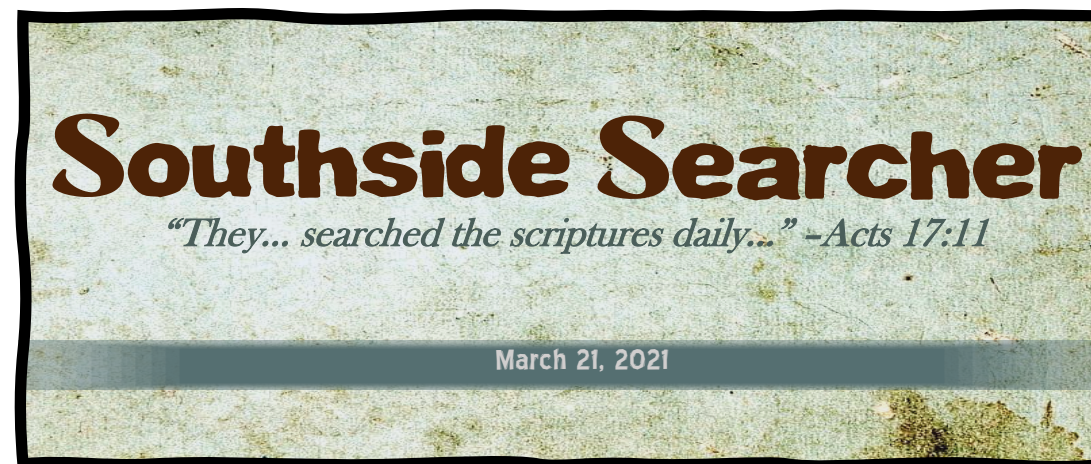


<p>DUTY LIST...</p> <p>SUNDAY MORNING</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> ➤ Announcements.....Michael Pickford ➤ Scripture Reading...Robert Johnson Reading: TBA ➤ Song Leader.....Kenny Todd ➤ Opening Prayer.....Kenny Johnson ➤ Lord's Table: Lead.....Michael Pickford Serve.....Eli Todd Serve..... ➤ Closing Prayer.....Eli Todd <p>SUNDAY EVENING</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> ➤ Song Leader.....Eli Todd ➤ Opening Prayer...Mike Pickford ➤ Invitation.....Michael Pickford ➤ 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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Getting Mail

FOLKS GET EXCITED ABOUT going to the mailbox. It's fun to get mail from a friend or loved one. Some even enjoy sorting through various pieces of junk mail. And think of the excitement that fills a young person's heart when they receive a "love" letter from that special someone.

We should get excited about reading the Bible—about going to that spiritual mailbox every day and reading God's love letter to all of us. The Bible speaks of how God demonstrated His love toward us by sending His Son to die for us (Romans 5:8). It is a love letter indeed! (John 3:16).

The Bible also directs us on how we should live our lives on this earth, and express our love to God (John 14:15, 21; 1 John 5:3). Furthermore, it pictures the great love of Christ as He returns to receive His faithful into the glories of heaven.

Folks look forward to checking their mailboxes on a daily basis. Don't view Bible reading and Bible study as a burden, view it as something to look forward to each day with excitement (Acts 17:11). Develop an attitude that says, "I just can't wait to open that spiritual mailbox and read God's letter."

Have you been to the mailbox today?

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Bible Memorials

Several holidays in the United States are designed to act as memorials. Scattered across the landscape of this country are statues and plaques acting as memorials to great heroes of the past and momentous moments. These memorials are intended to remind someone of some type of significant event in history, and to recall the lessons learned. The memorials in the Bible are no different. Consider these.

1) The Twelve Rocks Memorial. Upon crossing the Jordan River to possess the Promised Land, Joshua instructed a memorial of stones be erected, "That the waters of Jordan were cut off before the ark of the covenant of the LORD; when it passed over Jordan, the waters of Jordan were cut off: and these stones shall be for a memorial unto the children of Israel for ever" (Josh. 4:7). Any time children asked about these rocks, they were reminded of God's deliverance of the Promised Land.

2) The Passover Memorial. The last of the ten Memorial. The last of the Ten Plagues was the death of the first-born. Yet, God protected His people, and the Passover became a memorial, "And this day shall be unto you for a memorial; and ye shall keep it a feast to the LORD throughout your generations; ye shall keep it a feast by an ordinance for ever" (Exo. 12:14). It reminded God's people of His love.

3) The Rainbow Memorial. God had tired of the people on earth. Their thoughts were evil "continually" (Gen. 6:5). God devised a plan to eradicate the earth of the sinful people through a flood. He saved mankind through Noah and his family. Following the flood, God made a promise, "I do set my bow in the cloud, and it shall be for a token of a covenant between me and the earth" (Gen. 9:13). Every time we see a rainbow today, it is a memorial to us that God will never do such a thing with water again.

4) The Lord's Supper Memorial. Jesus endured a cruel, painful, and pitiless death. His blood "purchased the church" (Acts 20:28). His death made it possible that we might live. He deserves us remembering Him for what He did on the cross. Paul wrote "Take, eat: this is my body, which is broken for you: this do in remembrance of me" AND "This cup is the new testament church" (Acts 20:28). His death made it possible that we might live. Paul said it well, "in him we live, and move, and have our being" (Acts 17:28). He deserves us remembering Him for what He did on the cross. Paul wrote "Take, eat: this is my body, which is broken for you: this do in remembrance of me" and "This cup is the new testament in my blood: this do ye, as oft as ye drink it, in remembrance of me" (I Cor. 11:24-25). This is the greatest memorial of all time. It commemorates the single greatest act of love and devotion of all time. Paul penned, "But God commendeth his love toward us, in that, while we were yet sinners, Christ died for us" (Rom. 5:8). This is why we, every first day of the week, partake of the Lord's Supper (Acts 20:7).

Let us always be mindful of how God makes ways for us in difficult times, how He provides deliverance, how He keeps His promises and how immensely He loved us as manifested by the gift of His only Begotten Son!

-Larry R. Ping

Humility

"Therefore, as the elect of God, holy and beloved, put on tender mercies, kindness, humility, meekness, longsuffering;"

-Colossians 3:12

"Likewise you younger people, submit yourselves to your elders. Yes, all of you be submissive to one another, and be clothed with humility, for

*"God resists the proud,
But gives grace to the humble.""*

-1 Peter 5:5

"I, therefore, the prisoner of the Lord, beseech you to walk worthy of the calling with which you were called, with all lowliness and gentleness, with longsuffering, bearing with one another in love."

-Ephesians 4:1-2

"Let no one cheat you of your reward, taking delight in false humility and worship of angels, intruding into those things which he has not seen, vainly puffed up by his fleshly mind, and not holding fast to the Head, from whom all the body, nourished and knit together by joints and ligaments, grows with the increase that is from God."

-Colossians 2:18-19

"But He gives more grace. Therefore He says: 'God resists the proud, But gives grace to the humble.' ... Humble yourselves in the sight of the Lord, and He will lift you up."

-James 4:6, 10

*"Surely He scorns the scornful,
But gives grace to the humble."*

-Proverbs 3:34

*"By humility and the fear of the Lord
Are riches and honor and life."*

-Proverbs 22:4

"Therefore whoever humbles himself as this little child is the greatest in the kingdom of heaven."

-Matthew 18:4