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Be not dismayed whate'er betide, GOD WILL TAKE CARE OF YOU. Beneath His wings of love abide, GOD WILL TAKE CARE OF YOU.

by Civilla D. Martin

Thro' days of toil when heart doth fail. GOD WILL TAKE CARE OF YOU. When dangers fierce your path assail, GOD WILL TAKE CARE OF YOU.

All you may need He will provide, GOD WILL TAKE CARE OF YOU. Nothing you ask will be denied, GOD WILL TAKE CARE OF YOU.

No matter what may be the test, GOD WILL TAKE CARE OF YOU. Lean, weary one, upon His breast, GOD WILL TAKE CARE OF YOU.

GOD WILL TAKE CARE OF YOU, Thro' ev'ry day, O'er all the way. He will take care of you, GOD WILL TAKE CARE OF YOU.

Do You Know the Lord As Your Personal Savior?



A common question found in our religious world is, "Do you know the Lord as your personal Savior?" It is true that Jesus is Lord and that He is the One who saves us personally, but few have thought what it means to know the Lord.

By Dan Jenkins

When the question is asked and a negative response is made, then that person is told to repeat a

prayer that is not found even one time in the Bible. It has various forms but begins with an acknowledging of one's sinfulness and then asking Jesus to come into their hearts and save them. It is so ironic that this scenario is not found a single time in the entire Bible. The person is then told you are now saved and urged to follow Jesus.

What is found in the Bible is sinners being convicted of their sins and asking what they should do in order to be saved. Surely God put these stories in the Bible so that those who have arrived at the point of realizing they are lost and guilty of sins could find out what they must do. Read the book of Acts to see how God led men who did not know what to do to be saved to find their Savior. The contrast between the twenty-first century and the first century answer is so remarkable. God's answer to the question of salvation has not changed. The sinner's prayer did not come from God! The very first time anyone was saved after Jesus shed His blood to save them was on Pentecost, recorded in Acts chapter two. The preaching on that day convicted the hearts of many that they had crucified the Son of God. Their hearts cried out, "What shall we do?" The answer is found in verse thirtyeight, and it is not the sinner's prayer.

Paul killed many Christians before he was saved. When convicted of his sin he asked the Lord, "What do you

want me to do?" (Acts 9:6). Jesus told him that he would learn the answer when he went into the city. He was lost. He knew it. He wanted to be saved. He wanted the Lord to personally save him. Read Acts 22:16 to see God's plan of salvation. It was not, "Repeat this prayer after me." The sinner's prayer did not come from God.

Read the following description of how we can know that we know Him and know the Lord. "Now by this we know that we know Him, if we keep His commandments. He who says, 'I know Him' and does not keep His commandments is a liar; and the truth is not in him" (1 John 2:3-4).

How can one know that Jesus is his personal Savior? It is not because he says a prayer never found in the Bible. It is because he has made Jesus his Lord and obeys Him. You can be saved. You can know that you are saved. You can know that you know you are saved. Let Jesus, not man, tell you how.



When Paul Was Quarantined: The Superiority of Christ

So, what are you doing during your COVID-19 quarantine? Watching TV, playing games, reading a book? While your quarantine is but for a few weeks, the apostle Paul was "quarantined" as a Roman prisoner for two years. What do you suppose he was doing during that time? The book of Acts

ends by telling us that Paul "received all who came to him... teaching the things which concern the Lord Jesus

Christ with all confidence" (Acts 28:30-31). While he was imprisoned for teaching about Christ, he spent his entire prison term continuing to teach about Christ! It was during this time that Paul wrote a letter to his Christian friends in **Colosse**, exalting the superiority of the Lord Jesus Christ.

While in quarantine, Paul focused on the

superiority of Christ as God. Christ "is the image of the invisible God" (Col. 1:15), still bearing in the flesh the very essence of God. Christ was not inferior to the Godhead, for "it pleased the Father that in Him all the fullness should dwell" (1:9), which is expressed again by saying, "For in Him dwells all the fullness of the Godhead bodily" (2:9). We need to see Christ's superiority as God Himself!

While in quarantine, Paul focused on the superiority of Christ over all creation. Christ was not a created being, nor did He sit and watch the Father create the universe. "For by Him all things were created...All things were created through Him and for Him" (1:16-17). He made all things, and by His providential care, He continues to sustain all things (cf. John 1:3; Heb. 1:3). We need to see Christ's superiority as Creator!

While in quarantine, Paul focused on the superiority of Christ over His church. The church is first referred to as "the kingdom of the Son of His love" (1:13), emphasizing that

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the church belongs to Christ. "And He is the head of the body, the church" (1:18; cf. 2:19), emphasizing the authority that He has over it. He holds such a position because of "His blood" which He shed (1:14; cf. Acts 20:28) and His resurrection "from the dead" (1:18). We need to see Christ's superiority as head and Savior of His church!

While in quarantine, Paul focused on the superiority of Christ in our lives. Being "in" Christ makes us "complete" (2:9), and having Christ "in" us gives us "the hope of glory" (1:27). That affects us every day, as we seek to "walk worthy" of Him (1:10), to "set" our mind "on things above" (3:2), to "put off the old man" and "put on the new man," striving to live "according to the image of Him who created" us (3:8-10). We need to see Christ's superiority as our "all"!

Although Paul was separated from his friends, he wanted Christ to "have preeminence" in their lives (1:18)!

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Let Jesus, not



Seven Things the Lord Loves (Part 2)

To please the

He loves.

We continue our study taken from Proverbs chapter six. In verses sixteen through nineteen, Solomon lists seven things that the Lord hates. If the opposite is true, then we can discern seven things that the Lord loves. We looked at the first four last week. We will now finish the last three.

In fifth place of the things that God hates, Solomon

lists "feet that run rapidly to do evil" (Prov. 6:18). The Biblical concept opposite is mentioned as "straight paths" (Heb. 12:13). It is not hard to see the meaning of this warning, "Watch the path of your feet and all your ways will be established. Do not turn to the right nor to the left; turn your foot from evil" (Prov. 4:26-27), especially when we know that God's word is the lamp to keep us on the path. "Your word is a lamp to my feet and a light to my path" (Psa. 119:105).

The next in the compilation of caustic traits is, "A false witness who utters lies" (Prov. 6:19). We know that many people have fallen victim to false accusations, even our Lord. Woe to the one for whom they come. We should strive to be a faithful witness like our Lord (Rev. 1:5). Not only is it listed amongst the Ten Commandments, it also falls under the "love your neighbor as yourself" clause for those in the church. We need to be faithful witnesses of everyday actions and also of those concerning our Lord. Stephen and Antipas were mentioned as faithful witnesses (Acts 22:20; Rev. 2:13). This is not the denominational concept of one's personal conversion story. Rather, this is the stating of evidence to Lordship of Christ and the gospel. Paul was also mentioned as a witness. "The Lord stood at his side and said, 'Take courage; for as you have solemnly witnessed to My cause at Jerusalem, so you must witness at Rome also'" (Acts 23:11). We need to be as faithful

> with the message as Paul was and as the Lord is with us.

Last in the list is, "one who spreads strife Lord we must do among his brethren" (Prov. 6:19). The opposite of which is someone who promotes unity or a peacethose things that maker (Matt. 5:9). We should be counted among those that seek peace and unity where it can be found. "If possible, so far as it depends on you, be at

peace with all men" (Rom. 12:18). We must seek unity in the church and in the home. However, there can be no peace and no unity with whom our Lord has neither peace nor unity. We cannot be found in unity with false teachers, with those walking disorderly, or with any that would herald the cause of sin. How blessed and pleasant it is to dwell in unity (Psa. 133:1).

Maintaining these seven things will help us to maintain unity with Him. We will be found with Him in the end, if we do the things the Lord loves.

Articles Published in PBL Family News Emails Last Week

Stop your threatening

Maybe you recognize this situation. A person who is in a position of authority tries to find a way to flex that authority or to force a subordinate into a certain action. Sometimes in those situations, the one in authority will take to threatening the person in his charge to do what he wants done. Did you know the Bible deals with that situation?

In Ephesians 6, Paul addresses those who are "masters" on this earth. This has application today even beyond the master/slave relationship, and for sure (at the very least) applies in the workplace and to those in positions of authority. In these inspired instructions, the apos-

tle says, "And you, masters, do the same things to them, giving up threatening, knowing that your own Master also is in heaven, and there is no partiality with Him" (6:9).

A Christian is to behave as Christ, regardless of the position he holds on this earth! If there was anyone ever in a position to threaten, it was Christ in His suffering, and still, "He did not threaten" (1 Pet. 2:23)! - DS



When tax day really isn't tax day

April 15th is a day that all Americans know well! It's the dreaded "Tax Day." But, due to our present circumstances, April 15th this year has been moved to July 15th. So, "Tax Day" this year really isn't "Tax Day" (so to speak). (Check with your accountant for all tax information.)

> What if we moved other days like that? Or what if we could? What if your "Salvation Day" could be put off for three months? Suppose someone said, "You don't need to be saved today. Just wait three months." That person would be lying to you (see 2 Cor. 6:2; Acts 22:16). What if "The Lord's Day" could be put off to another day?

Suppose someone said, "You can observe the Lord's Supper any day. Sunday doesn't matter." That person would be lying to you (Acts 2:42; 20:7; 1 Cor. 11:17-34). What if "The Day of the Lord" could be put off until a convenient time? Except, it cannot! It will come (certainty!) as a thief in the night (unexpectedly!) (2 Pet. 3:10; 1 Thess. 5:2). God has set certain days in place. Let us not think they can be moved ! - DS

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Keep in Your Prayers

Pray for These PBL Members

Karen Bibbee	diagnosed with lung cancer
Betty Davis	recovering at home
Joe Holland	Heartland Health Care, treatments for an infection
Ophelia Holmes	in a lot of pain
Connye Plouffe	has been discharged from rehab
Linda Studer	Jupiter Med. Center, treatments for a bacterial infection

Long-Term Health Issues

Lillian Bankston

dialysis treatments

Pray for Our Shut-Ins

Millie Ames Karen Bibbee Hattie Daniels Josie Dawson Annie Faison Dianne Frye Margie Hardin Loretta Holaday Joe Holland Daniel Johnson Don & Betty Matter Deidra Miley Harriet Morris Leigh Puckett Les Sawyer Ricky Smedley Patricia Ventress

Pray for These Relatives of PBL Members

JoAnn Campbell	Tasha Ellis' mother, unusual weakness and exhaustion
Lucious Davis	Tonya Ross' father, diagnosed with stage 4 bone cancer
Ron Fernander	Turkessa Staley's father, Lakeside Health Center
Conrad Mills	Tasha Ellis' brother, dealing with health issues
Monica Pacheco	Joyce Parker's daughter, radiation for breast cancer
Doug Philips	Jacqui Jenkins' brother, stage 4 cancer in his spine



Church Family **Calendar of Events**

All Events Are Subject to Change.

Sunday, April 19

 ALL SERVICES WILL BE ONLINE ONLY. Go to www.pblcoc.org and click on "Watch Our Services Live."

9:15 a.m.Bible Study10:00 a.m.Morning Worship6:00 p.m.Evening Worship

• **Communion:** You can pick up the Lord's Supper from church on Friday, if you need it. Please come in the morning (9:00-11:00 a.m.) or afternoon (1:00-3:00 p.m.). Call ahead and it will be ready for you.

Wednesday, April 22

 ONLINE Midweek Bible Study at 7:00 p.m. Go to www.pblcoc.org and click on "Watch Our Services Live."

Thursday, April 23

- Family Group 3 Zoom Meeting with David Sproule. Please start connecting at 7:00 p.m. Study will begin at 7:15 p.m.
- Family Group 4 Zoom Meeting with Josh Blackmer. Please start connecting at 7:00 p.m. Study will begin at 7:15 p.m.

Sunday, May 3

• North Lake Nursing Home Visit at 2:30 p.m.

Sunday, May 10

• Youth & Family Singing after evening worship in the Family Room. Every member is invited to stay and sing for about 35 minutes.

Saturday, May 16

 Widows & Widowers Luncheon from 11:30 a.m. until 2:30 p.m. at the home of Kane & Fran Campbell. Come and enjoy food, fun and fellowship. RSVP to Kane & Fran Campbell or Joan Holloway.

Sunday, May 24

- **Promotion Sunday** at 9:00 a.m. All adults and children will meet in the Auditorium for a special presentation.
- High School Graduates' Luncheon after morning worship in the Family Room. All members are encouraged to attend and bring a potluck dish to share.

Young Adults

Friday, May 1

 Sr. High & YA Ladies' Hangout at 7:00 p.m. Bring snacks, drinks and your Bible. See Michelle Franck for more details.

Tuesday, May 5

• Young Adult Ladies' Prayer Night at 6:30 p.m. at the home of Cara Blackmer. See Cara for more details.

Saturday, May 9

• Young Adult Devo at 6:00 p.m. See Ivan Villard for details.

Sunday, May 10

• Youth & Family Singing after evening worship in the Family Room. Every member is invited to stay and sing for about 35 minutes.

Saturday, May 30

 VBS Work Day from 9:00 a.m. until noon. All members are encouraged to come and help prepare decorations. See Josh Blackmer for details.



Sunday, April 19

 Sunday Morning Bible Classes. Please join your class early so that we can start lessons on time. For details on how to join the online class, contact Jeff Goodale or Kevin Weeks (Grades 5 & Under) or Josh Blackmer (Jr. & Sr. High).

8:45	a.m.
9:15	a.m.

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3 ☆ North Lake Nursing Home Visit b Julio Aristy b Bill Ingram, Sr.	4 b Dan Johnson	5 ☆ Young Adult Ladies' Prayer Night a Taylor & Natalie Reeves b Willie Wilkins b Trina Wright	6 b Rachel Fuller b Johnnie Green b Nicholas Pietro b Marie Thorpe	7	8 b Jacqui Jenkins b Alice Nelson b Chuck Reeves, Jr. b Jackie Stout	9 ☆ Young Adult Devo b Carole Graff b Leigh Puckett
10 ☆ Youth & Family Singing	11	12 a Jean & Roselette Charles b Brianna Solis	13 b June Pack	14 b Mattie Cox b Carolyn Cullom b Judy Lerro	15 b Pete Brown	16 ☆ Widows & Widowers Luncheon
17	18 a Josh & Cara Blackmer a Rick & Peggy Hall a Jerry & Lorena Pittman b Joan Holloway b Rick Price	19	20 b Lovetta Harmon b Austin Reeves	21 b Jenisa Kenty	22 a Willie & Mattie Cox a Phyiona Patterson b Karly Stone	23 a John & Sue Hoelzer b Natasha Campbell b Tyler Williams
24 ☆ Promotion Sunday ☆ High School Graduates' Luncheon ☆ Jr. High Family Devo ☆ Sr. High Devo a Nathaniel & Cindy Nelson	25	26 a Ramon & Ashley Alfaro a Lawrence & Julie Williams b Gloria Boyd b Helen Chapman b Bob Higbee	27 a Bob & Sandi Hanna b Tamara Jean- Baptiste	28 b Margie Hardin b Peggy Simpkins b Gorgeous Symonette	29 b Grace Judge	30 ☆ VBS Work Day ☆ Jr. High Family Picnic b Dianne Halenda b Jené Williams
31 ☆ Fifth Sunday Night Finger Foods a Gary & Angie Seames						



Various Animals in the Bible

- 1. What kind of animals did Solomon's merchant ships bring to him (1 Kings 9:22)? ______
- 2. With what two animals did God forbid Israel to plow together (Deuteronomy 22:10)?
- What lost animals did Saul's father send him to find (1 Samuel 9:3)?
- 4. What animals mauled 42 youths after they mocked Elisha (2 Kings 2:24)? ______
- 5. What animal moved his tail like a cedar (Job 40:15-17)? ____
- 6. What animal did the prodigal's father command to be prepared for a feast (Luke 15:23)? ______
- 7. What animals did Proverbs say have no king, yet they all advance in rank (30:27)? _____
- 8. How many foxes did Samson catch and tie torches between their tails (Judges 15:4)?
- 9. What animals had David killed which prepared him to face Goliath (1 Samuel 17:36)?
- 10. What animal was Absalom riding when he got his head caught in a tree (2 Samuel 18:9)? ______
- 11. What animal did God provide Abraham to sacrifice instead of Isaac (Genesis 22:13)?
- 12. How many sheep did Solomon offer at the dedication of the temple (1 Kings 8:63)? ______
- 13. How many swine were in the herd into which Jesus cast the Legion of demons (Mark 5:9-13)?
- 14. To what animals did God compare the effects of drinking alcohol (Proverbs 23:29-32)?
- 15. To what animals did Jesus and Paul compare false teachers (Matthew 7:15; Acts 20:29)? _____
- 16. What animal talked to Balaam but carried Jesus into Jerusalem (Numbers 22:28; John 12:14)? _____

Sunday Worship Services

All services this week will be streamed live on our website: Sunday (9:00 a.m., 10:00 a.m., 6:00 p.m.) and Wednesday (7:00 p.m.)



Enid Youngman was baptized on Monday, April 13.

<u>Sunday (April 19th)</u> Katie Summerlot <u>Wednesday (April 22nd)</u> Steward & Rowena Lynch (Ann.) Jeremy Maloney Amber Villard

<u>Tuesday (April 21st)</u> Kay Richardson

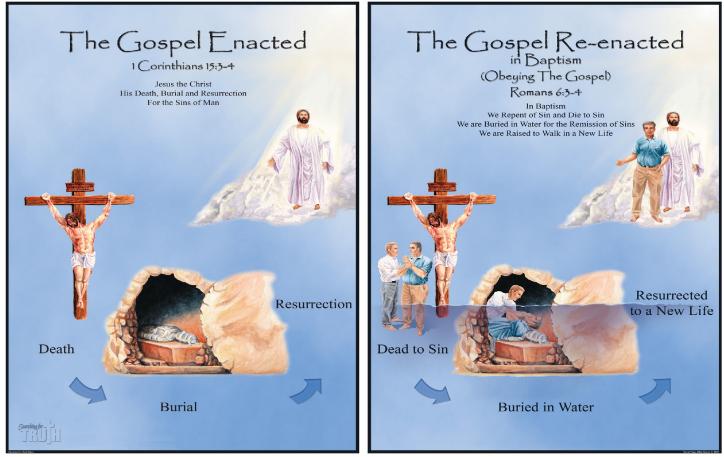


Our Record

Attendance	<u>Apr. 12</u>	Mar. Avg		
Sun. Bible Study	NA	212		
Sun. A.M. Worsh	ip NA	334		
Sun. P.M. Worsh	ip NA	166		
Wed. Bible Study	/ NA	185		
Contribution	\$16,253	\$14,218		
2020 Weekly Budget: \$14,944				
Y-T-D Contribution-to-Budget: \$1,292				



Front Cover: Jeremiah Hackshaw (at Promotion Sunday)



(Chart from World Video Bible School, wvbs.org)