WHOEVER GUARDS HIS

Mouth and Tongue

keeps his SOUI from Troubles.

- Proverbs 21:23

The elements of our worship, as prescribed by God's word, are as follows:

- SINGING: Ephesians 5:18,19; Colossians 3:16
- *PREACHING/TEACHING:* Acts2:42; Eph. 4:11,12
- *PRAYING:* Acts 2:42; Acts 12:5
- *LORD'S SUPPER*: 1 Corinthians 11:23-26; Acts 20:7
- GIVING: 1 Corinthians 16:1,2; 2 Corinthians 9:6,7

COME WORSHIP WITH US!

SUNDAY MORNING BIBLE STUDY...9:00 SUNDAY MORNING WORSHIP.......10:00 SUNDAY EVENING WORSHIP.......6:00 WEDNESDAY EVENING SERVICES....7:00



- **>** <u>www.defendthegospel.com</u>
- > 1st Sunday Singing Night: 6 pm
- > 5th Sunday Night: Guest Speaker
- Men's Business Meeting. 1st Sunday night of each month Following Services.

SOUTHSIDE SEARCHER

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BE A GOOD ONE

Michael Pickford

Most president's of the United States become famous for their quotes. Abraham Lincoln was no exception. He once said, "Whatever you are, be a good one." Whatever vocation you find yourself in, there's great value in doing your best. Whether you're the CEO of a large corporation, or a Customer Service Representative at a candy store, strive to do the job well. Be a good one.

Nowhere is this concept more important than in spiritual matters. It's essential to become a Christian if you want to make it to heaven. That is done by hearing the Gospel, believing Jesus to be God's Son, repenting of your sins, confessing your faith in Christ, and then being baptized to have your sins washed away (Romans 10:17; John 8:24; Acts 2:38; Romans 10:9-10; Acts 22:16). But after you become a Christian, you must be a good one.

Peter spoke about Jesus in his sermon to Cornelius' household. He said that Jesus "went about doing good" (Acts 10:38). Jesus did many good and marvelous things during His time on earth. One good thing He did was to obey His Father in heaven. "Though He was a Son, yet He learned obedience by the things which He suffered" (Hebrews 5:8). The next verse tells us that if we want eternal salvation, we must "obey Him." Philippians 2:8 tells us that Jesus was "obedient to the point of death." Verse 5 says, "Let this mind be in you which was also in Christ Jesus." We must be obedient to the point of death. Jesus said, "Be faithful unto death, and I will give you the crown of life" (Revelation 2:10). Paul was concerned that the Galatians, who had initially obeyed the Gospel, had come to the point of being deceived into ceasing their obedience (Galatians 3:1; 5:7).

Jesus did many good things in life. When it came to being a servant of God, He was a good one. John tells us, "He who says he abides in Him ought himself also to walk just as he walked" (1 John 2:6). That is, just as Christ walked. When it comes to being a servant of God, be a good one!

Don't do things in life that would bring shame on the name of Christ. Watch your language, control your thoughts, stifle your anger, quench any bitterness, and be kind. When it comes to being a Christian, be a good one!

WHEN JESUS MARVELED David Eldridge

To marvel is to be filled with wonder or astonishment. The Bible tells us of two times when Jesus marveled. Consider when the Son of God marveled...

In Capernaum (Matt. 8:5-10): Entering Capernaum, Jesus was approached by a centurion who pleaded with Him to heal his servant. Jesus told him, "I will come and heal him." The centurion said: "Lord, I am not worthy that You should come under my roof. But only speak a word, and my servant will be healed. For I also am a man under authority, having soldiers under me. And I say to this one, 'Go,' and he goes; and to another, 'Come,' and he comes; and to my servant, 'Do this,' and he does it." When Jesus heard this, "He marveled, and said... 'Assuredly, I say to you, I have not found such great faith, not even in Israel!" The centurion's words showed such great faith in the power and authority of Jesus. Our Lord marveled, being filled with astonishment at the great faith of this man.

In Nazareth (Mk. 6:1-6): When Jesus "came to His own country...He began to teach in the synagogue." Many who heard Him "were astonished, saying, 'Where did this Man get these things? And what wisdom is this which is given to Him, that such mighty works are performed by His hands! Is this not the carpenter, the Son of Mary, and brother of James,

Joses, Judas, and Simon? And are not His sisters here with us?" Thus, "they were offended at Him." The record tells us that Jesus "could do no mighty work there, except that He laid His hands on a few sick people and healed them. And He marveled because of their unbelief." Those in Nazareth heard Him speak and saw His mighty works, yet they did not believe. As a result, Jesus marveled at their unbelief.

If Jesus were walking the earth today, hearing the words you speak and seeing the life you lead, would He marvel at your "great faith" or "because of your unbelief"? -

DUTY LIST...

SUNDAY MORNING

- > Announcements.....Michael Pickford
- Scripture Reading...Jeff Isbell Reading: Proverbs 20:24-30
- > Song Leader.....Michael Pickford
- ➤ Opening Prayer......Kenny Todd
- ➤ Lord's Table:

Lead.....Michael Pickford Serve.....Rusty Barnes Serve.....John Nelson

Closing Prayer......Jason Hubbard

SUNDAY EVENING

- ➤ Song Leader.....Michael Pickford
- ➤ Lord's Table.....Michael Pickford

WEDNESDAY EVENING

- ➤ Song Leader.....Kenny Todd
- > Invitation.....Michael Pickford

Thank You For Serving!

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; 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!

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