

# THE COLDWATER CONTENDER

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

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Johnny Downs  
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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:**

Kevin Smith

### **Lead Singing:**

Ron Hutchison

### **Opening Prayer:**

Andy Johnson

### **Scripture Reading:**

Chris Smith

### **Lord's Table**

Mitchell Smith  
Richard Price  
Gerald Rule  
Kyle Hobbs

### **Closing Prayer:**

Bradley Smith

### **Greeters (East)**

Kay and Linda

### **Greeters (West)**

Ima and Milodean

### **LESSONS**

**AM:** You Never Had  
A Friend Like Me

### **Scripture reading:**

John 15:9-14

**PM:** An All-Inclusive  
Command

### **Scripture reading:**

Romans 13:8-14

# WHAT ABOUT BIBLE TRUTH

*By: Jerry Joseph*

What is Bible Truth? Can we know Bible Truth? Is it important that we know Bible Truth? The answers to these questions and other questions about Bible Truth are contained within God's Word.

- **BIBLE TRUTH IS ABSOLUTE.** Some have the idea that Bible Truth is relative. That is, truth to one person is not necessarily truth to another. What this philosophy says is that you can basically do, teach, and practice whatever you desire, and God will accept it, since there is no absolute truth. If Bible Truth is relative, there can be no false belief, teaching nor practice. If Bible Truth is relative, why did Jesus say, "Beware of false prophets" (Mat. 7:15)? How can we "try the spirits" (1 John 4:1) if Bible Truth is relative? How can we "all speak the same thing" (1 Cor. 1:10) if Bible Truth is relative? These verses cannot be obeyed without believing and understanding that Bible Truth is **ABSOLUTE**.
- **BIBLE TRUTH IS ATTAINABLE.** Can we know the truth? In John 8:32, Jesus said, "And ye shall know the truth and the truth shall make you free." Yes, truth can be known. Not only can we know it, we must know it in order to be saved (1 Tim. 2:4). If we cannot know the truth, why are we told to study (2 Tim. 2:15); search the Scriptures (John 5:39; Acts 17:11) and meditate upon the Scriptures (Psa. 1:1 -2)? Yes, Bible Truth can be known, that is, it is **ATTAINABLE**.
- **BIBLE TRUTH IS ALL-IMPORTANT.** In John 8:32, Jesus said, "And ye shall know the truth and the truth shall make you free." It is by knowing the truth that we are made free. In knowing and obeying

Bible Truth we have freedom from sin (Rom. 6:23). We will keep ourselves from the vengeance of the Lord by knowing and obeying the truth (2 The. 1:7-9). If we want to prepare ourselves for a home in Heaven, we must know and obey the truth (Mat. 7:21-23). Bible Truth is **ALL-IMPORTANT**.

- **BIBLE TRUTH IS AUTHORITATIVE.** How can we know what is right or wrong, what is truth or error? The answer is not found in politicians, preachers, popularity, power, position, pleasing ourselves or pleasing others. But, it is found only in the Bible. We must have Bible authority for all we believe, teach and practice (Col. 3:17; 1 The. 5:21; 2 Tim. 3:16-17). Bible Truth is **AUTHORITATIVE**.
- **BIBLE TRUTH MUST BE ACCEPTED.** It is not enough just to know that Bible Truth is **ABSOLUTE**, **ATTAINABLE**, **ALLIMPORTANT** and **AUTHORITATIVE**, it must, from the heart, be **ACCEPTED** (Rom. 6:17-18; Jam. 1:21-22; Heb. 5:8-9; 1 Pet. 1:22; Mark 16:16).

-----Via St. Peters Proclaimer

## **Birthdays & Anniversaries**

⇒ Richard and Rita (11th)

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## **Announcements**

- ⇒ **Reading plan:** Zechariah
  - ⇒ **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.
  - ⇒ **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!
  - ⇒ **Ladies Bible class:** Has started back on Tuesdays at 10am
  - ⇒ **Monthly Men's Class:** Will be held on Tuesday Dec 01 at 6:30pm here at the building.
  - ⇒ **Thanksgiving Potluck:** Nov 22 after AM service.
  - ⇒ **5th Sunday Potluck and singing:** Nov 29th
  - ⇒ **Visit:** We will visit Dexter as a congregation on Nov 29. They start at 5:00pm
  - ⇒ **Pantry item** for this week is: Spam
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## **Prayer/Sick List**

- ⇒ Tonya Jones
- ⇒ Hazel Brandon
- ⇒ Mae Downs
- ⇒ Johnny Downs
- ⇒ Hyland Darnell (had knee replacement surgery on the 28th)
- ⇒ Norma Darnell (Has found out she has Parkinson's disease)
- ⇒ Shirley Rule (Continuing to improve)
- ⇒ 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
- ⇒ 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 (Rachel was placed in a nursing home)
- ⇒ Lashell Jones
- ⇒ Michael Inman (Tonya Jones' stepdad)
- ⇒ Maria's sister-continuing to recover from heart surgery.
- ⇒ Mary Wallace (cancer)
- ⇒ Katie Bell Collins passed away (Eddie Black's aunt)
- ⇒ 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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## MEMORY VERSE FOR THE WEEK

Zec 3:1-2 Then he showed me Joshua the high priest standing before the Angel of the LORD, and Satan standing at his right hand to oppose him. (2) And the LORD said to Satan, "The LORD rebuke you, Satan! The LORD who has chosen Jerusalem rebuke you! Is this not a brand plucked from the fire?"

## GREEK WORD OF THE WEEK

**Word:** Satan (Σαταν)

**Pronounced:** sat-an'

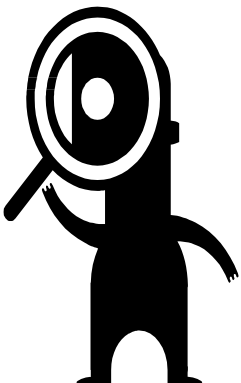
**Translated** into the word we use today: **Satan**

**Meaning:** according to Strong is: Satan, that is, the devil: - Satan. Thayer adds 1) adversary (one who opposes another in purpose or act), the name given to, 1a) the prince of evil spirits, the inveterate adversary of God and Christ

**Supporting verse:** Act 5:3 But Peter said, "Ananias, why has Satan filled your heart to lie to the Holy Spirit and keep back part of the price of the land for yourself?"

## THOUGHT OF THE WEEK

Satan, the great tempter, the adversary of God and all that is good. Satan is spiritually who disobeys God and seeks to destroy all the He stands for. Satan is our enemy. 1 Peter 5:8 says "Be sober, be vigilant; because your ADVERSARY the DEVIL walk about like a roaring lion, seeking whom he may devour." See, Satan is out to tempt us to try and get us to do any and all things that are contrary to God's holy and divine law. Satan started tempting man to break God's law back in the beginning. In Genesis 3, he tempted Eve and Adam to eat of the fruit which God had told them not to eat, then they did. When Ananias lied about the price which he sold land for, Peter ask him "why has SATAN filled you heart to lie..". Many times, Satan, our great adversary, tempts us, and we give in. He wins that battle and we falter. Other times we overcome him like Christ did in Matthew 4 when Satan tempted Christ. We can overcome and defeat Satan. Notice back in Zechariah 3:2, that The Lord rebukes Satan. The God has power over Satan and He can and does defeat Satan. We, too, with God's word, can defeat him. Psa 119:11 says "Your word I have hidden in my heart, That I might not sin against You." James 4:7 "Therefore submit to God. Resist the devil and he will flee from you." Are we resisting and fighting against our adversary, or are we giving in to him?



**Bible question:** What momentous finding caused King Josiah to tear his clothes?

**Last week's question and answer:** What king was captured by Saul and cut into pieces by Samuel?

**Answer:** Agag (1 Samuel 15:8,31-33)

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