DUTY LIST...

SUNDAY MORNING

- > Announcements.....Michael Pickford
- Scripture Reading...Kenny Todd Reading: TBA
- > Song Leader.....Robert Johnson
- > Opening Prayer......Lynn Buttrey

- ➤ Lord's Table:
 - Lead.....Kenny Johnson Serve.....Michael Pickford
- Closing Prayer......Eli Todd

SUNDAY EVENING

- Song Leader.... Kenny Todd
- Opening Prayer...Jeff Isbell
- Invitation: N/A
- Lord's Table: Kenny Todd
- Closing Prayer: Kenny Johnson

WEDNESDAY EVENING

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

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

Obey Today!

We would welcome a visit from you. Our meeting times are:

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

Capable Bible teachers would be delighted to study with you at your request and convenience.

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Sold For Destruction

OLD, DILAPIDATED houses and public buildings are often sold and bought for destruction and replaced with new structures. Sometimes, people sell themselves for destruction. We've all heard phrases like "he sold his soul

to the devil." Achan sold himself for a few shekels of

silver and a wedge

of gold, Ahab for a vineyard, Gehazi for two talents of silver and a couple of new outfits, Ananias and Sapphira for an undisclosed amount, and Judas for a bag of silver. (Joshua 7:21; 1 Kings 21; 2 Kings 5:20-27; Acts 5:1-10; Matthew 26:14-16). A little silver? A little gold? A little pleasure? A Little fame? What's your price? Are you for sale? -

Memory Verse

"Beloved, while I was very diligent to write to you concerning our common salvation, I found it necessary to write to you exhorting you to contend earnestly for the faith which was once for all delivered to the saints."

—Jude 1:3

Ya'll Pray For Me

As a father was dragging his unruly child down the aisle toward the back exit, the child, knowing what was coming, uttered to the assembly, "Ya'll pray for me." From the mouth of babes we learn the trust we should have in intercessory prayer. Praying for others is a necessary element of our prayers (1 Timothy 2:1). Don't be embarrassed to ask folks to pray for you. -

Prayer

Consider three key truths regarding prayer...

HOLY HANDS. Paul expressed the need for men to lift up "Holy hands" when praying (1 Timothy 2:8). God is concerned here with purity, not posture. The character of the man praying is highlighted. A holy and righteous life empowers our prayers, making them efficacious. James and Peter agreed, "The effective, fervent prayer of a righteous man avails much" (James 5:16). "For the eyes of the Lord are on the righteous, and His ears are open to their prayers" (1 Peter 3:12).

HAUGHTY HEADSEAT. "Headset" speaks of attitude. A haughty disposition renders prayer fruitless—vain. The Pharisee prayed to boast of his own accomplishments and was not justified (Luke 18:9-12). A haughty headset is also demonstrated by one who views God as his own personal Santa Claus. There are four possible answers to prayer – Yes, no, wait, and you've got to be kidding. James 4:3 addresses the latter, "You ask and do not receive, because you ask amiss, that you may spend it on your pleasures." A haughty headset also seeks praise from others. Such is the heart of the hypocrite. The only reward they'll receive is that which they seek—praise from others. God rejects this type of prayer (Matthew 6:5).

HUMBLE HEART. It's not haughtiness, but humility that gets God's attention. Hezekiah prayed with tears and his life was extended (2 Kings 20:1-6). The tax collector approached God humbly and went down "Justified" (Luke 18:13-14). When you go to God in prayer, "Humble yourselves in the sight of the Lord, and He will lift you up" (James 4:10). –

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Quotes To Ponder

"Even a fool is counted wise when he holds his peace; when he shuts his lips, he is considered perceptive."

-Proverbs 17:28

"Nothing is often the best thing to say"

"It's better to be silent and thought a fool than to speak and remove all doubt"

Those who achieve fame by doing something admiral are called "famous." Those who achieve fame by doing something heinous are called "infamous." Sin is always heinous, and unfortunately, even good men stumble and are remembered for a particular sin. Below, match the person with the infamous sin he/she committed.

1. Peter	a.	Stole a man's wife and had him murdered, 2 Samuel 12:9
2. Diotrephes	b.	Lied about his wife, Genesis 12:18-19
3. Saul (Paul)	c.	Persecuted Christians, Acts 9:1
4. Cain	d.	Ate forbidden fruit, Genesis 3:6
5. Ananias	e.	Denied Jesus, Matthew 26:69-75
6. David	f.	Murdered his brother, Genesis 4:8
7. Noah	g.	Was hungry for power, 3 John 9-10
8. Abram (Abraham)	h.	Lied to the Holy Spirit, Acts 5:3

i. Got drunk, Genesis 9:20-21

9. Adam & Eve