

HOPE FOR THE WORLD
 EPH. 2:12-17

WHERE? IN CHRIST
 ETERNAL LIFE - 2 TIM. 1:1-1 JO. 5:11
 ALL SPIRITUAL BLESSINGS - EPH. 1:3
 NEW CREATURES - 2 COR. 5:17

HOW? OBEY THE GOSPEL
 MT. 28:18-20: ROM. 6:1-5, 17, 18
 HEAR - MT. 17:5 BELIEVE - MK. 16:15, 16
 REPENT - ACTS 2:38-17:30 CONFESS - ACTS 8:37
 BE BAPTIZED - ACTS 2:38: GAL. 3:27

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

Welcome to our services and thank you for visiting. If you have any questions about our beliefs or practices, please don't hesitate to ask.

God has not only commanded us to worship Him, but has also told us how, in His word. **The elements of our services, as prescribed by God's word, are as follows:**

- **SINGING:** Ephesians 5:18,19; Colossians 3:16
- **PREACHING/TEACHING:** Acts 2:42; 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



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- Weekly Article: Rutherford Reader
- 3rd Sunday Singing Practice: 5 pm
- 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.

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

EVERYONE WELCOME!



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

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THE RICH YOUNG RULER

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We read in the Gospels a story of one we call the rich young ruler. Most folks are concerned about life after life, eternal life. We learn a great deal about this in the Lord's conversation with this one that Luke calls a "Ruler" (Luke 18:18). First, we see the...

Commandments. The ruler asked the Lord the greatest question one can ask, "What good thing shall I do that I may have eternal life?" This sounds a lot like the question the jailor asked at Philippi, "Sirs, what must I do to be saved?" (Acts 16:30), and the one asked by those at Pentecost, "Men and brethren, what shall we do?" (Acts 2:37). In every case, the answer boiled down to keeping God's commandments. The young ruler was to "Keep the commandments" (Matthew 19:17). He lived before the cross of Christ, so the Old Testament commandments are in view here (Hebrews 9:16-22), but the other two cases fall under Christ's law. Those in Acts two were commanded to repent and be baptized (Acts 2:38). The Jailor was also told to express an obedient belief through baptism (Acts 16:31-33). We can never earn our salvation, but if we want eternal life, we must obey the commandments of the Lord

(Hebrews 5:8-9; John 14:21).

Commitment. There is much to commend the rich young ruler. He had displayed a great deal of commitment to God. Unlike the Pharisees who tested Jesus with their questions, the ruler seemed honest in his enquiry, because when Jesus told him what he must do "he went away sorrowful" (Matthew 19:22). We also see commitment in that he had kept the commandments of the law from his youth, and Jesus did not refute this claim (Matthew 19:18-19). Today, being committed to the Lord actually requires following the New Testament rather than appealing to the Law of Moses for authoritative direction (2 John 9; Galatians 2:21). Those who appeal to the Old Testament to authorize their religious activities are displaying more commitment to an obsolete law than they are to the Lord (Hebrews 8:13; Colossians 3:17).

Conflict. The ruler's conflict is seen in Matthew 19:22. He did not choose to follow the Lord because he loved his riches. Some try to serve both the Lord and money but this impossible (Matthew 6:24). This conflict can be resolved only by remembering that our lives do not consist in the abundance of the things we possess (Luke 12:15). 🔍

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SAVE YOURSELF!

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“Save yourselves from this crooked generation”
- Acts 2:40 ESV

Some translations say, “Be saved,” but the the ESV agrees with the KJV and many other translations in saying “Save yourselves.”

But doesn't God save us? Emphatically, yes! God has done His part in providing the path for salvation. God sent His Son, Jesus (The Son) died on the cross, and the Holy Spirit revealed the soul saving message of the Gospel (John 3:16; Romans 5:6-9; 1 Corinthians 2:10; Romans 1:16). Jesus on the cross is the manifestation of God's grace.

However, Jesus' death on the cross didn't automatically save everyone from their sin down through the future. God has blessed us with free choice and it is up to us to choose to accept God's grace. To receive salvation we must “Obey” Christ (Hebrews 5:8-9). This is what Peter meant when he

told those at Pentecost to “Save yourselves from this crooked generation.” Two other passages are important to consider here. First, Paul wrote, “Work out your own salvation with fear and trembling” (Philippians 2:12). God has told us specifically what we must do to be saved, so this passage doesn't mean we make up our own plan of salvation (Mark 16:16). Rather, we are to choose to work hard in overcoming trials and temptations until the end to receive our eternal reward rather than forsaking the Lord (1 Peter 1:9; Revelation 2:10).

Timothy was instructed to take heed to himself and the doctrine, to continue in the truth and in so doing he would “Save both yourself and those who hear you.” So continued feeding from God's word and persistent obedience to it constitutes us saving ourselves. Not that we're earning our salvation, but that we will not receive it without faithfulness to the Lord. Are you lost? Save yourself! 🔍

SERMON NOTES

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

STUDY DAILY!
Acts 17:11

This Just In!

Introduction:

I. _____

II. _____

III. _____

DUTY LIST...

SUNDAY MORNING

- Announcements.....Michael Pickford
- Bible Reading by.....Ben Reagh
Reading: Psalm 31:1-5
- Song Leader.....Ben Green
- Opening Prayer.....Michael Pickford
- Lord's Table:
Lead.....Kenny Todd
Serve.....John Nelson
Serve.....Robert Johnson
- Closing Prayer.....Kenny Johnson

SUNDAY EVENING

- Song Leader.....Lynn Buttrey
- Lord's Table.....Kenny Todd

WEDNESDAY EVENING

- Song Leader.....Tony Jenkins
- Invitation.....Michael Pickford

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

Home Bible Studies Available Upon Request!

Obey Today!

THIS WEEK'S MESSAGE FOR OUTSIDE SIGN

(Thanks to anyone who can stay after services tonight and help change the sign.)

BOTH SIDES:

ARE YOU WASHED IN THE BLOOD?
REV. 1:5 / ACTS 22:16

MEN'S BUSINESS MEETING TONIGHT

