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By Dan Jenkins

Obvious Truth Can Become Hidden Truth

A study of John chapter seven gives an amazing insight into how people of the first century saw truth, yet at the same time that truth was hidden from them. It helps us understand how people of the twenty-first century have not found the truth. The nature of mankind truly has not changed.

The teachings of Jesus were so plain that everyone could understand them. He was truly the Christ. He not only openly claimed to be the Son of God, but He also proved this by His miracles. This proof was so obvious that many said, "When the Christ comes, will He do more signs than these which this Man has done?" (John 7:31). How could anyone not see this truth? Why was this obvious truth not seen by everyone in the first century?

Truth was hidden because the people had been taught false doctrine. It was commonly believed that a prophet could not come from Galilee. When Philip told his brother that He had found the Messiah, Nathanael almost did not find Him because he had decided that nothing good could come out of Nazareth, a city in Galilee. The message on Pentecost was magnified when it was seen that every apostle came from Galilee. They struggled to believe that Galileans could be speaking in tongues (Acts 2:7). Those in John seven who asked

if the Christ could do more signs than Jesus had done, struggled to deal with the false idea they had been taught that no prophet, especially the Prophet, could be from Galilee (John 7:41-42). Truth can be hidden by believing false teaching.

Truth was hidden because men had been taught to put their trust in religious leaders and follow them. The Pharisees asked the people, "Have any of the rulers or the Pharisees believed in Him?" They wanted the people to ignore obvious truth by showing them that the religious leaders' actions should be followed. Truth can be hidden by the elevation of religious leaders.

Truth was hidden because those in power used legal means to silence the messenger. As Jesus spoke in the temple, soldiers were sent to arrest Him. The leaders' desire to hide truth was so great that they sought to arrest Jesus (7:30, 32). Yet, even the soldiers were captivated by what He was saying (7:46).

Truth is often hidden today for the same reasons it was hidden then. The prejudice created by false teaching in our day keeps people from seeing obvious truth. The concept of following religious leaders keeps people from seeing the truth. Efforts abound to hide the truth using legal means to redefine sins and make them morally acceptable.

Study John chapter seven and see that what happened in the first century is happening in our day!

Mankind has not changed. Men today are like those men in the first century.



By David Sproule

A Personal Relationship with Jesus Starts in Baptism

It is so common in the religious world to hear people talk about having "a personal relationship with Jesus." Nothing could be better on this earth than that! But, a person cannot actually have "a personal relationship with Jesus" until he is actually in "a personal relationship with Jesus." I'm not

sure if that makes sense to you, but just because someone claims to be in "a personal relationship with Jesus," does not actually mean that he/she is. Let's examine **exactly WHEN the Bible says that someone enters into a personal relationship with Jesus.**

We could study this from the perspective of birth. How is one "born into" the family of God and thus "born into" a relationship with Jesus? The Bible answer we would find would be at the point of a penitent believer being baptized (John 3:5; Eph. 5:26; Tit. 3:5), but that is not our focus in this article.

We could study this from the perspective of marriage. How does one become "married to Christ," like it talks about in Romans 7:4? The Bible answer we would find would be at the point of baptism again, when one becomes a part of the bride of Christ with Christ as the bridegroom (1 Cor. 12:13; Acts 2:41, 47; Eph. 5:22-33), but that is not our focus in this article.

In both of these examples above, there is an obvious

point when one goes from outside the family of God and **into** the family of God, and when one goes from outside a marriage to Christ and **into** a marriage to Christ. When it comes to a personal relationship with Jesus, one will find again that there is a obvious point when one goes from outside that relationship and **into** that personal relationship.

In Matthew 2:11, there is a word used about the wise men who were outside the house and then stepped "**into**" the house. That's a very definite point of change. That same Greek word (*eis*) is used when one, who is outside a relationship with Christ, steps "**into**" that relationship. Look at these verses carefully.

"For as many of you as were **baptized into Christ** have put on Christ" (Gal. 3:27). That Greek word (*eis*) denotes a movement "**into**" Christ, now to enjoy a personal relationship with Him. Again, Romans 6:3—"Or do you not know that as many of us as were **baptized into Christ Jesus** were baptized into His death?" These are the only two verses in all the New Testament that teach how one enters "**into**" Christ and, thus, "**into**" a personal relationship with Christ. That personal relationship cannot be claimed or enjoyed even one moment before one's baptism.

Take time to also note that same Greek word (*eis*) is also used in Matthew 28:19, to emphasize a change in relationship with the entire Godhead which takes place in baptism.

That personal relationship with Jesus cannot be enjoyed before one's baptism!



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“Your word is settled in heaven”

Laws in our land can be (and are) changed. Rules in school and at work can be (and are) changed. Amendments can be (and are) made to the Constitution. Just when you think something is firmly set as a code of regulation or conduct, someone goes and changes it.

Aren't you glad that the Bible says, “Forever” (not temporary or fluctuating or volatile), “O Lord, Your word is settled in heaven” (Psa. 119:89). What does it mean that God's Word is settled? The ESV has “firmly fixed.” God's Word is NOT going to change! Jesus said, “My words will by no means pass away” (Matt. 24:35). Peter affirms, “... The word of God...lives and abides forever...the word of the Lord endures forever” (1 Pet. 1:23, 25).

When God **says** something, when God **commands** something, when God **promises** something, when God **guarantees** something, IT IS SETTLED! His Word will not change! He will not change it! You can build upon it and act upon it with absolute assurance! – DS

Heavenly diagnosis of depression

It is estimated (by some) that one in seven Americans suffers from depression. Depression has been called “the common cold of mental illnesses.” While I don't want to over-emphasize or minimize the condition, here are some thoughts from Scripture.

The word “depression” appears only once in the Bible (and that in the NKJV) – “Anxiety in the heart of man causes depression” (Prov. 12:25). God says that depression is caused by anxiety. But God tells us to “be anxious for nothing” (Phil. 4:6). How can He possibly expect us to do that? “In everything by prayer and supplication, with thanksgiving, let your requests be made known to God” (Phil. 4:6). By “giving everything to God,” depression can be replaced by “the peace of God, which surpasses all understanding” (Phil. 4:7).

I know that all of this is easier in theory than in practice. However, if you suffer from anxiety and depression, how often and thoroughly are you truly giving it all to God? Don't forget that He is the Great Physician! He is the Wonderful Counselor! He is the Prince of Peace! – DS

Keep in Your Prayers



Pray for These PBL Members

Joyce Barnhouse	having heart problems
Pearl El	suffering with congestive heart failure
Tasha Ellis	recovering at home from eye surgery
Annie Faison	suffering with swelling in her left eye
Judie Jenkins	recovering from foot surgery
Angie McNicol	recovering from foot surgery
Leigh Puckett	foot surgery on Monday (6/24)
Angie Seames	recovering from foot surgery
Cathy Seay	recovering at home from surgery on carotid artery
Norm Smedley	Home from the hospital, breathing problems

Long-Term Health Issues

Millie Ames	receiving specialized care
Lillian Bankston	dialysis treatments
Janet Hickerson	suffering with back pain
Lennie Langley	Palms Edge, Hospice Care
Deidra Miley	dialysis treatments
Silas Moses	dialysis treatments
Charles Norton	dialysis treatments
Gene Puckett	dialysis treatments
Les Sawyer	recovering from radiation
Patricia Ventress	both kidneys removed



Nelson Watts, upon the passing of **Karen** last Saturday morning. A Memorial Service was held on Wednesday evening.

Pray for Our Shut-Ins

Vera Day	Shelton Howell
Cora Lee Dennis	Gladys Jackson
Kay Fish	Jean McMasters
Margie Fortenberry	Betty Matter
Helen Gardner	Rosa Nash
Margaret Griffo	Leigh Puckett
Margie Hardin	Ricky Smedley
Loretta Holaday	Margaret Wade

Pray for These Relatives of PBL Members

Elaine Back	Jenny Jordan's mother, fell & injured her arm
Ed Campbell	Tasha Ellis' stepfather, preleukemia, very serious condition
Craig Clark	Chuck Clark's brother, terminal
James Cunningham	Jackie Price's father, recovering from stroke, nursing home
Dawn Fish	Kay Fish's daughter, under Hospice Care
Carl Howeller	Jenny Jordan's uncle, diagnosed with cancer
Marie Jackson	Jonetta Green's sister-in-law, hospitalized again in GA
Ulysses Jones	Sallie Moses' son, diagnosed with liver cancer
Perry King	Bettye King's father, under Hospice Care, liver cancer
Mason Lerro	Richard & Judy Lerro's great-grandson, surg. complications
Mario Moss	Marcia Clough-Moss' husband, undergoing medical testing
Charles Thomas	Giselle Smith's father, recovering from heart attack
Terry West	Amy West's father, undergoing cancer treatments

Pray for Our Missionaries

Josh & Cara Blackmer	Paraguay
Troy & Andrea Spradlin	Paraguay
Robert & Mary Martin	Pacific Islands
Scott & Rebecca Shanahan	Pacific Islands
Joey & Tammy Treat	Pacific Islands
Tamuka Arunashe	Zimbabwe
Nnanna Aforgi	Nigeria
Apologetics Press	Montgomery, AL
Mauricio Yegros	Coral Springs, FL



Church Family Calendar of Events

Sunday-Wednesday, June 22-25

- ◆ **Special Bible Study Series hosted by Clewiston.** Mike Brooks from Muscle Shoals, Alabama will be speaking each night at 7:00 p.m. (Monday-Wednesday). See the bulletin board for more details.

Monday, June 23

- ◆ **Monday Night Bible Study** at 7:00 p.m. in the Family Room.

Tuesday, June 24

- ◆ **Tuesday Morning Bible Study** at 10:30 a.m. in the Family Room.

Wednesday, June 25

- ◆ **Kick Start Your Summer Series: "Count Your Blessings."** James Mayo will be speaking on "You Have God's People."

Sunday, June 29

- ◆ **Church Family Devotion** after evening worship. Josh Blackmer will be speaking live from Paraguay. All families are encouraged to attend.

Wednesday, July 2

- ◆ **Kick Start Your Summer Series: "Count Your Blessings."** Kevin Patterson will be speaking on "You Have God's Providence."

Sunday, July 6

- ◆ **Renova Nursing Home Visit** at 2:30 p.m.

Wednesday-Sunday, July 9-13

- ◆ **Leadership Training Camp for Young Men & Women.** Please see David Sproule if you can providing housing for guys or girls.

Sunday, July 13

- ◆ **Leadership Training Camp Lessons** presented by the young men and women. There will be a separate class for the ladies.
- ◆ **Youth & Family Singing** after evening worship in the Family Room. Every member is invited to stay and sing for about 35 minutes.

Sunday-Saturday, July 20-26

- ◆ **Jenkins Week at CFBC.** Apply online at www.cfbiblecamp.org.



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Young Adults

Monday, July 7

- ◆ **Young Adult Ladies' Prayer Night** at 6:00 p.m. at the home of Jennifer Goodale.

Saturday, July 12

- ◆ **Young Adult Devotion** at 6:00 p.m. at the home of Nate & Cindy Nelson.

Sunday-Saturday, July 20-26

- ◆ **Jenkins Week at CFBC.** See Gary or Jacqui Jenkins for details.

Saturday, August 2

- ◆ **Young Adult Area-Wide Devotion** at 6:00 p.m. at the Stuart congregation.

Sunday, August 17

- ◆ **Young Adult Meeting** after evening worship in Adult 1.

Saturday, August 23

- ◆ **Young Adult & Sr. High Service Project.** Meet at the building at 8:30 a.m. See Ivan Villard for more details.



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Youth

Sunday, June 22

- ◆ **Jr. High Devotion** after evening worship.

Saturday, June 28

- ◆ **Sr. High Visitation Day** from 11:00 a.m. until 1:30 p.m. Meet at the church building and bring money for lunch. See Dan or Loni Fuller for details.

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July 2014



Sunday	Monday	Tuesday	Wednesday	Thursday	Friday	Saturday
		1	2 ☆ Kick Start Your Summer with Kevin Patterson a Richard & Debi Watson	3 b Bethany Leslie	4 b Charles Norton	5 b Rachel Byerly b Enrique Chow b Debora Lynch b Jim Rogers b Kirstin Voet b Amy West
6 ☆ Renova Nursing Home Visit a Derrick & Stahia Banks b Jeff Goodale	7 ☆ Young Adult Ladies' Prayer Night a Jon & Jenny Jordan a Ted & Laura Schuemann	8 a Paul & Lisa Metzkes	9 b Jessica Santana	10 b Jimmy Burney b Mary Reeves b Sarah Smedley	11 b Cheryl Floyd b Karen Friesner	12 ☆ Young Adult Devo
Leadership Training Camp for Young Men & Women (9th-12th)						
13 ☆ LTC Lessons Presented ☆ Youth & Family Singing b Novel Brown b Sam Simpkins	14 a Ross & Robin Stone b Kasandra Jones b Christopher Thompson	15 a Josue & Marie Charles	16 b Bonnie Arthur b Astrid Beliech b Hattie Daniels b Jim Davis	17 a Michael & Julie Trujillo	18 b Carolina Beliech b Marian Holland	19 a David & Traci Sproule b Jeff Leslie
20 b Gorman Ericksen	21 a Sherrick & Mary Thomas b Emily Lane b Sandy Mann	22 a Oliver & Margie Hardin b Priscilla Hoelzer b Michael Trujillo	23 b Sarah Collier b Tina Wagner	24 b Dan Jenkins b Rick Tibbetts	25 b Grant Fuller	26 b Marsha Beasley b Jeff Feeney b Eva Fulton
Jenkins Week at CFBC (20th-26th)						
27 b Willie Cox	28 a David & Skye Brown b Joy Cantrell	29 a Les & Betty McQuinn	30 b Victor Colage b Adam Seal	31 b Janet Hickerson		

"...always abounding in the work of the Lord..." (1 Cor. 15:58)

Birthdays & Anniversaries This Week

Sunday (June 22nd)
Kahla King

Monday (June 23rd)
Namdiddie & Ekaette Ikon (Ann.)

Wednesday (June 25th)
Tom & Rose Martens (Ann.)
Rodney Woods

Friday (June 27th)
Joe & Marian Holland (Ann.)
Iva Ardoin
Mary Thomas

Saturday (June 28th)
Cam Crotts
Cheryl Milton



Sunday,
June 15

LOCAL VISITORS: Winston & Phyllis Alvin; Kelvin Bean; Ms. Helen Chapman; Mr. Jean Charles; Mrs. Jeanette Cheatham; Miss Triinity Damron; Peggy & Andrew DeLaney; Pamela Edwards; Lawrence Gilmore; Ron Jenkins; Evelyn Nazario; Miss Natasha Ortiz; Nilsa Rodriguez; David Santana; Kevin Schenk; Christopher & Yolanda Stewart; Mrs. Tracy Walker & family; and Joe Woodfall.

OUT OF TOWN VISITORS: Mrs. Suzanne Branard, Merritt Island, FL; Tony Campbell; Mrs. Jennifer Lovelace, Burnsville, MS; Joel & Tenille McLeod & Sydney, Stuart, FL; Mrs. Beth Rosenblum, Huntsville, AL; Claudette Smith, Port St. Lucie, FL; Troy & Andrea Spradlin, Asuncion, Paraguay; and Gordon, Sandy, & Kylee Sullins, Rogers, AR.



Dear Palm Beach Lakes family,

Thank you for all the cards, prayers, and beautiful flowers you sent us during the loss of my mother. How blessed we are to be members of Palm Beach Lakes. Your love is greatly appreciated..
Beth Fry



Food Pantry Restock

- Cornerstone Group 1** Canned Soups or Beans
- Cornerstone Group 2** Canned Meats
- Cornerstone Group 3** Canned Fruits or Vegetables
- Cornerstone Group 4** Chef Boyardee Meals

Those to Serve

If you cannot serve, please call Mike Ellis at 775-3533.

*If you are scheduled to serve on Sunday morning, please meet in the Grades 6-8 classroom at **9:50 a.m.***

*If you are scheduled to serve on Sunday evening, please meet at the front of the auditorium at **5:50 p.m.***

Sunday Morning, June 22

Lead Singing Matt Ellis
Opening PrayerRick Hall
Scripture Reading..... Freddie Gadson
Presiding at Table Phil Porter
Serve at Table:
Jimmy Banks Bobby Ingraham
Cam Crotts Brent Leslie
Mike Erickson Warren Porter
Andy Griffiths Lawrence Williams
Alternates:
Glen Dawson Richard Watson
Closing Prayer Gary Seames

Sunday Evening, June 22

Lead SingingDan McLeod
Opening Prayer David McLeod
Scripture Reading..... Les McQuinn
Presiding at Table..... Jim Davis
Serve at Table:
Gorman Ericksen
Bobbo Lupo
Nick Pietro
Closing PrayerDick Kelley

Wednesday Evening, June 25

Lead Singing Dave McLeod
Extend Invitation..... Cam Crotts
Family Prayer Gary Jenkins

Our Record

Attendance	June 15	May Avg.
Sun. Bible study	232	244
Sun. A.M. Worship	359	387
Sun. P.M. Worship	200	179
Wed. Bible study	201	194
Contribution	\$14,443	\$14,896
2014 Weekly Budget: \$13,670		
Y-T-D Contribution-to-Budget: +17,081		

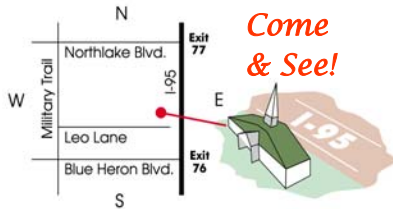
Ushers for the week of **June 22:** Head Usher: TBD, Paul Metzkes & Clayton Trujillo



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Come & See!

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Service Schedule

Sunday:

Bible Classes..... 9:00 a.m.
Worship 10:00 a.m.
Worship 6:00 p.m.

Wednesday:

Bible classes 7:00 p.m.

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Senior High Mission Team

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Leaders:

Paul & Lisa Metzkes

Bethany Bertram

Kaylani Carmona

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