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SUNDAY BIBLE STUDY.....10AM

WORSHIP.....11AM

SUNDAY EVENING.....

WEDNESDAY BIBLE STUDY...7PM

LAST WEEK'S RECORDS

ATTENDANCE, MORNING 8

ATTENDANCE, NIGHT

WEDNESDAY NIGHT 4

CONTRIBUTION \$539.00

WEDNESDAY NIGHT

CLASS TEACHERS

GOD'S PLAN FOR SAVING MAN

Divine Love John 3:16

God's Grace Ephesians 2:8

Christ's Blood Romans 5:9

Holy Spirit's Word Romans 1:16

Sinner's Faith Acts 16:31

Sinner's Repentance Luke 13:3

Sinner's Confession Romans 10:10

Sinner's Baptism Acts 22:16

Christian's Love Matthew 22:37

Christian's Work James 2:24

Christian's Hope Romans 8:24

Christian's Endurance Rev. 2:10

TODAY'S VERSE: Command them [the rich] to do good, to be rich in good deeds, and to be generous and willing to share.

— 1 Timothy 6:18

THOUGHTS: Generosity is such a wonderful thing — not just to those on the receiving end, but also to those who are on the giving end. Those of us who can read this devotional on a computer via e-mail are rich by the world's standards, so this passage on being generous with our blessings is especially applicable. Let this giving-time of the year be God's opportunity to reawaken in us the need to be generous with our time, energy, and monetary blessings year round.

MY PRAYER: O loving God, you have been so generous with me and blessed me with so many incredible blessings. Thank you! Stir in my heart an awareness of the joy of giving. Make my heart more like your own, generous and gracious. Break down the anxiety and miserliness that sometimes cloud my vision and keep me from sharing my time, money, energy, and love as I should. Thank you for showing me how to be generous in Jesus. I pray this in the name of Jesus, my Savior and Lord. Amen.

WHAT JESUS DID

The crowd watched [Jesus' crucifixion] and the leaders scoffed. "He saved others," they said, "let him save himself if he is really God's Messiah, the Chosen One." The soldiers mocked him, too, by offering him a drink of sour wine. They called out to him, "If you are the King of the Jews, save yourself!" A sign was fastened above him with these words: "This is the King of the Jews." One of the criminals hanging beside him scoffed, "So you're the Messiah, are you? Prove it by saving yourself — and us, too, while you're at it!"

— Luke 23:35-39 NLT

Isn't it amazing how the mocking crowd, the scoffing leaders, the cruel soldiers, and the sarcastic criminal on the cross nearby all call Jesus the right thing, but they say it in derision and don't put their faith in him? Yes, God can have even the devil himself confess the truth about Christ, but it takes a seeking heart to believe, follow, and be saved. The truth is there if your heart is seeking. Jesus is the one who saves, he is God's Chosen One, he is the Messiah, and he is King of the Jews. We know his identity, but the real questions are whether or not he is your Lord and mine!

PRAYER LIST

Judy still does not feel well. Bob had tests last week and is having a lung test. Scott Ross had eye surgery to repair his retina. He will be off work for several weeks. Peyton is dealing with stomach problems. Theresa's Aunt Dorothy will be in rehab until after Christmas following surgery on her finger. Lonny had two friends pass recently. Also, he is experiencing knee problems. Please pray for Lonny's mother Sharon and family. She has been moved closer to home.

CONTINUE TO PRAY FOR:

Tami Ross, Paul and Sandra Meine, Robert & Virginia McGaughey, Faye, who is taking chemo, Don Blackwell.

Riverside Church of Christ, Luling

Celebrate with us in December

Table with 2 columns: Name and Date. Includes Theresa East (14th), Dennis & Sharon Welch (17th), Rodney Blye (30th).

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PRAY FOR OUR MISSION EFFORTS

TIPTON HOME FOR CHILDREN DENNIS & SHARON WELCH IN CAMBODIA, INDIA MISSIONS, SPENCER ROSS AND WBI.

From India: It has been suggested by critics that the only reason folks in India are being baptized is to "accommodate" the foreign missionary. How can that be possible when no one is being paid for either leaving their denomination for the Truth, or for being baptized? How can that be possible when there are no American preachers anywhere near the overwhelming majority of these baptisms. I realized the way to reach many more people with the Truth was for us to emphasize teaching and converting denominational preachers. Ron Clayton

NEWS

Gospel Programs:

Sunday IN SEARCH OF THE LORD'S WAY, Ch 27, 7:30 am Thursday evening-- THE GOSPEL OF CHRIST, 6PM, Ch 262

WORSHIP LEADERS

Table with 2 columns: Role and Name. Includes Scripture Reading (Paul), Song Leader (Wayne), First Prayer (Paul), Lord's Supper (Bob and Lonny), Closing Prayer (Bill).

•"One of the most glorious messes in the world is the mess created in the living room on Christmas day..."

•Christmas is most truly Christmas when we celebrate it by giving the light of love to those who need it most...

QUOTEMEAL: "Morning is God's way of saying one more time, go make a difference, touch a heart, encourage a mind, inspire a soul and enjoy the day."

"I believe in God and the power of prayer. I believe God makes a way for me when there seems to be no way. I know our God is awesome and will always hold me up when I fall down. Today, I thank Him for His Grace."

DAILY WISDOM: Blessed is he whose help is the God of Jacob, whose hope is in the LORD his God, the Maker of heaven and earth, the sea, and everything in them—the LORD, who remains faithful forever.

— Psalm 146:5-6

A NEW LEAF, OR A NEW LIFE?

Nature forms us. Sin deforms us. Schools inform us. Prisons reform us. But only Christ transforms us.

The Bible says, "If anyone is in Christ, he is a new creation; old things have passed away; behold all things have become new" (II Corinthians 5:17).

A Christian is not just somebody who has become nice; he has become new. He doesn't just turn over a new leaf; he receives a new life. A Christian is not like a tadpole that has become a frog. A Christian is more like a frog who has received the kiss of grace and become a prince. We are changed radically and dramatically.