

THE ALL SEEING EYE

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The story is told about the little girl who, upon entering the cafeteria, saw a barrel of apples. Attached to the barrel was a note that said, "Only one please, God is watching." A bit later, she saw a barrel of cookies to which someone had attached a note that read, "Take all the cookies you want, God is watching the apples."

God's omnipresence is one of those things us humans just can't wrap our feeble minds around. We try to understand it in view of our limited ability to focus on just one thing at a time. Imagine trying to watch 7.5 billion biographies at once on as many TVs. Could you focus on each of them, following along and understanding the details of each? Certainly not. Yet God, with His "All seeing eye" knows exactly what all 7.5 billion people on earth are doing right now! Yes, He's watching each of us personally and simultaneously!

Don't ever think that God misses it when you do a good deed. Men may miss it, but we're seeking to please God, and He sees it. When tempted with sin, don't ever think that God isn't there watching. Men may miss it, But God is there, Personally, and we must act in such a way as to please Him.

Never forget, "*The eyes of the Lord are in every place, Keeping watch on the evil and the good.*" -Proverbs 15:3 🔍

The elements of our worship, 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

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

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- www.defendthegospel.com
 - 1st Sunday Singing Night: 6 pm
 - 5th Sunday Night: Guest Speaker
 - Men's Business Meeting. 1st Sunday evenings following services.



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

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Gospel Meeting & Singing

June 11-16

Preaching: Nick Greenman
Southside church of Christ

1167 S. Lowry Street, Smyrna, TN 37167

(Located on Murfreesboro Rd. Right next to the Nissan Fitness Center)

For Directions Call (615) 785-0646

Singing

Sat, June 10

7 pm

Everyone Welcome!

Gospel Meeting

June 11-16

Sunday: 9:00 & 10 am

Sunday: 6:00 pm

Monday – Friday: 7 pm

Bring A Bible! Bring A Friend!

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Daily Bible Study

by Michael Pickford

This Week's Theme: Becoming A Christian

Weekly Memory Verse: Acts 11:26

Introduction: Young children dream of becoming great things when they grow up. Some want to be firemen, some policemen, some doctors, etc. It is certainly healthy to teach our young children to aspire to great things. The greatest aspiration of everyone should be to become a Christian. Sadly, many never experience the urge to become children of God, and sadder still, most who do experience such an urge end up being taught the wrong way to do so. Salvation by faith alone is the most popular doctrine in the "Christian" religion even though the Bible specifically says that a man is not justified by "Faith only" (James 2:24). The Bible clearly teaches that one must "Obey" in order to obtain salvation (Hebrews 5:8-9) and avoid eternal punishment (2 Thessalonians 1:7-9). This week, let's investigate the Bible and consider what it says regarding what man must do in order to become a child of God.

Monday: The first step to becoming a Christian is to hear the Gospel.

1. Romans 10:17: How does faith come?
2. Mark 16:15; Matthew 28:18-19: Why do you suppose Jesus would tell His disciples to preach the Gospel to all nations, to every creature?
3. Romans 10:9-10: What two things must be done according to these verses?
4. Did the first converts (Acts 2) hear the Gospel? (Acts 2:14, 37).

Tuesday: After Hearing the gospel, one must believe that Jesus is God's Son.

1. John 8:24: What will happen to those who do not believe that Jesus is God's son?
2. Mark 16:16: There are two things stated in this verse that one must do in order to "be saved." What's the first thing?
3. Did the first converts (Acts 2) believe? (Acts 2:37).

Wednesday: After Hearing and Believing, one must repent of his sins.

1. Luke 13:3-5: What will happen to the one who does not repent?
2. Acts 17:30: What does God command all men to do?
3. Did the first converts (Acts 2) repent? (Acts 2:38).

Thursday: After Hearing, Believing, and Repenting, one must confess his faith.

1. Romans 10:9-10: What must one confess? What is confession made unto?
2. After the eunuch stated his desire to be baptized, What did Philip state that he must do first? How did the Eunuch respond? Was this a confession of faith?

Friday: After Hearing, Believing, Repenting, and confessing, one is still not a Christian until he is Baptized into Christ.

1. Mark 16:16: Jesus named two things that one must do in order to "Be saved." What are they? Was Jesus giving a multiple choice here, or did He say that both of these things must be done?
2. Isaiah 59:1-2; Acts 22:16; Acts 2:38: What separates man from God? Does it stand to reason that if one wants to be reunited with God (saved), he must remove that which separates? What is Saul told to do in order to wash away his sins? (Acts 22:16). What were those in Acts 2 told to do "for the remission of sins?"
3. 2 Timothy 2:10; Galatians 3:26-27: Where is salvation located? (2 Tim. 2:10). How does one get into Christ, put Him on? (Gal. 3:26-27). Can one get into Christ without baptism? Can one be saved unless he gets into Christ?
4. Acts 8:38-39; Acts 10:47-48: Is it water baptism that saved those mentioned in these two passages?
5. Colossians 2:12: Where these people sprinkled or were they immersed (buried)? Does sprinkling suffice when it comes to being baptized?
6. Note: Remaining faithful after becoming a Christian is essential to finally going to heaven (Revelation 2:10).

DUTY LIST...

SUNDAY MORNING

- Announcements.....Michael Pickford
- Scripture Reading...Tony Jenkins
Reading: Luke 19:28-35
- Song Leader.....Lynn Buttrey
- Opening Prayer.....Kenny Johnson
- Lord's Table:
Lead.....Kenny Todd
Serve.....Michael Pickford
Serve.....John Nelson
- Closing Prayer.....Eli Todd

SUNDAY EVENING

- Song Leader.....Tony Jenkins
- Lord's Table.....Tony Jenkins

WEDNESDAY EVENING

- Song Leader.....Lynn Buttrey
- 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.

- Hear The Gospel: Romans 10:17
- Believe: 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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