

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



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:

Josh Fulcher

Lead Singing:

Mitchell Smith

Opening Prayer:

Richard Price

Scripture Reading:

Ron Hutchison

Lord's Table

Bill Vincent
Kevin Smith
Luke Puckett
Bradley Smith

Closing Prayer:

Hyland Darnell

Greeters (East)

Chris and Theresa

Greeters (West)

Josh and Jennifer

LESSONS

AM: Part of Your
World

Scripture reading:

John 14:1-6

PM: Victory Over
Suffering

Scripture reading:

1Peter 4:14-19

KNOWING VERSUS APPLYING

By: Jonnie Hutchison

Jesus said, “And you shall know the truth, and the truth shall make you free” (John 8:32). Knowledge of divine truth (that which is revealed in the Bible) is absolutely essential to salvation. This statement of Jesus indicates that not only is His truth available, it is something that can be known with absolute certainty, and knowing God’s truth will make one free—free from the eternal consequences of sin (Romans 6:23). It should be obvious that the passage is using the word “know” in a comprehensive sense to include all that is necessary to being made free from sin.

The Bible clearly teaches that merely having a knowledge of what the Bible teaches without applying that knowledge through obedience is insufficient for one’s salvation. Consider the words of James 1:22-25, “*But be doers of the word, and not hearers only, deceiving yourselves. 23 For if anyone is a hearer of the word and not a doer, he is like a man observing his natural face in a mirror; 24 for he observes himself, goes away, and immediately forgets what kind of man he was. 25 But he who looks into the perfect law of liberty and continues in it, and is not a forgetful hearer but a doer of the work, this one will be blessed in what he does.*” Note the following truths revealed in this passage:

1. We must be “doers of the word.” In other words it is necessary to apply to our lives what we learn from the Word of God.
2. If we merely hear but fail to apply what we hear from God’s Word to our lives we have deceived ourselves. Inspiration’s illustration of the man who looks in a mirror but after turning away immediately forgets what he looked like describes exactly the situation of one who hears God’s Word but

refuses to do it. Has it done the man any good to look in the mirror? No. Does it do one any good to merely hear but fail to do what one hears? No! There is no benefit to merely hearing without the application of what one hears.

3. One must be a doer of God’s Word if one will be blessed in what he does. Hearing God’s Word is merely the first step. DOING God’s Word is where one receives the spiritual benefits promised by our loving and merciful God!

What is the spiritual condition of one who knows but fails to do? In addition to being self-deceived one who knows to do but fails to do it has committed sin—“*Therefore, to him who knows to do good and does not do it, to him it is sin*” (James 4:17).

So, are you merely a hearer or a hearer AND a doer? Jesus taught, “If you know these things, blessed are you if you **do them**” (John 13:17). The inspired Paul wrote, “*for not **the hearers** of the law are just in the sight of God, but the doers of the law will be justified*” (Romans 2:13). Dear reader, even if you know what the Bible teaches to do to be saved from sin, if you have not done it you are still lost! We would encourage you to recognize the need to **act now**, while time and eternity are on your side! (See 2 Corinthians 6:2)

—Via The Green Plain Proclamier

Birthdays & Anniversaries

⇒ Kay Robertson (14th)

Announcements

- ⇒ **Reading plan:** Haggai and Malachi
- ⇒ **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!
- ⇒ **Lasagna Supper:** Thanks to team 2 for this wonderful time of fellowship.
- ⇒ **Ladies Bible class:** Will start back up on 9/22 at 10am
- ⇒ **Gospel Meeting:** Our gospel meeting is Oct 18-21 with Andy Brewer. Please keep this effort in mind.
- ⇒ **New Address:** Hyland and Norma Darnell 1407A Crystal Brook Lane Murray, KY 42071 (270) 761-2141
- ⇒ **Pantry item** for this week is: Peanut Butter

Prayer/Sick List

- ⇒ Ima Barnes
- ⇒ Tonya Jones
- ⇒ Hazel Brandon
- ⇒ Mae Downs
- ⇒ Johnny Downs
- ⇒ Hyland Darnell
- ⇒ Norma Darnell (Has found out she has Parkinson's disease)
- ⇒ Shirley Rule (Continuing to improve)
- ⇒ 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
- ⇒ Jana Ward (cancer)
- ⇒ Trudy Smith
- ⇒ 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
- ⇒ Lashell Jones
- ⇒ Michael Inman (Tonya Jones' stepdad)
- ⇒ Ricky Puckett (Luke's uncle)
- ⇒ Marie Thrasher (Maddie's mom had hip replacement)
- ⇒ 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

Haggai 2:11 "Thus says the LORD of hosts: 'Now, ask the priests concerning the law, saying,

GREEK WORD OF THE WEEK

Word: hierous (ἱερεύς)

Pronounced: *hee-er-yooce'*

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

Meaning: according to Strong is: a priest (literally or figuratively): - (high) priest. Thayer adds, a priest, one who offers sacrifices and in general is busied with sacred rites, 1a) referring to priests of Gentiles or the Jews, 2) metaphorically of Christians, because, purified by the blood of Christ and brought into close intercourse with God, they devote their life to him alone and to Christ

Supporting verse: 1Pe 2:5 you also, as living stones, are being built up a spiritual house, a holy priesthood, to offer up spiritual sacrifices acceptable to God through Jesus Christ.

THOUGHT OF THE WEEK

Have you considered that as Christians we are priests? You, as a child of God today, are compared to and even called a holy priesthood. Why would God call us today priests? Because we, as Christians, today are to fulfill the role of a priest under the new law. Yes, we, all of us, that are Christians are to fulfill this role as a priest under the new law. What are some things we are to do today? We must offer sacrifice which was a form of worship under the old law. See, today we can go before God and worship Him. We are commanded to worship Him in spirit and truth (John 4:24). Second, let us notice Haggai 2:11 again. "Thus says the LORD of host: now, ask the priests concerning the law, saying". Notice who they were to ask when it came to things concerning the law. They were to ask the priests. This meant that the priests had to know the law. What does this mean for those of us who are priests or Christians today? It means that we have to know the law. We must study the law of Christ and know it (2Tim 2:15). We must have a knowledge of it so that we can defend it and give an answer to anyone with a "thus sayeth the Lord" (1Peter 3:15). Are you as a Christian fulfilling your duty to God today as one of his priests?



Bible question: Who was exiled on Patmos?

Last week's question and answer: What grain didn't suffer from the plague of hail in Egypt and why? **Answer:** Wheat and rye, because they had not yet started to grow (Exodus (9:32)

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