

THE COLDWATER CONTENDER

"...ye should earnestly contend for the faith..."(Jude 3)

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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:

Bill Vincent

Lead Singing:

Josh Price

Opening Prayer:

Andy Johnson

Scripture Reading:

Nathia Whitley

Lord's Table

Johnny Downs
Richard Price
Luke Puckett
Wesley Tucker

Closing Prayer:

Chris Smith

Greeters (East)

Debbie and Vicki

Greeters (West)

Andy and Maddie

LESSONS

AM: Study

Scripture reading:

2Timothy 2:11-16

PM: False Brethren

Scripture reading:

Ephesians 5:6-12

WHY SHOULD I ATTEND BIBLE SCHOOL?

By: Dub McClish

Every Sunday morning and Wednesday evening the congregation conducts Bible classes. Dedicated teachers prepare for their teaching duties each week. Lamentably, some do not take advantage of these learning opportunities. From time-to-time, some are prevented from attending by illness or other factors beyond their control. These are not the ones who cause us concern, but those who can come, but choose not to come, are. Many children are prevented from attending their Bible class because their parents fail to come and bring them. Babes in Christ may not have yet perceived the need to attend. Some are slaves of habitual absenteeism into which they fell years ago. Some have “more important” things to do. Others are just too lazy to get up in time. Still others just do not care. The common thread of such negligence is lack of love for the Christ Who died for them. Love for the Lord equals obedience to Him (John 14:15). Please consider the following reasons why one should faithfully attend his or her Bible class each week:

1. The devil is always seeking to devour us through temptation and false teaching (1 Pet. 5:8; Col. 2:8). Bible classes will help you resist him with “It is written” (Mat. 4:4ff).
2. Jesus requires us to seek God’s kingdom before everything else (Mat. 6:33). Our Bible classes are a work of the kingdom, designed to build up the kingdom. Can one seek the kingdom first and despise these opportunities for learning, edification, and fellowship?

3. Those who “hunger and thirst after righteousness” shall be filled (Mat. 5:6). Those who crave more spiritual nourishment will be in their Bible classes each week, if they are able to be. 2

4. The Lord requires every disciple to bear fruit for Him or be cut off (John 5:2ff). Bible classes will help one have the knowledge and zeal to bear more spiritual fruit.

5. God wants us to “grow in the grace and knowledge” of the Lord (2 Pet. 3:18). We cannot grow in His grace without continuing to grow in our knowledge of His Word. Bible classes will help you do this.

6. Our Bible classes are either a good or an evil work. I suppose that even those who fail to attend would not call them an “evil work.” God commands His people to be “zealous of good works” (Tit. 2:14). How can one be zealous of a good work while choosing not to participate in it?

One’s attitude toward the Lord’s Word is a reliable indicator of his attitude toward Christ Himself—to reject one is to reject the other (John 12:48). May all of us think soberly on these truths and attend our Bible classes consistently.

Birthdays & Anniversaries

- ⇒ Rhonda Tracy (13th)
- ⇒ Maddie Johnson (16th)

Announcements

- ⇒ **Reading plan:** 2Kings
- ⇒ **Team workgroup:** Team 2 (**Johnny Downs**) meets today
- ⇒ **Team workgroups:** To find out which team you are on, see the bulletin board.
- ⇒ **Area events:** Please see bulletin board for more info. Several meetings, singings, and Bible schools are coming up in our area.
- ⇒ **Personal invitation handouts** are available . Please make sure to take some and handout or leave with a tip, and invite someone to services.
- ⇒ **Monthly Men's Class:** April 4th at 6:30pm
- ⇒ **Gospel Meeting:** March 17-19 with Eric Lyons
- ⇒ **Pantry item** for this week is: Tuna Fish
- ⇒ **Sick:** If you know someone who is sick, please get this information to your team leader or Luke.

Prayer/Sick List

- ⇒ Hazel Brandon (Continuing to have rehab)
- ⇒ Mae Downs
- ⇒ Helen Tidwell
- ⇒ Hyland Darnell
- ⇒ Norma Darnell
- ⇒ Richard Jones (Having tests run)
- ⇒ Ron Hutchison (Having test run)
- ⇒ Kim Scott (continuing treatments)
- ⇒ Paul Brandon (Hazel's brother in-law)
- ⇒ Debbie Smith (Kevin's sister-in-law-cancer)
- ⇒ Greg Black (Kathy Black's son)
- ⇒ Billy Irvan
- ⇒ Trudy Smith
- ⇒ Lashell Jones
- ⇒ 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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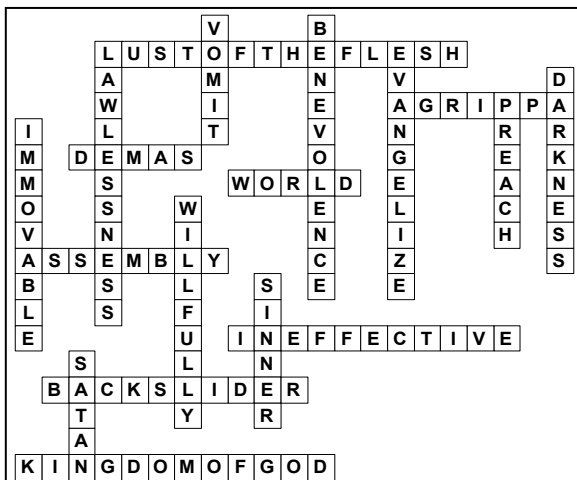


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Bible question: Who did God address from a whirlwind?

Last week's question and answer: What prophet confronted David about his adulterous affair?

Answer: Nathan (2Samuel 12:1-15)

Those answering: Kay Robertson, Linda Jones, Peggy Newsome, Rachel Adams, Nathia and Ashlee Whitley