acts 22:16 as Saul is commanded to arise and be baptized and wash away his sins. Freedom from sin!

The truth also frees us from religious error—If we love it! Paul spoke of “those who perish, because they did not receive the love of the truth, that they might be saved” (2 Thessalonians 2:10). Any error can be identified with honest, open-hearted, diligent bible study (Acts 17:11). This is how we *“Test the spirits, whether they are of God...”* (1 John 5:1).

Do not be enamored with popular sentiments and even more popular errors. Error comforts, but it is a false comfort. Let the truth free you!

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What Shall I Do Then With Jesus?

“What shall I do then with Jesus which is called Christ?” (Mt. 27:22) is a question that must come into the mind of every man, woman, boy and girl.

HEAR HIM. At the transfiguration mount, God the Father said of Jesus: “This is my beloved Son, in whom I am well pleased; hear ye him” (Mt. 17:5).

BELIEVE ON HIM. John recorded, “He that believeth on the Son hath everlasting life: and he that believeth not the Son shall not see life; but the wrath of God abideth on him” (Jn. 3:36).

REPENT AS COMMANDED BY HIM. Jesus proclaimed, “I tell you, Nay: but, except ye repent, ye shall all likewise perish” (Lk. 13:3, 5). Repentance is a change of one’s will that results in a change in one’s walk (Mt. 21:28-30).

CONFESS HIM. Jesus said, “Whosoever therefore shall confess me before men, him will I confess also before my Father which is in heaven” (Mt. 10:32).

BE BURIED WITH HIM. As “we are buried with him by baptism into death” (Rom. 6:3-4), we reach the benefits of the blood of Jesus and are washed from our sins (Jn. 19:33-34; Rev. 1:5).

WALK IN HIM. “As ye have therefore received Christ Jesus the Lord, so walk ye in him” (Col. 2:6). What will you do with Jesus?

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Some Things That Do Not Save

MORALITY BY ITSELF. Cornelius was a good moral man (Acts 10:2), but had to hear words whereby he could be saved (Acts 11:14). If saved by his moral goodness, then saved without faith for “faith cometh by hearing, and hearing by the word of God” (Rom. 10:17).

PRAYER ALONE. Saul was praying (Acts 9:11), but Ananias had to go to him and tell him what the Lord wanted him to do (Acts 9:1-18). If he was saved by prayer, then he was saved before he was told what he must do!

FAITH ONLY. The only time the words “faith only” occur in the Bible is in James 2:24 which says: “Ye see then how that by a works a man is justified and not by faith only.”

JUST CALLING THE LORD’S NAME. “Not every one that saith unto me, Lord, Lord, shall enter into the kingdom of heaven; but he that doeth the will of my Father which is in heaven” (Mt. 7:21).

SEEING A VISION. Some have said, “I saw a vision and was saved.” Saul saw a vision (Acts 9:12), but was not saved. Cornelius saw a vision (Acts 10:3), but was not saved. If saved by seeing a vision, then saved before they heard and believed!

SIMPLY BELONGING TO A CHURCH. There is one church (Eph. 4:4; Col. 1:24), the Lord’s (Mt. 16:18). The saved are in it (Acts 2:47; Eph. 5:23). Even some in the Lord’s church will not be saved (Mt. 13:41-42).

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