

# THE COLDWATER CONTENDER

*"...ye should earnestly contend for the faith..." (Jude 3)*  
**February 28, 2016**

## **Coldwater church of Christ**

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### **ELDERS**

Richard Price  
Kevin Smith  
Bill Vincent

### **DEACONS**

Johnny Downs  
Josh Fulcher  
Josh Price  
Wesley Tucker

### **PREACHER**

Luke Puckett

### **SUNDAY SERVICE**

Bible Class: 9:30  
AM Worship: 10:15  
PM Worship: 1:00

### **WEDNESDAY**

Bible Class: 7:00pm

### **LADIES CLASS**

Tuesday 10:00am



## **A Message To Our Visitors**

It is our privilege to have you visiting with us today. Please know that you are our honored guest. Please let us get to know you, and fill out an attendance card so we can have record of you being here. Please return to be with us again at your earliest opportunity. If you have questions or would like to study the Bible with us, please let us know. Thanks again for visiting with us, and may God continue to bless you according to His divine purpose.

## **THOSE TO SERVE**

### **Announcements:**

Richard Price

### **Lead Singing:**

Kevin Smith

### **Opening Prayer:**

Wesley Tucker

### **Scripture Reading:**

David Dodd

### **Lord's Table**

Josh Fulcher  
Chris Smith  
Andy Johnson  
Kyle Hobbs

### **Closing Prayer:**

Ron Hutchison

### **Greeters (East)**

Amber and boys

### **Greeters (West)**

Nathia and Ashlee

### **LESSONS**

**AM:** Coming Home

**Scripture reading:**

Luke 15:1-10

**PM:** The Possibility and  
Plan for Unity

**Scripture reading:**

John 17:20-23

# MY WILL OR “HIS” WILL?

*By: Jonnie Hutchison*

Every human being possesses what the Bible calls the “heart.” This is not the fleshly organ that pumps blood throughout the body. The Bible heart consists of the intellect which thinks (Proverbs 23:7), understands (Proverbs 8:5) and believes (Romans 10:10). The Bible heart also consists of the emotions which desire (Romans 10:1), love (Matthew 22:37) and trust (Proverbs 3:5). The third part of the Bible heart which every human being possesses is the will. The will of man is that part of him which makes decisions. It is with the will that man intends (Hebrews 4:12), purposes (2 Corinthians 9:7) and obeys (Romans 6:17).

God also has a will. His will is revealed in written form in the Bible. His will for man is His spiritual law which consists today of the New Testament of Jesus Christ. Every human being born since the death of Jesus on the cross has been and is subject to the will of God in the New Testament. The Bible makes it abundantly clear that only those who do the will of God will be saved eternally. Jesus, the divine Son of God, declared, “Not everyone who says to Me, ‘Lord, Lord,’ shall enter the kingdom of heaven, **but he who does the will of My Father in heaven.**” Matthew 7:21 (NKJV). Obviously, before one can do the will of God he must first know what God’s will requires of him. Through diligent study one may come to know with certainty what the will of the Lord is and, thus, what God requires of him/ her (John 8:32; 17:17; 2 Timothy 3:16-17). For example, the question of what one must do to be saved is clearly revealed in the New Testament. The Bible teaches the necessity of hearing the gospel which is the source of faith (Romans 10:17). When one has heard he then must believe that Jesus Christ is the Son of God (John 8:24; Acts 18:8). These

first two steps to salvation appeal to the intellect as well as the emotions. The third step is repentance which has been defined as a change of mind which results in a change of direction in life. Repentance is an act of the will for it requires a change of one’s mind. In repentance one purposes to do the will of God and turn away from sin (Acts 2:37-38, 41). When one has repented of sin then he may obey the Lord’s command to verbally confess faith in Jesus Christ (Romans 10:9-10; Acts 8:37). This is an act of emotion for it expresses one’s trust in and love for the Son of God. Finally, baptism is that act which puts one in contact with the blood of Christ whereby one’s sins are washed away (Acts 2:38, 22:16; Rev. 1:5; Romans 6:3ff). Obviously, the whole of man’s Bible heart is involved in obtaining the salvation that is in Christ Jesus (2 Tim. 2:10). When one comes to the necessary knowledge in recognizing that he or she is lost in sin and what to do about it—it then becomes a question of wills. Am I going to do my will or “His will”? Let each of us submit our will to His will. Those who do so will enter into life and enjoy the bliss of heaven for eternity. “God resists the proud but give grace to the humble” “Humble yourselves in the sight of the Lord, and He will lift you up.” (Jms. 4:6, 10).

—Via Green Plain Proclaimer

## Birthdays & Anniversaries

### Announcements

- ⇒ **Reading plan:** Luke
- ⇒ **Team:** Team 4 meets today
- ⇒ **Area events:** Please see bulletin board for more info. Several meetings, singings, and Bible schools are coming up in our area.
- ⇒ **New Personal invitation handouts** are available . Please make sure to take some and handout or leave with a tip, and invite someone to our service!
- ⇒ **Monthly Men's Class:** March 01 at 6:30pm here at the building.
- ⇒ **Gospel Meeting:** April 10-13 with Alan Adams. Make plans to be here this week.
- ⇒ **Pantry item** for this week is: Pinto Beans

### Prayer/Sick List

- ⇒ Hazel Brandon
- ⇒ Mae Downs
- ⇒ Johnny Downs
- ⇒ Hyland Darnell
- ⇒ Norma Darnell (Has found out she has Parkinson's disease)
- ⇒ Virgil Hale (In Spring Creek)
- ⇒ Jonnie Hutchison (Amber's father is having eye trouble)
- ⇒ Debbie Smith (Kevin's sister-in-law-cancer)
- ⇒ Greg Black (Kathy Black's son)
- ⇒ Larry Pea (Cousin of Judy Black, has cancer)
- ⇒ Loretta Haley (cancer)
- ⇒ David Edwards (Josh Fulcher's uncle-cancer)
- ⇒ Billy Irvan
- ⇒ Debbie Edwards (Josh Fulcher's)
- ⇒ Trudy Smith
- ⇒ Mallory Harrison (cancer)
- ⇒ Wanda Riley (Josh Fulcher's Aunt)
- ⇒ James McAbee
- ⇒ Dorothy McNeely (Richard Adams' sister, has cancer)
- ⇒ Derek Adams (Richard Adams' grandson, has leukemia)
- ⇒ Richard & Rachel Guill (Rachel was placed in a nursing home)
- ⇒ Lashell Jones
- ⇒ Michael Inman (Tonya Jones' stepdad)
- ⇒ Maria's sister-continuing to recover from heart surgery.
- ⇒ Lucetria Hutchison (Ronnie's mother)
- ⇒ Jay Kolb (Friend of Bill and Maria has brain tumor)
- ⇒ Caleb Teasly (Kevin's cousin's son, 4 years old)
- ⇒ Bob Austin (having test ran for issues with his lungs)
- ⇒ Paula Fulcher (Back surgery)
- ⇒ Continue to remember all those who have lost loved ones this year

## WHAT MUST I DO TO BE SAVED?

Hear the Word  
*(Rom 10:17)*

Believe the Word  
*(John 8:24)*

Repent  
*(Luke 13:3)*

Confess Christ  
*(Rom 10:10)*  
*(Acts 8:37)*

Be Baptized  
*(Acts 2:38)*  
*(Acts 22:16)*

Remain Faithful  
*(Rev 2:10)*  
*(Acts 8:12-24)*

Heaven can be your  
home if you obey God!  
*(Heb 5:8-9)*

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You will find bulletins,  
sermon outlines, and  
other helpful links and  
material.



## MEMORY VERSE FOR THE WEEK

Luke 15:7 I say to you that likewise there will be more joy in heaven over one sinner who repents than over ninety-nine just persons who need no repentance.

## GREEK WORD OF THE WEEK

**Word:** metanoēō (μετανοέω)

**Pronounced:** met-an-o-eh'-o

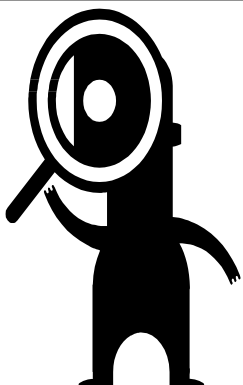
**Translated** into the word we use today: **Repent**

**Meaning:** according to Strong is: From G3326 and G3539; to think differently or afterwards, that is, reconsider (morally to feel compunction): - repent. Thayer adds 1) to change one's mind, i.e. to repent. 2) to change one's mind for better, heartily to amend with abhorrence of one's past sins

**Supporting verse:** Act 8:22 Repent therefore of this your wickedness, and pray God if perhaps the thought of your heart may be forgiven you.

## THOUGHT OF THE WEEK

Repentance is a change in one's mind that leads to a change in one's life. In the Bible we read about repenting. There are two ways in which one can and needs to repent, but both involve changing your sinful life and turning it into a faithful one. First, if a person has never obeyed the gospel of Christ, they need to repent. If a person knows about Christ and believes Him to be the Son of God, then that person must change. See, prior to this, they were living a life not in obedience to Christ. They now have to change that. They must repent of their past ways and start living for Him. Christ says in Luke 13:3, "I tell you no; but unless you repent you will all like wise perish. We must repent then go on and obey God to become one of His children. Second, a person can repent if they are already a child of God and they go back into sin. If this happens, and it will, then we must, as erring children, acknowledge our sins and turn from them. We have an example of this in Acts 8. Simon had sinned and was told that he would perish if he didn't repent and ask God for forgiveness. Simon then repented. He knew he did wrong and turned from that wrong, then he asked Peter to pray for him. We, as erring Christians, must repent of our wrong and pray to God, asking Him to forgive us, and He will.



**Bible question:** Who built the first altar?

**Last week's question and answer:** What prophet confronted David about his adultery?

**Answer:** Nathan (2Sam 12)

**Those answering:** Kay Robertson, Linda Jones, Helen Tidwell, Rachel Adams, Johnny and Mae Downs