# DUTY LIST...

## **SUNDAY MORNING**

- > Announcements.....Michael Pickford
- Scripture Reading...Jeff Isbell Reading: TBA
- > Song Leader.....Michael Pickford
- ➤ Opening Prayer.....Lynn Buttrey
- ➤ Lord's Table:

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

Closing Prayer......Kenny Johnson

### **SUNDAY EVENING**

- > Song Leader.....Kenny Johnson
- Opening Prayer....Eli Todd
- > Invitation....Michael Pickford
- ➤ 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.

- ➤ <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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# **Expressions Of Humility**

CONSIDER SOME THINGS the word of the Lord says with regard to humility: "...before honour is humility" (Prov. 15:33). "Better it is to be of an humble spirit with the lowly, than to divide the spoil with the proud" (Prov. 16:19). "By humility and the fear of the LORD are riches, and honour, and life" (Prov. 22:4). "A man's pride shall bring him low: but honour shall uphold the humble in spirit" (Prov. 29:23). "...be clothed with humility: for God resisteth the proud, and giveth grace to the humble" (1 Pet. 5:5). Now, let me call to attention some expressions of humility:

"I AM BUT DUST AND ASHES." When Abraham made intercession for the men of Sodom, he answered the Lord with the words: "Behold now, I have taken upon me to speak unto the Lord, which am but dust and ashes" (Gen. 18:27). Notice the humility with which this servant of God entreated the Lord. We would do well to recognize that we are but dust and ashes. "And the Lord God formed man of the dust of the ground, and breathed into his nostrils the breath of life; and man became a living soul" (Gen. 2:7). When the penalty of sin was first handed out, Adam was told, "In the sweat of thy face shalt thou eat bread, till thou return unto the ground; for out of it wast thou taken: for dust thou art, and unto dust shalt thou return" (Gen. 3:19).

"I AM NOT WORTHY." When Jacob petitioned the Lord he said, "I am not worthy of the least of all the mercies, and of all the truth, which thou hast shewed unto thy servant; for with my staff I passed over this Jordan; and now I am become two bands" (Gen. 32:10). Do we act as if we are worthy of what the Lord has done for us? Others expressed a similar sentiment of humility. John, the forerunner of the Lord, declared, "I indeed baptize you with water unto repentance: but he that cometh after me is mightier than I, whose shoes I am not worthy to bear: he shall baptize you with the Holy Ghost, and with fire" (Mt. 3:11). A centurion, when beseeching the Lord on

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1167 South Lowry Street, Smyrna, TN 37167 | 615-459-7854 Southside Searcher, Volume 17, Number 11 behalf of his servant, said, "Lord, I am not worthy that thou shouldest come under my roof: but speak the word only, and my servant shall be healed" (Mt. 8:8). "I am not worthy" is an expression of humility.

"WHO AM I?" Observe the humility of Moses, when the Lord called him to bring forth His people the children of Israel out of Egypt: "And Moses said unto God, Who am I, that I should go unto Pharaoh, and that I should bring forth the children of Israel out of Egypt?" (Ex. 3:11). David uttered these same words when King Saul pledged to give his daughter to him to wife. "And David said unto Saul, Who am I? and what is my life, or my father's family in Israel, that I should be son in law to the king?" (1 Sam. 18:18). And again, in 2 Samuel 7, when God promised to make David an house, King David replied, "Who am I, O Lord God? and what is my house, that thou hast brought me hitherto? And this was yet a small thing in thy sight, O Lord God; but thou hast spoken also of thy servant's house for a great while to come. And is this the manner of man, O Lord God?" (vv. 18-19). Would you have said, "Who am I?"

"I AM LEAST." When the Lord called Gideon to save Israel from the hand of the Midianites, Gideon expressed humility in this response: "Oh my Lord, wherewith shall I save Israel? behold, my family is poor in Manasseh, and I am the least in my father's house" (Judg. 6:15). If asked, "Who is the greatest in your family?", some would say, "I am!" When the Lord was looking for one to deliver His people, he found a humble man! Would that have been you?

"O MY GOD, I AM ASHAMED AND BLUSH TO LIFT UP MY FACE TO THEE." These words were spoken by Ezra when it was reported to him that the people of Israel "...have not separated themselves from the people of the lands, doing according to their abominations...so that the holy seed have mingled themselves with the people of those lands...." (Ezra 9:1-2). When Ezra heard this thing, he rent his garment and mantle, plucked off the hair of his head and beard, and at the evening sacrifice fell upon his knees and, with hands spread out unto the Lord, said, "O my God, I am ashamed and blush to lift up my face to thee, my God: for our iniquities are increased over our head, and our trespass is grown up unto the heavens" (Ezra 9:6). Ezra's prayer to God, with confession of sins, was an expression of humility! Part of Israel's problem, during the days of Jeremiah, was the inability to blush due to no sense of shame. "Were they ashamed when they had committed abomination? nay, they were not at all ashamed, neither could they blush...." (Jer. 6:15; 8:12).

-John Edwards

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# "Cussing"/Filthy Language

"But now you yourselves are to put off all these: anger, wrath, malice, blasphemy, filthy language out of your mouth."

-Colossians 3:8

"But fornication and all uncleanness or covetousness, let it not even be named among you, as is fitting for saints; neither filthiness, nor foolish talking, nor coarse jesting, which are not fitting, but rather giving of thanks."

-Ephesians 5:3-4

"But I say to you that for every idle word men may speak, they will give account of it in the day of judgment. For by your words you will be justified, and by your words you will be condemned."

-Matthew 12:36-37

"And the tongue is a fire, a world of iniquity. The tongue is so set among our members that it defiles the whole body, and sets on fire the course of nature; and it is set on fire by hell. With it we bless our God and Father, and with it we curse men, who have been made in the similitude of God. Out of the same mouth proceed blessing and cursing. My brethren, these things ought not to be so."

-James 3:6, 9-10

"The tongue of the wise uses knowledge rightly, But the mouth of fools pours forth foolishness."

-Proverbs 15:2

"A wholesome tongue is a tree of life, But perverseness in it breaks the spirit." -Proverbs 15:4

"Let no corrupt word proceed out of your mouth, but what is good for necessary edification, that it may impart grace to the hearers."

-Ephesians 4:29

"You shall not take the name of the Lord your God in vain, for the Lord will not hold him guiltless who takes His name in vain."

-Exodus 20:7