

IGNORANT OF GOD'S RIGHTEOUSNESS

ROM. 10:1-3

RIGHTEOUSNESS - GOD'S MEANS OF SALVATION - HIS REQUIREMENTS - COMMANDMENTS - PS. 119:172

IGNORANCE OF WHO SAVED

"NO EFFORT TO PLEASE GOD" - MT. 7:21

"GOOD - HONEST MAN" - ACTS 10:1, 2, 22:11-14

"CHARITABLE" - MT. 7:22, 23

"GOOD CONSCIENCE" - ACTS 23:1-26; 9:11; GAL. 1:13, 14

"PARENTS MUST BE RIGHT" - MT. 10:37

SALVATION IS PERSONAL - MK. 16:16; GAL. 6:5

OBEYENT TO BE SAVED - HEB. 5:8, 9



ACTS 17:30, 31

IGNORANCE OF WHERE SAVED

"CHURCH DOESN'T SAVE" - ACTS 2:47; 20:28

"IN DENOMINATIONALISM" - MT. 15:13

"IN MASONIC LODGE" - JO. 14:6; 3:19-21; MK. 16:15

SAVED ARE IN CHRIST - IN HIS CHURCH

ACTS 2:47; EPH. 5:23

Steve Hudgins, Via <http://executableoutlines.com/charts>

IGNORANCE OF HOW SAVED

"FAITH ONLY" - JS. 2:20-24

"THROUGH PRAYER" - 1 PET. 3:12; ACTS 22:16

"WHILE PLOWING" - 2 COR. 7:10; ACTS 2:38

"LIKE THIEF" - MT. 1:21; 1 PET. 2:21; HEB. 9:16, 17

"GET RELIGION" - ACTS 26:4, 5; JS. 1:27

"BELIEVE PREACHERS" - 2 PET. 2:13; GAL. 1:8, 9

"FOLLOW HUMAN CREEDS" - MT. 15:8, 9; 2 JO. 9

BY OBEYING THE GOSPEL - ROM. 6:17, 18, 1-5

IGNORANCE OF KEEPING SAVED

"CAN'T FALL" - 1 COR. 9:27; 10:12

"WORSHIP IN ANY WAY" - JO. 4:23, 24

"STEADFASTNESS NOT ESSENTIAL" - 1 COR. 15:58

"MODERATELY WORLDLY" - 1 JO. 2:15-17; JS. 4:4

"DETERMINE OWN GOOD WORKS" - 2 TIM. 3:16, 17; 1 TIM. 5:16

FAITHFULNESS IS NECESSARY - REV. 2:10



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"They...searched the scriptures daily..." - Acts 17:11

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LET THERE BE LIGHT

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God said to a dark world, "Let there be light; and there was light" (Genesis 1:3). Consider other sources of light God has provided us as we examine this phrase, "Let there be light"...

The Sun. I always found it interesting that the Sun wasn't created until day four, while light itself had appeared on the first day. The sun is a great blessing from God, providing not only light, but also heat, healing factors, and essential elements for vegetation survival. God called the sun "Good," but as usual, the devil sought to pervert that which is good. Many historical cultures have engaged in sun worship. Egypt had Ra the sun god. The Greeks honored Helios, and the Persians had Mithra. In addition to these, sun worship has been found in Babylonian texts and in a number of Asian religious cults. Some Native American tribes still perform something called a "Sun Dance." The sun should not be worshipped as a god, rather it should serve as evidence of the true and living God (see Romans 1:20-23). The sun is not a god itself, but rather is there to "Declare the glory of God" (Psalm 19:1-6).

The Scriptures. In speaking of Scripture, David said, "Your word is a

lamp to my feet and a light to my path" (Psalm 119:105). God's word is truth (John 17:17). As such, it alone has the ability to deliver us from the myriad sources of religious error taught in any age. It alone has the ability to impart to us true "enlightening" in the midst of a world of spiritual darkness and confusion (Psalm 19:8). It is God's power to salvation (Romans 1:16) and we are to use it as God's sword to expose "The unfruitful works of darkness" (Ephesians 6:17; 5:11). Instead of living lust-filled, out of control lives in the darkness of sin, Scripture shows us how to "Walk as children of light" (Ephesians 5:8-9), directing our good works. What a blessing God's word is!

The Savior. Jesus came as the "Light of the world" and those who obey Him will not be in spiritual darkness, but will have the "Light of life" (John 8:12; Hebrews 5:8-9). John the apostle wrote of this light and John the Baptist testified of this Light (John 1:4, 6-8). When Jesus began His ministry He was as Light dawning among those who sat in darkness and in the shadow of death (Matthew 4:15-16). Outside Christ we are lost in sin, baptism puts us in the

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SUNDAY MORNING WORSHIP.....10:00

SUNDAY EVENING WORSHIP.....6:00

WEDNESDAY EVENING SERVICES....7:00

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- 4th Sunday Singing Night: 6 pm
- Radio program on wgns. 15 minute sermon every Sunday morning from 10:45 - 11:00.
- Children's Class: Every 2nd & 4th Sunday at 5:30 pm
- 5th Sunday Prayer Service, 6 pm
- Men's Business Meeting. 1st Sunday evenings following services.

HEAR IS YOUR ANSWER

Michael Pickford

“So then faith comes by hearing, and hearing by the word of God”

-Romans 10:17

How does one come to believe in the Lord Jesus Christ as God’s Son?

Some would have us believe that faith comes in some miraculous way. We’re told that God somehow operates on the Heart via the Holy Spirit and instills soul-saving faith. Don’t look for scripture to learn about this method, it’s not there.

Some teach that God instills faith into a sinner’s heart through some sort of mystical communication. A man tells how a voice spoke to him in the darkness of the night, while another speaks of how an angel appeared to him in a dream. No scripture for this one either.

Some believe God bestows faith in some grandiose way. For example, one survives a tragic accident that “No man could have survived” and as a result he became a believer. Still no scripture.

Some think God speaks to them by causing Jesus’ face to appear on the side of a barn, or in a piece of toast, or in a cloud, etc. Scripture please?

So, if you’re an unbeliever, how would you come to have faith in the Lord Jesus? Well, Hear, is your answer. That’s right. It’s that simple. God has chosen the preaching of the Gospel as the means to bring men to faith in Christ. So one must hear the Gospel if he would come to believe. Why else would the Lord send His disciples to preach “*To every creature*” (Mark 16:15)? Because faith comes by hearing God’s word (Romans 10:17). 🔍

SERMON NOTES

Search the scriptures daily to see if these things are so.

**STUDY
DAILY!
Acts
17:11**

The Queen James Version

Introduction:

I. _____

II. _____

III. _____

THIS WEEK’S MESSAGE FOR OUTSIDE SIGN
(Thanks to anyone who can stay after services tonight and help change the sign.)

ONE SIDE:
SALVATION IS IN CHRIST
2 TIMOTHY 2:10

OTHER SIDE:
ARE YOU IN CHRIST?
GALATIANS 3:26-27



DUTY LIST...

SUNDAY MORNING

- Announcements.....Jason Hubbard
- Bible Reading by.....Frank Anderson
Reading: Proverbs 30:5-6
- Song Leader.....Lynn Buttrey
- Opening Prayer.....Ben Green
- Lord’s Table:
Lead.....Tony Jenkins
Serve.....John Nelson
Serve.....Ben Reagh
- Closing Prayer.....Kenny Todd

SUNDAY EVENING

- Song Leader.....Tony Jenkins
- Lord’s Table.....Kenny Johnson

WEDNESDAY EVENING

- Song Leader.....Kenny Todd
- Invitation.....Ben Green

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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
- 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!