## DUTY LIST...

### **SUNDAY MORNING**

- > Announcements.....Michael Pickford
- Scripture Reading...Kenny Johnson Reading: Proverbs 14:1-8
- Song Leader.....Eli Todd
- ➤ Opening Prayer......Jeff Isbell
- ➤ Lord's Table:
  - Lead.....Michael Pickford Serve......Robert Johnson
- Closing Prayer......Lynn Buttrey

## **SUNDAY EVENING**

- > Song Leader.... Kenny Johnson
- Opening Prayer...Michael Pickford
- Invitation: N/A
- Lord's Table: Kenny Johnson
- Closing Prayer: Kenny Todd

## **WEDNESDAY EVENING**

- Song Leader...Eli Todd
- Invitation: Kenny Todd

## **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.

- ➤ <u>Hear the Gospel</u>: Romans 10:17
- ➤ <u>Believe</u>: Mark 16:16; John 8:24
- Repent of Sin: Acts 2:38; Acts 17:30

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- Confess Faith: Romans 10:9, 10
- ➤ <u>Be Baptized</u>: Mark 16:16; Acts 2:38; Acts 22:16; 1 Peter 3:21
- Remain Faithful: Rev. 2:10

Obey Today!

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# Their Glory Is In Their Shame

Paul was writing about "the enemies of the cross of Christ" when he wrote, "whose end is destruction, whose god is their belly, and whose glory is in their shame—who set their mind on earthly things" (Philippians 3:18-19).

The base practice of homosexuality is now glorified in our society. It wasn't that long ago when homosexuals in our nation kept it to themselves. They would be embarrassed; they would be ashamed if anyone knew about what they were doing. But instead of repenting of their sin, they have been deceived by the lie of the devil that they should rather be proud of what, and who they are. That they should "come out of the closet" and flaunt their sexual perversion as something to be celebrated.

It is out of sincere love for the homosexual's soul that I say, please repent! They must put this practice behind them before it is eternally too late because God said they cannot inherit the kingdom of heaven (1 Corinthians 6:9-11). They must, like those at Corinth, repent of their sinful and shameful behavior (and it is sinful and shameful – Romans 1:26-27), obey the gospel, and be purified, sanctified, and justified.

"Likewise also the men, leaving the natural use of the woman, burned in their lust for one another, men with men committing what is shameful..." (Romans 1:27). This verse says homosexuality is "shameful." I implore you, don't glory in your shame, repent of it so your eternal soul may be saved.

We would love to have you visit with us. Our meeting times are:

SUNDAYS: 9 & 10 AM & 6 PM / WEDNESDAYS: 7 PM

We have capable Bible teachers who would be delighted to study with you at your request and convenience.

Our evangelist, Michael Pickford is the editor of this publication.

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# Christian, You Could Lose Your Soul!

Many believe and teach Calvin's version of the security of the believer—that it is impossible for a saved person to so sin as to lose their salvation. However, the Bible clearly teaches that one can ultimately lose their soul after becoming a child of God. Let's investigate further.

You can lose your soul by denying Christ (Revelation 2:10). These saints were about to suffer indescribable persecution. The only escape would be to deny Christ. Jesus admonished them not to do it!

You can lose your soul by returning to the Old Law. Paul wrote, "You have become estranged from Christ, you who attempt to be justified by law; you have fallen from grace" (Galatians 5:4).

You can lose your soul by loving money. Some neglect spiritual responsibilities or involve themselves in sinful things because of their love and quest for more money. The Bible says, "they have strayed from the faith" (1 Timothy 6:10).

You can lose your soul by accepting religious error. Such was the case with Hymenaeus and Alexander (1 Timothy 1:18-20; 2 Timothy 2:17-18). Paul said their faith had suffered shipwreck, and that he had delivered them to Satan.

You can lose your soul by not supplying for your family. Those who refuse to render physical care for their own family are said to have "denied the faith." And they are "worse than an unbeliever" (1 Timothy 5:8). That's about as lost as one can get! And this is talking about believers.

You can lose your soul by being deceived by sin. The world does its best to normalize and even glorify sinful behavior. Sadly, many Christians are deceived and get caught up in these "crusades." "Brethren" (Christians) were warned against developing an evil heart and "departing from the living God" (Hebrews 3:12). Yes, it's possible to depart from the living God!

Please read and study to following passages for more evidence of the fact that Christians can ultimately lose their soul. 2 Peter 2:20-22; James 5:19-20; Acts 8:13-22; Luke 9:62; Hebrews 2:1-2; Hebrews 6:4-6; Hebrews 10:24-27

To receive our crown of righteousness, we must fight the good fight, we must finish the race, and we must keep the faith! (2 Timothy 4:6-8).

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## **Trust In The Lord**

"Blessed is the man who trusts in the LORD, whose trust is the LORD."

- Jeremiah 17:7

Everyday we make multiple decisions. Our choices are based either upon what we want, or upon what God wants. What we (or other men) say, or upon what God says.

Too many are trusting in self - looking to their own whims with regards to salvation, worship, marriage, parenting, right and wrong, etc. If it seems reasonable or if it feels good in the moment, some just go with it no matter what.

Wisdom would have us consider God and His will in all things. The happy individual consults the Scriptures for guidance in life. The truly blessed are those men and women who trust in the Lord!

-David McPherson

BE STRONG IN THE

Lord

and in the Power of HIS Might.

- Ephesians 6:10