

THE COLDWATER CONTENDER

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

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ELDERS

Richard Price
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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

THOSE TO SERVE

Announcements:

Josh Fulcher

Lead Singing:

Mitchell Smith

Opening Prayer:

Richard Price

Scripture Reading:

David Dodd

Lord's Table

Kevin Smith
Richard Jones
Chris Smith
Nathia Whitley

Closing Prayer:

Luke Puckett

Greeters (East)

Richard and Rita

Greeters (West)

Elizabeth and Reagan

WELCOME

Tim Roland

and Family

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.

GETTING INVOLVED

By: Jonnie Hutchison

What would you do if you saw a child being punched hard in the face by a substantially larger adult male? Would you intervene? Would you stand back and allow this abuse to continue? Would you say, “It’s none of my business, - I don’t want to become involved”? In such a scenario, I believe that most of us would do what we could to save the child from further harm. We would become INVOLVED because we know it would be wrong for an adult male to be punching a child in the face.

Involvement is “the act of taking part in an activity, event or situation.” (MacMillan Dictionary). Becoming involved necessarily implies action and participation on the part of the involved. With that definition in mind let me ask you, dear Christian, how

INVOLVED are YOU in the work of the congregation of which you are a member? How INVOLVED are YOU in the effort to win the lost to Christ? How INVOLVED are YOU in restoring the erring? How INVOLVED are YOU in making a conscious effort to grow spiritually? How INVOLVED are YOU in teaching or attending Bible classes, attending worship and living a daily life of faithfulness as a servant of the Lord? Are YOU a willing participant in all the activities of the Lord’s church which are within your ability?

“Therefore my beloved brethren, be steadfast, immovable, always abounding in the work of the Lord, knowing that your labor is not in vain in the Lord” (1 Corinthians 15:58). This passage gives us the assurance that none of our efforts in serving the Lord—none of the work we do in His vineyard—is wasted nor does it go unnoticed. The abilities that God has given us are only wasted when we refuse to use them. If we refuse to get INVOLVED then we will suffer the same result as the one

talent man in the Lord’s parable whom his master called a “wicked and lazy servant” took his talent from him and said, “...*cast the unprofitable servant into the outer darkness. There shall be weeping and gnashing of teeth*” (Matthew 25:26, 30).

It is true that as we age we may not be able to do the things we once did in service to the Lord. Physical and mental conditions may not permit us to continue our involvement in some of the things we once did. However, every person, regardless of age or physical condition, may continue to be involved in the Lord’s work in some capacity. If one can do nothing more than pray think of all the good that prayer can do. “...*The effective, fervent prayer of a righteous man avails much*” (James 5:16b). Do what you can do with all your might which is all the Lord expects you to do. But never do as the one talent man did and offer excuses for not doing what you have the ability to do.

Getting INVOLVED requires one to WANT to be involved. Those who do not have the desire to be involved will not become involved. What about you dear reader? Do you love God? If you love Him you will want to be involved in serving Him to the best of your abilities. Be INVOLVED! Take an active part in serving the Lord.

—Via the Green Plain Proclaimer

Birthdays & Anniversaries

- ⇒ Mitchell Smith (29th)
- ⇒ Weston Hobbs (4th)
- ⇒ Wesley Tucker (9th)
- ⇒ Richard Price (10th)

Announcements

- ⇒ **Reading plan:** Deuteronomy
- ⇒ **Team workgroup:** Team leaders meet 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:** Thursday, June 9th at 6:30pm here at the building.
- ⇒ **Homecoming.** Today with Tim Roland. A potluck will follow the morning service.
- ⇒ **Visit:** We will visit Union Grove on 5-29. They start at 6.
- ⇒ **VBS:** June 11th starting at 9:00am
- ⇒ **Pantry item** for this week is: Spaghetti Sauce

Prayer/Sick List

- ⇒ Hazel Brandon
- ⇒ Mae Downs
- ⇒ Johnny Downs
- ⇒ Hyland Darnell
- ⇒ Norma Darnell (Has found out she has Parkinson's disease)
- ⇒ Tiffany Hobbs (recovering from surgery)
- ⇒ Shirley Rule (recovering from broken arm)
- ⇒ Debbie Brandon (recovering from fractured wrist)
- ⇒ Virgil Hale
- ⇒ 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
- ⇒ 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)
- ⇒ Jay Kolb (Friend of Bill and Maria has brain tumor)
- ⇒ Caleb Teasly (Kevin's cousin's son, 4 years old)
- ⇒ Bob Austin (having tests run for issues with his lungs)
- ⇒ Shane Black
- ⇒ 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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www.coldwatercoc.org.
You will find bulletins,
sermon outlines, and
other helpful links and
material.



MEMORY VERSE FOR THE WEEK

Deuteronomy 15:5 only if you carefully obey the voice of the LORD your God, to observe with care all these commandments which I command you today.

GREEK WORD OF THE WEEK

Word: hupakouō (ὑπακούω)

Pronounced: hoop-ak-oo'-o

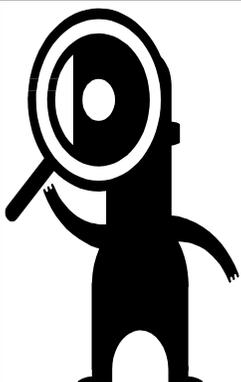
Translated into the word we use today: **Obey**

Meaning: according to Strong is: From G5259 and G191; to hear under (as a subordinate), that is, to listen attentively; by implication to heed or conform to a command or authority: - hearken, be obedient to, obey.

Supporting verse: Hebrews 5:8-9 though He was a Son, yet He learned obedience by the things which He suffered. (9) And having been perfected, He became the author of eternal salvation to all who obey Him,

THOUGHT OF THE WEEK

As we think about obeying God, we are reminded of what God told His people in the Old Testament. He told them to “CAREFULLY OBEY the voice of the Lord you God”. This meant that they had to do all that God told them to do, to keep all of His commandments down to the letter. God tells King Saul, through His prophet Samuel, that obeying God is the most important thing to do, even over offering sacrifice. In 1Sam 15:22 “...Behold, to obey is better than sacrifice...” Today this has not changed. We must heed the voice of God. Christ tells us in John 14:15 “If you love Me, keep My commandments.” If we truly love Him we will do all that He has told us to do. We will not leave out even one small point in the matter. James 2:10 “For whoever shall keep the whole law, and yet stumble in one point, he is guilty of all.” See, must we do ALL that Christ and God have commanded us to do. At the close of the sermon on the mount in Matthew 7, Christ says that if we hear and do all which He commands, then we are like a wise man, but if we hear and don't do all that He has commanded, then we are like a foolish man. Are you wise or foolish? Why not be wise and hear and obey God in all that He commands us to do?



Bible question: Who was anointed with oil by an immoral (sinner) woman ?

Last week's question and answer: What did the bones of Elisha do to a man?

Answer: Brought him back to life (2Kings 13:20-21)

Those answering: Kay Robertson, Linda Jones, Peggy Newsome, Rachel Adams