

THE COLDWATER CONTENDER

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

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SUNDAY SERVICE

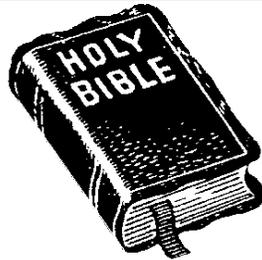
Bible Class: 9:30
AM Worship: 10:15
PM Worship: 1:00

WEDNESDAY

Bible Class: 7:00pm

Ladies Bible Class

Tuesdays: 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:

Kevin Smith

Lead Singing:

Bradley Smith

Opening Prayer:

Ron Hutchison

Scripture Reading:

Mitchell Smith

Lord's Table

Nathia Whitley
Bill Vincent
Richard Jones
Chris Smith

Closing Prayer:

Gerald Rule

Greeters (East)

Bill and Maria

Greeters (West)

Johnny and Mae

LESSONS

AM: What Is A Home?

Scripture reading:
Genesis 2:18-24

PM: I Am Ready to
Preach

Scripture reading:
Romans 1:13-17

PEACE *By: Kevin Cauley*

Galatians 5:22-23 “But the fruit of the spirit is love, joy, peace, longsuffering, gentleness, goodness, faith, meekness, temperance: against such there is no law.” Peace is a word that depends upon a relationship. A rock is at peace until someone picks it up and throws it. We often speak of the dead being at “peace,” because their bodies are no longer racked with the pain of physical suffering. We speak of a peaceful society being one where we and our neighbors agree to abide by the rule of law. Those who are stopped from operating outside of that law are often said to be pacified. We also speak of peace in relationship to our own thoughts, emotions, and conscience—inner peace, it is called. Most importantly, there is peace with God and all that entails. In the context of Galatians 5:22-23, the apostle Paul is comparing and contrasting the works of the flesh with the fruit of the spirit. Fleshly works are, by definition, carnal. They originate in and come out of physical/carnal desires. The root of all fleshly works is selfishness—the fundamental desire for carnally-minded self preservation and illicit self love (2 Timothy 3:2). When this desire is not kept under control by the spirit, it breaks out into the variety of sins that Paul discusses as the works of the flesh. All of the works of the flesh oppose peace because they destroy relationships with God and our fellow man. Peace is a fruit of the spirit because the desire for peace does not originate within the flesh, but rather within the realm of spiritual things. If we look at the animal world around us, we do not find peace, but rather a constant struggle for survival. This same struggle would swallow us up were it not for a God-informed spirit’s desire against it. God commanded the Israelites to offer peace offerings to show that peace does not come without sacrifice. True peace demands that we sacrifice something. Paul is calling Christians to sacrifice the flesh, die to self, and live for Christ (Galatians 2:20). In so doing, we may have true peace both with God and with our neighbor. Peace begins with God’s informing us that there is a problem between us and Him, and

that we are not at peace (Isaiah 59:1-2). God then informs us that He has provided a plan whereby we may be at peace with Him through His Son’s intermediary sacrifice (Romans 5:8). Because Jesus died on the cross for man’s sins, God has given Him all authority to pronounce forgiveness of sins (Matthew 28:18- 20), and Christ has determined that those who this message and obey it will be forgiven (Luke 24:47). In brief, when we hear the gospel, believe it, repent of our sins, confess Jesus as the Christ, and are baptized for the forgiveness of sins, we are reconciled to God through Christ and gain peace with Him and with one another (Ephesians 2:13-19). It is then our prerogative to pursue peace (1 Peter 3:11). Pursuing peace is not an easy process. The fact that we must pursue it implies that there are existing enmities. Others are at enmity with God, at enmity with one another, and at enmity with self. The Christian’s responsibility in pursuing peace is to aid with each of these circumstances and situations. We must first be at peace with God, then we may have peace with our fellow man based upon God’s standards of right and wrong; subsequently, we will have peace with self. This is what Paul describes in Philippians 4:7 when he says, “And the peace of God, which passeth all understanding, shall keep your hearts and minds through Christ Jesus.” Peace is worth pursuing and fighting for, but we must pursue it and fight for it in a godly way. Employing the works of the flesh in an effort to attain peace (as many seek to do today through ungodly practices and lifestyles) will not result in peace. True peace only comes through personal selfsacrifice, obedience to God, and in fulfilling man’s purpose of loving both God and our neighbor (Matthew 22:37-40). Let us seek to employ the spirits that God gave us to exercise peace and so conquer the flesh!

—Scripture & Thought
[https:// kevincauley.wordpress.com/2013/12/26/peace/ #more-47](https://kevincauley.wordpress.com/2013/12/26/peace/#more-47)

Birthdays & Anniversaries

- ⇒ Daniel Puckett (14th)
- ⇒ Chris and Theresa Smith (14th)

Announcements

- ⇒ **Reading plan:** Jonah and Micah
- ⇒ **Team:** Team 2 meets today!
- ⇒ **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 our service!
- ⇒ **Homecoming:** May 24 with Jonnie Hutchison. A potluck will follow the morning service.
- ⇒ **Workday:** Is scheduled for May 30.
- ⇒ **VBS:** June 13 (Please have ideas or anything you need made for VBS presented by workday on May 30)
- ⇒ **Pantry item** for this week is: **McDonald's gift card** (\$5 or more, please give to someone on team 1 to secure)

Prayer/Sick List

- ⇒ Clemmie Black (At Spring Creek room # 420 B in station 4. Phone number is 270-761-3655.)
- ⇒ Ray Stembridge—Sick with an ear infection
- ⇒ Ima Barnes
- ⇒ Tonya Jones
- ⇒ Hazel Brandon
- ⇒ Mae Downs (Received great news from the doctors :)
- ⇒ Johnny Downs
- ⇒ Hyland Darnell
- ⇒ Norma Darnell (Has found out she has Parkinson's disease)
- ⇒ Debbie Smith (Kevin's sister-in-law-cancer)
- ⇒ Greg Black (Kathy Black's son)
- ⇒ Loretta Haley (cancer)
- ⇒ David Edwards (Josh Fulcher's uncle-cancer)
- ⇒ Billy Irvan
- ⇒ Jana Ward (cancer)
- ⇒ Todd Walker
- ⇒ Trudy Smith
- ⇒ Wanda Riley (Josh Fulcher's Aunt)
- ⇒ James McAbee
- ⇒ Dorothy McNeely (Richard Adams' sister, has cancer)
- ⇒ Derek Adams (Richard Adams' grandson, has leukemia)
- ⇒ Mallory Harrison Berry (friend of Stembridges, has brain cancer)
- ⇒ Richard & Rachel Guill
- ⇒ Lashell Jones
- ⇒ Michael Inman (Tonya Jones' stepdad)
- ⇒ 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)

Please visit our website at
www.coldwatercoc.org.
You will find bulletins,
sermon outlines, and
other helpful links and
material.



MEMORY VERSE FOR THE WEEK

Jonah 1:16-17 Then the men feared the LORD exceedingly, and offered a sacrifice to the LORD and took vows. (17) Now the LORD had prepared a great fish to swallow Jonah. And Jonah was in the belly of the fish three days and three nights.

GREEK WORD OF THE WEEK

Word: phobeō (φοβέω)

Pronounced: fob-eh'-o

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

Meaning: according to Strong is: to *frighten*, that is, (passively) to *be alarmed*; by analogy to *be in awe* of, that is, *revere*: - be (+ sore) afraid, fear (exceedingly), reverence. Thayer adds that it can be used spiritually to fear the wrath of God or to reverence, venerate, to treat with deference or reverential obedience.

Supporting verse: Acts 10:2 a devout man and one who feared God with all his household, who gave alms generously to the people, and prayed to God always.

THOUGHT OF THE WEEK

As we think of the Greek word phobeo, we see where we get our word for the fear of things, phobia. There is a whole list of things that people are afraid of. It could be the dark, enclosed spaces, snakes, spiders or chewing gum (chiclephobia). There is nothing wrong with having these fears, but there is One who we all should fear, God. There are two ways in which we should fear God. First, we should be afraid of His wrath and eternal punishment. Heb 10:31 says, "It is a fearful thing to fall into the hands of the living God." This is true, just read about the eternal separation from God in torments. Second, we should fear God as having the proper reverence for Him. Remember, without God, we would not be here. He is our creator and has given us all things. Without Him, we would have nothing and be nothing. God is our heavenly Father. We should treat Him and respect Him as such and be obedient to Him as a child should be to their father. Yes, God loves us and we should love Him, but we also need to fear Him properly.



Bible question: What prophet walked around naked and barefoot for three years?

Last week's question and answer: Who parted the Jordan by striking it with his mantle? **Answer:** Elijah and Elisha (2Kings 2:6-14)

Those answering: Kay Robertson, Linda Jones, Clemmie Black, Helen Tidwell, Peggy Newsome, Rachel Adams, Johnny and Mae Downs