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By Dan Jenkins

Do You Know the Lord?

A commonly used phrase in the religious world is, "Do you know the Lord as your personal Savior?" The concept of knowing the Lord is certainly Biblical, but phrases and concepts are sometimes redefined to describe a concept not found in the Bible. For example, the word "baptism" has spread

around the world to describe the sprinkling of water on an infant, but this concept is never found in the Bible.

There is that which the Bible says we can absolutely know. There is no room for doubt because the Bible affirms this knowledge in such a precise manner.

We Know That the Son of God Has Come

John says, "We know that the Son of God know the Lord has come and has given us an understanding, that we may know Him who is true" (1 John 5:20). The evidence is so overwhelming that there can be no doubt. A baby was laid in a manger more than 2,000 years ago and lived among men. He is the central person in all of history. Time itself is dated using BC and AD to indicate how many years an event happened before or after that manger was used. Think about it. Hindus, Muslims, infidels, atheists and agnostics acknowledge that event every time they write the date. But there is far greater evidence. Consider His miracles (John 20:30-31). Consider His

words so often used in our language (John 7:46). Consider the empty tomb—He died and was buried, and the tomb is empty! We know that Immanuel is reality.

We Know That We Know Him

"Now by this we know that we know Him, if we keep His commandments" (1 John 2:3). Look at these words carefully. Not only is it possible for us to know the Lord, we can know

that we know Him. The concept of knowing Him is not some vague, immeasurable idea. There is an absolutely certain way to check if we know Him. How do we know that we know Him? The Bible gives the evidence. It is not by some "born again" prayer that we remember saying years ago. It is not by some deep-seated feeling we have within us. Simply look at your response to what He has commanded, and if you are obeying them then you know Him and you

can know that you know.

We Can Know Far More Than We Realize

The phrase "we know" is found more than fifty times in the Bible and the apostle John uses it twenty-eight of those times. Your life will be blessed by using a concordance to discover all that we can know. Aren't you glad that we can know Him? Aren't you glad that you can know that you know Him? And aren't you glad that because of the Bible you can know that you can know that you know Him!



By David Sproule

"You Are Mistaken, Not Knowing the Scriptures"

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The Pharisees and Sadducees were the two major Jewish sects during the lifetime of Jesus. The Sadducees were more inclined toward the political matters of the day than they were the law of God (to which some Christians ought to take note today), but to their credit (at least in this small

point), they followed a strict interpretation of the Pentateuch, as opposed to revering the oral traditions like the Pharisees. So, if anyone in that day would have had a good working knowledge of the books of Moses, it would have been the Sadducees—right?

In Matthew 22, right after the Pharisees tried to "entangle" Jesus (22:15-22), "The same day the Sadducees, who say there is no resurrection, came to Him" (22:23). Notice how they begin their attempt to trap our Lord—they quote Scripture: "Teacher, Moses said..." (22:24). Then they proceeded to summarize the levirate marriage laws regulated by Moses in Deuteronomy 25:5-6, and then presented the Lord with an "impossible case" to solve in the implementation of that law, if there actually is a resurrection of the dead (which they did not believe). They were convinced that they (1) had indisputably proved their point and thus (2) had trapped Jesus in His own falsehood.

Look at how Jesus responds to their quotation and

misapplication of Scripture: "You are mistaken, not knowing the Scriptures" (22:29). They had taken a verse and completely misused that verse to teach something that GOD (i.e., the BIBLE) did not teach.

So, how did Jesus answer their error? He showed what the fullness of Scripture teaches. One verse of Scripture cannot (and does not) contradict another. The fullness of God's Word must be gathered (Psa. 119:160) and handled ac-

curately (2 Tim. 2:15; 3:16-17). Remember that the Sadducees only believed and followed the Pentateuch portion of the Old Testament. So, Jesus went to that section of Scripture and said, "But concerning the resurrection of the dead, have you not read what was spoken to you by God, saying, 'I am the God of Abraham, the God of Isaac, and the God of Jacob'?" (22:31-32). Jesus said that God said this "TO

YOU." It's in your Bible! By quoting Exodus 3:6, Jesus allowed Scripture to prove that "God is not the God of the dead, but of the living" (22:32). The Bible clearly taught the resurrection!

When you get into a discussion with someone who has quoted a verse to you but the entirety of Scripture does not validate their conclusion from that one verse, Jesus taught us to use the fullness of Scripture. Let the Bible answer! It's not "my verse versus your verse." "The sum of God's Word is truth!" The best commentary on the Bible is...the Bible!



By Josh Blackmer

The Gospel of Our Lord Jesus Christ

What are you

doing with the

gospel?

Have you ever sat and thought about the gospel of Jesus Christ? If you asked my grandfather what he did, he would say, "I am a gospel preacher." He would say it with conviction and a smile. Here are some of his thoughts on the gospel of our Lord.

The gospel means "good news." "I bring you

good news of great joy which will be for all the people" (Luke 2:10b). The Greek word is *euanggelion* and is used in the New Testament of the glad tidings of Christ and His salvation. It is something that Jesus wants everyone to hear. "Go into all the world and preach the gospel to all creation" (Mark 16:15). There is good news that Jesus wants everyone to hear! The gospel is God's power to save. "[The gospel] is the power of God for salvation to everyone who believes" (Rom.

1:16b). It tells how to be saved from our sins. Therefore, we must beware of other gospels. There are "different" gospels, perversions of the true gospel. Those who teach a gospel different than the apostles taught are accursed (Gal. 1:6-9). The gospel must be obeyed for one to expect a heavenly reward. "What will be the outcome for those who do not obey the gospel of God?" (1 Pet. 4:17). "These will pay the penalty of eternal destruction, away from the presence of the Lord and from the glory of His power" (2 Thess. 1:9). It is imperative that we hear the gospel and obey it, making sure the gospel we

obey is the same proclaimed by Jesus and His apostles!

With these preliminaries in mind, consider the following. Obedience to the gospel requires us to believe certain facts. Christ died for our sins according to the Scriptures (1 Cor. 15:1-3; Isa. 53:4-6). Christ was buried and rose again the third day and seen by many witnesses (1 Cor. 15:4-8). Jesus is exalted as Lord and Savior (Acts 2:33-36). He is coming again, as promised, to judge the world (Acts 1:9-11; 17:30-31). Do you

believe in the facts of the gospel? There are also commands that must be obeyed. We must believe the gospel or be lost (Mark 16:16; Rom. 1:16). We must confess our faith in Jesus (Rom. 10:9-10; Matt. 10:32-33). We must repent of our sins (Luke 24:46-47; Acts 2:36-38; 3:19; 17:30). We must be baptized for the remission of sins (Mark 16:16; Acts 2:38; 22:16). If we do those things, then there are promis-

es that we receive. We will receive the remission of sins, which are blotted out, washed away (Acts 2:38; 3:19; 22:16; Eph. 1:7). We will receive the gift of eternal life, both as a future hope and present reality (Rom. 6:22-23; 1 John 5:11-13). His blessings overflow.

My grandfather is fond of talking about the simplicity of the gospel. It is simple to understand, simple to believe, and simple to share. What are you doing with the gospel? If you share it, make sure it is with conviction and a smile.

Articles Published in PBL Family News Emails Last Week

for the Day

"I can't afford to go to church"

When gas prices were over four dollars per gallon a few years back, I remember hearing talk about that being so expensive that some folks could not afford to go to church. Take a minute and figure out how much it costs you to drive to church. If you live 20 miles from the building (which is more than most) and you get 15 miles per gallon (which is less than most), then it could cost you (at \$4/gallon) about \$10 to drive to church, which might be \$5 more than normal.

I understand that some folks are on fixed income, and I'm not trying to minimize that at all.

But most folks could find an extra \$5 for almost anything they wanted to do. (And the reality is that for most people it would only be about \$2-3 more to make the drive.)

As has been said, "Where there's a will, there's a way." If it is a financial hardship, I can just about guarantee there are good brethren who would help.

While some might try to explain how they can't afford to go to church, I have found for myself that I can't afford not to go. How important is it to you? – DS

In presence but not in heart

There is an interesting expression used by Paul in his first letter to the brethren in Thessalonica. Not many months after the brethren there had protected Paul and helped him to safely leave the city by night (Acts 17:5-10), Paul wrote a letter to them to impart some heavenly truths and encouragement. He noted that he had "been taken away from you for a short time

in presence, not in heart" (1 Thess. 2:17). Think about the implications of that statement.

Paul was no longer there to see the brethren in person, but he was still there "in heart." There may be times that cause us to be separated from our brethren "for a short time." The ques-

tion is, are we still with them "in heart"? Too often, some brethren's separation "in person" eventually leads to being separated "in heart," too. There's a big difference!

Where is your heart? Is your heart more interested in the treasures and pleasures of earthly life, or is your heart wrapped up in your heavenly family and your heavenly Father? – DS

Keep in Your Prayers



Pray for These PBL Members

Mary Brown awaiting treatment options

Johnny Davis, Jr. undergoing a more potent treatment for kidney cancer

Glen Dawson diagnosed with lung and stomach cancer

Sue Hoelzer recovering from successful surgery

Joan Holloway in Waterford Rehab; NO phone calls, please

Cynthia Ingraham being tested for kidney and breast issues

Inell Ingram struggling with mobility and recent falls

Rosa Nash undergoing radiation treatments for cancer

Melinda Price recovering from outpatient surgery

Sherri Richmond dealing with an infection in her knee

Tina Wagner recovering from breast cancer surgery

Henry Williams fractured ribs and in a lot of pain

Ongoing Health Issues

Mike Archer severe pain and weakness

Lillian Bankston dialysis treatments

Judy Carmack multiple health issues

Terri Hahn leukemia

Inell Ingram Courtyard Gardens (Jupiter)

John Loftis back pain, weakness

Joel Ramirez dialysis treatments

Pray for Our Shut-Ins

Millie Ames Joe Holland
Josie Dawson Daniel Johnson
Dianne Frye Betty Matter
Margie Hardin Connye Plouffe
Loretta Holaday Ricky Smedley

Pray for These Relatives of PBL Members

Russell Beliech Stephen Beliech's brother, hernia procedure on Nov. 9

Frankie Lyons Gwen Lyons' mother, side effects from covid shot

Clara Medina Carolina Alvarenga's sister, dealing with health issues

Betty Story Glen Dawson's sister, recovering from a stroke

Ann Teague Sabrina Pietro's mother, awaiting surg. on lung cancer

Samuel Williams Adelene Honore's brother, dealing with chest pain



Church Family **Calendar of Events**

Monday, October 25

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

Tuesday, October 26

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

Saturday, October 30

 Congregational Work Day to clean up the appearance of our building and grounds from 8:30 a.m. until noon.

Monday, November 1

 Men Meet Monday Night at 7:00 p.m. at the church building. All PBL Men in Grades 9 and up are invited. Bring your Bible, a chair, some meat to grill, a drink and your own plate/utensils. This is a great opportunity for men of all generations to fellowship.

Wednesday, November 3

 No Midweek Services. We will not be meeting for Bible Classes on Wednesday evening. Instead, we will be meeting on Thursday night for opening night of our Lectureship.

Thursday-Sunday, November 4-7

◆ 25th Annual South Florida Lectureship. This year's theme is "He Who Promised Is Faithful." See the Welcome Desk for a full schedule.

Thursday, Nov. 4 7:00 p.m. Friday, Nov. 5 7:00 p.m.

Saturday, Nov. 6 2:00 p.m. & 3:20 p.m. (Corn Roast at 5:30 p.m.)

Sunday, Nov. 7 9:00 a.m. Worship 10:25 a.m. Bible Class

Sunday, November 7

 Daylight Saving Time Ends. Don't forget to set your clocks back one hour.

Sunday-Wednesday, November 7-10

 Haverhill Road Lectures each night at 7:00 p.m. (Monday-Wednesday). Andy Cantrell (Minneapolis, MN) and Erik Borlaug (Atlanta, GA) will be the guest speakers.

Sunday, November 14

• **EDP Meeting** at 4:30 p.m. in the Family Room.



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 Men Meet Monday Night at 7:00 p.m. at the church building. All PBL Men in Grades 9 and up are invited.

Saturday, November 13

 Young Adult Devo at 3:00 p.m. at the home of Brandan Widner. See Ivan Villard for details.

Thursday, December 2

 Ladies' Soup Supper at 6:30 p.m. at the home of Traci Sproule. Sign up on the bulletin board to bring a soup, bread, dessert or drink. Bring an ornament for the exchange.

Friday, December 10

 Young Adult Devo & Holiday Party at 7:00 p.m. at the home of Dion & Misty Hayes. See Ivan Villard for details.

Friday, December 31

• New Year's Eve Gathering at 9:00 p.m. in the Family Room. Singing in the New Year will begin at 11:00 p.m.



Sunday, October 24

 Jr. High & Sr. High Family Devo after evening worship in the Family Room. The main dish and dessert will be provided. Please bring sides, chips and drinks.

Friday, October 29

 Jr. High & Sr. High Fall Fest at 6:00 p.m. at the home of Josh & Cara Blackmer. There will be games, activities and food. See Josh Blackmer for details.

Monday, November 1

 Men Meet Monday Night at 7:00 p.m. at the church building. All PBL Men in Grades 9 and up are invited.

Sunday, November 14

 Jr. High Lunch & Thanksgiving Visiting after morning worship. Bring \$10 for lunch and a thanksgiving treat.
 Meet in the Family Room after worship. We will return around 4:00 p.m.

Saturday, December 4

Holiday Party for Grades 5 & Under at 10:00 a.m.



November 2021

Sunday	Monday	Tuesday	Wednesday	Thursday	Friday	Saturday
	1 Men Meet Monday Night	b Trish Clark b Michelle Franck b Isolyn Sinclair	3 No Midweek Services	4 b Richard Lerro b Phil Porter	5 b Brent Leslie	6 b Flo Aristy b Trudie Holland
				254h Annual	South Florida Lectu	veshin (a th 7 th)
7 Daylight Saving Time Ends b Peggy DeLaney b Idara Ikon	8	9	10	11	12 b Dee Catanzaro	13 Young Adult Devo a Lance & Brenda Collier
	Haverhill Road L	ectures (7 th -10 th)				
14 Jr. High Lunch & Thanksgiving Visiting EDP Meeting b Carolyn Preston	15 b Lovella Rogers b Alexis Smith	16 b Katie Goodale	17 b Kelly Sproule	18 b Diane Leslie b Natalie Reeves	19 a Buzz & Kathy Nelson b David Thorpe	b Freddie Gadson b Matthew Jones b Leonard Williams
21 New 10-Week Classes Begin	b Elizabeth Carter b Rose Jean- Baptiste b Rosemarie Joseph	23 a Dick & Marcia Kelley	24 Congregational Singing	25 a Kevin & Leesa Schenk b Sue Hoelzer	26 b Orlando Lolo	27 a Brent & Andrea Leslie b Gary Friedly
28 b Mike Damron b Aaron Ross	29 a Aaron & Jennifer Walker b Regina Paul	30 b Andres Fernandez				

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







Sunday, October 17

LOCAL VISITORS: Ms. Lucille Black; Mr. David Caudill; Ms. Sylvia Goldie; Mr. Keith Hutchison; Ms. Robyn Landen; Mr. Brett Norman; Mr. Joseph Snyder; and Ms. Jettie Sweetenbury.

OUT OF TOWN VISITORS: Mr. & Mrs. Walt & Hazel Arthur, Nashville, TN; Mr. Michael Bassie, Knoxville, TN; Mr. & Mrs. Myrick & Cynthia Bassie, Columbus, GA; Mr. Jacon Crockett, Center Hill, FL; Ms. Rebecca Daniels & Steven Daniels, Folsom, CA; and Miss Stacy Hall, TX.



Sunday (October 24th) Lydia Quinn

Monday (October 25th)

Ekaette Ikon

Tuesday (October 26th) Kane & Fran Campbell (Ann.) Samantha Eutsey

Wednesday (October 27th) Traci Sproule

Thursday (October 28th) Dianne Frye

Saturday (October 30th) Marie Yolette Achille



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Those to Serve

If you are unable to serve, please contact the Service Coordinator for the week or Rick Hall at 827-4269. 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, October 24

Singing Gary Friedly Lord's Supper..... Dan McLeod Singing Opening Prayer.....Bob Higbee Scripture ReadingBill Ingram, Jr. Singing Contribution Singing Sermon Singing Closing Prayer Dirk Summerlot

Serve at Table:

Service Coordinator:

Errol Gower-Winter Ed Buonadonna **Gary Jenkins Devin Eutsey** Andres Fernandez Brent Leslie Freddie Gadson Chuck Reeves, Jr. **Edward Gager** Brandan Widner

Sunday Evening, October 24

Edward Gager

Ushers for this week: Daniel Swayne & Eugene Williams

Singing Ken Tipton Lord's Supper..... Dan Fuller Singing Opening Prayer...... Darin Summerlot Singing Contribution Singing Scripture Reading Daniel Lord Sermon Singing Closing Prayer......Daniel Wagner Serve at Table:

Connor Goodale

Tim Cox Safety Team for this week: David Lord

Wednesday Evening, October 27

Singing Graysen Hayes Invitation..... Ricky Smith Family Prayer Richard Watson

Our Record

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Attendance	Oct. 17	Sep. Avg
Sun. Bible Study	163	159
Sun. AM Worship	249	223
Sun. PM Worship	110	124
Wed. Bible Study	146	124
Contribution	\$15,795	\$16,578

2021 Weekly Budget: \$14,994

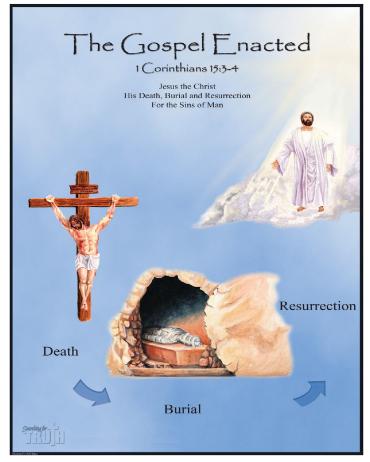
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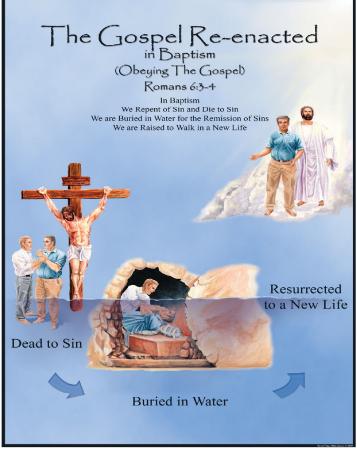




Service Schedule Sunday: Bible Classes.......... 9:00 a.m. Worship 10:00 a.m. Worship 6:00 p.m. Wednesday: Bible classes 7:00 p.m.

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