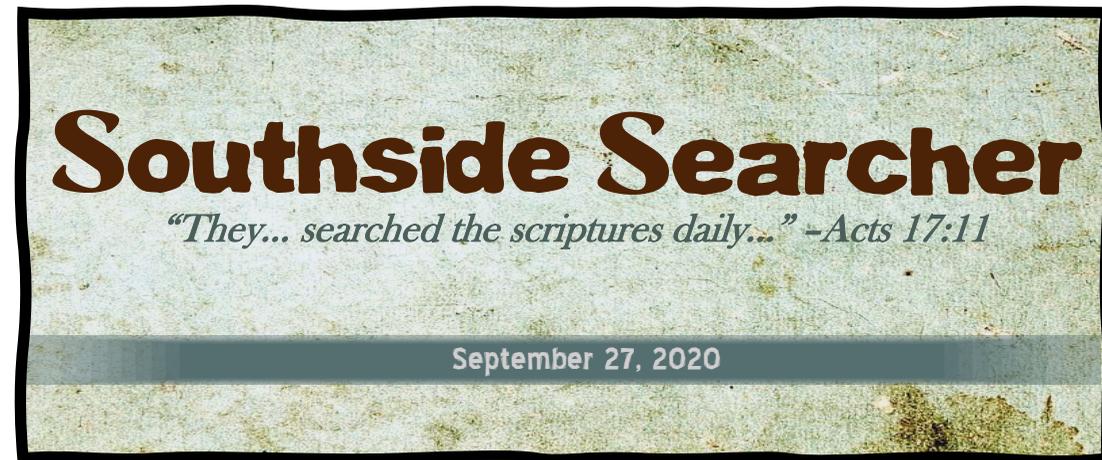


<p>DUTY LIST...</p> <p>SUNDAY MORNING</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> ➤ Announcements.....Michael Pickford ➤ Scripture Reading...Michael Pickford Reading: ➤ Song Leader..... ➤ Opening Prayer.....Kenny Johnson ➤ Lord's Table: <ul style="list-style-type: none"> Lead.....Michael Pickford Serve..... Serve..... ➤ Closing Prayer..... <p>SUNDAY EVENING</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> ➤ Song Leader.....Kenny Todd ➤ Lord's Supper.....Mike P. / Eli T. <p>WEDNESDAY EVENING</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> ➤ Song Leader..... ➤ Invitation..... 	<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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A New Language

LEARNING A NEW LANGUAGE can be difficult and challenging. When one seeks to become a citizen of a new country, he is often required to learn a new language. This takes a great deal of time, effort, and personal sacrifice, but the rewards are satisfying.

When we become children of God, we must learn a new language. Our everyday speech should have an entirely new ring to it. If we once used filthy language, “cuss” words, or partook in lewd jokes, this should all change!

“But now you yourselves are to put off all these: anger, wrath, malice, blasphemy, filthy language out of your mouth” (Colossians 3:8).

Perhaps we had a problem with lying when outside of Christ; this too should change. *“Therefore, putting away lying, let each one of you speak truth...” (Ephesians 4:25).*

Maybe we had a problem with backbiting, gossip, slander, or outbursts of wrath. Eliminate them. We are now citizens of heaven (Philippians 3:20), and we must learn the language—a language of sharing the gospel with the lost, a prayerful language, a worshipful language, an exhorting language, etc. Learning this new language can be challenging, but through Christ, we can do it!

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At Calvary

Luke 23:33 tells us Jesus was taken to Calvary to be crucified. “Calvary” translates *kranion* which means, “A Skull.” The site of the crucifixion, we’re told, looked like a skull. Regarding Jesus’ death, what do we see at Calvary?

We see a...

Villainous Crowd. A villain is a “cruelly malicious person who is involved in or devoted to wickedness or crime; scoundrel” –Dictionary.com. This is a good description of those who murdered the Lord Jesus on the cross. While they sought to portray Him as a criminal on the cross, they were the true malefactors. We have at least three records of Peter plainly telling his Jewish leaders that they had murdered the Prince of life (Acts 2:36; 3:15; 5:30). Acts 4:25-26, quoting the prophecy in Psalm 2:1-2, pictures the Nations working in unison to crucify the Lord. But the real reason Jesus went to the cross was for the sins of mankind, including yours and mine. That’s right; I am responsible for the Lord’s death. “*Christ was offered once to bear the sins of many*” (Hebrews 9:28). But God can turn villainy into victory for me, just as he did with Christ’s death, if I would obey the Lord (Hebrews 5:8-9).

Vicarious Crucifixion. This emphasizes the point we’ve just made. You may have heard preachers refer to the “Vicarious death” of Christ. The first time I heard it I had to get out my dictionary. The word “Vicarious” means, “performed, exercised, received, or suffered in place of another: vicarious punishment” – Dictionary.com. Why would Jesus die in our place? Because He loves us! God loves us! “*But God demonstrates His own love toward us, in that while we were still sinners, Christ died for us*” (Romans 5:8). If Christ died vicariously for me, then I must live vicariously for Christ. That is, I must die to self and let the Lord be exemplified in every aspect of my life. When people look at me, they should see the character of Jesus. Paul wrote, “*I have been crucified with Christ; it is no longer I who live, but Christ lives in me...*” (Galatians 2:20).

Victorious Christ. Apparent vanquishment, actual victory; this was the cross of Christ. In one cruel activity Jesus was both victim and victor. To the world, and to His own disciples for a time, it seemed that Jesus was defeated at the cross. But the cross was God’s eternal plan for man’s redemption (1 Peter 1:18-19). Through obedience, we too seem to the world as defeated, when in reality we are the winners.

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The Sound Of Silence

Someone once said, “The hardest thing to keep is quiet.”

Abraham Lincoln is credited with saying, “It is better to be silent and be considered a fool than to speak and remove all doubt.”

There are some things we must speak up about – The Gospel (Acts 8:4), the sins of others (Matthew 18:15-20), etc. But silence is often the best course regarding many things. Sadly, we often speak when we should remain silent, and we are often silent when we should be speaking.

We have two ears and one mouth, let us listen and learn.

“*Even a fool is counted wise when he holds his peace; when he shuts his lips, he is considered perceptive.*” –Prov. 17:28

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