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Welcome New Members



Joy, Keith & Susan

Group 1

Identified August 6



Snyder, Summer

Group 1

Identified August 13

A Parenting Seminar

with Wayne & Tami Roberts



In His Steps

Teaching Your Kids to Walk with Jesus

Saturday, September 16

READING THROUGH THE NEW TESTAMENT

A Chapter A Day

This Week's Reading:

Galatians 4 -
Ephesians 2



By Dan Jenkins

The Hearts of Those Who Worship God

We do not always know the circumstances about what was happening when the psalmist took his pen to let us see what a man after God's own heart was dealing with. Such is not the case of Psalm 96. The historical setting of that psalm is found 1 Chronicles chapter sixteen.

King David had defeated the Jebusites who occupied Jerusalem and had prepared a place in that city to place the ark of the covenant in the tent/tabernacle he had erected there. As the ark was brought, a host of Jewish worshipers assembled. The divine record describes it in these words. "So they brought the ark of God, and set it in the midst of the tabernacle that David had erected for it. Then they offered burnt offerings and peace offerings before God...On that day David first delivered this psalm into the hand of Asaph and his brethren, to thank the Lord" (1 Chron. 16:1, 7).

What was the heart of David like as he worshiped God? Look at this psalm, and then be determined to let your heart be like this man as you come to worship Him.

David urged the people to "Sing to Him, sing psalms to Him; talk of all His wonderful works" (16:9). While you focus on Him, He is focused on you. Sing praises to Him. "Glory in His holy name; let the hearts of those rejoice who see the

Lord" (16:10). Let your soul commune within and glorify His name as you sing.

"Seek the Lord and His strength, seek His face evermore" (16:11). Perhaps the words of Paul explain this best. "You were raised with Christ, seek those things above where Christ is, sitting at the right hand of God. Set your affection on things above" (Col. 3:1-2). You are in His presence so devote your entire being to the glorification and adoration of Him.

We must learn to worship God like the man after God's own heart worshiped Him

"Remember His marvelous works which He has done, His wonders, and the judgments of His mouth ... Remember His covenant forever" (16:12, 15). That covenant He made with Abraham, Isaac and Jacob finds its final fulfillment in you! As you worship, remember all that He has done so that you can come before Him to worship.

"Sing to the Lord, all the earth; proclaim the good news of His salvation from day to day. Declare His glory among the nations" (16:23-24). Our adoration of Him does not end when the final prayer is prayed. Our faith has been fortified and we leave the assembly, but there is more. In several church buildings I have seen a sign saying, "Enter to Worship," but there was another sign posted as you left the building, "Leave to Serve." The blessing and joy of worship must be shared with the world.

God help us to worship Him like David did!



By David Sproule

Salvation: It Requires the Word of the Holy Spirit

When it comes to our salvation from sin, it is essential that we understand the agency of this salvation! Salvation is only possible through the instrumentality of THE WORD OF THE HOLY SPIRIT! We see that the entire Godhead is involved in our salvation from sin—the grace of God, the blood of Christ, the Word of the Holy Spirit.

Every word in our Bible is a product of the Holy Spirit. You "never" read any words that "came by the will of man, but holy men of God spoke as they were moved by the Holy Spirit" (2 Pet. 1:20-21). We are not reading "words taught by human wisdom, but in those taught by the Spirit" (1 Cor. 2:11-13). That should bring us great confidence!

Scripture teaches us that the Spirit-given Word in our Bible is essential for us to obtain salvation from sin. Paul said that the Word "is the power of God to salvation" (Rom. 1:16). James said that the Word "is able to save your souls" (Jas. 1:21). Without the Bible, a person cannot be saved. He must read, study and obey what the Bible says!

Scripture teaches us that the Spirit-given Word is that which leads one to the point of making the decision to be saved from sin. It is the Word that: "teaches" about sin, Jesus and righteousness (1 Cor. 2:13; 2 Tim. 3:16); "convicts" of sin

and error (2 Tim. 3:16; John 16:8; Tit. 1:9); "corrects" from sin and error (2 Tim. 3:16; Acts 18:26-28; Matt. 13:15); "instructs" in righteous living (2 Tim. 3:16; Col. 3:17); "gives light" to lead one's feet in the paths of righteousness (Psa. 119:105; Prov. 6:23); "gives understanding" to know the will of God (Psa. 119:130; Eph. 3:3-4); and generates "faith" in God and the deity of Jesus Christ (Rom. 10:17; John 20:30-31). One cannot know how to be saved without the Bible!

One cannot be saved from sin without the Bible!

Scripture teaches us that the Spirit-given Word is involved in the actual salvation from sin. Consider carefully that it is the Word that: "converts" the soul when it is obeyed (Psa. 19:7); "cleanses" from sin (Eph. 5:26; Psa. 119:9); "purifies" the soul (1 Pet. 1:22); "makes free" from sin (John 8:32); provides "liberty" from sin (Jas. 1:25); "sanctifies" from sin and unto God (Eph. 5:26; John 17:17); "gives life" (Psa. 119:50); is operative when one is "born again" into God's family (John 3:5; 1 Pet. 1:23); and "reconciles" one back to God when it is obeyed (2 Cor. 5:19-20). One cannot be saved from sin without the Bible!

Truly man is "saved" by the Word of the Holy Spirit (1 Cor. 15:1-4), but only with a proper response to it. We must "hear" it to "believe" (Rom. 10:17; Heb. 11:6). We must "study" it to "know" how to be saved (John 8:32; 2 Tim. 3:16). We must "obey" it to be saved (Acts 2:40; Heb. 5:9).



By Robert Lupo

Some Conditions May Apply

When I was a child, cereal boxes were a lot cooler. Sometimes, they would have a toy inside. Other times, they would have a sweepstakes. It might say, "Send in 10 proofs of purchase and you will be entered to win a free video game console!" And right next to that was some tiny print saying, "Some conditions may apply." There was a list of if's that I would have to meet in order to be in the running for the prize, including a one in a million draw. In the Bible, we also see a series of conditions. However, these are not written in small, obscure text. They are bold, obvious, and the prize is guaranteed.

In Leviticus 26:3-4, God told Israel, "If you walk in my statutes and keep My commandments, and perform them, then I will give you rain in its season, the land shall yield its produce, and the trees of the field shall yield their fruit."

The word 'if' is a powerful word in the Bible. With it, God made a conditional covenant with the children of Israel. His covenant with Jacob was conditional (Gen. 35:9-15), His covenant with Isaac was conditional (Gen. 26:1-5), and His covenant with Abraham was conditional (Gen. 18:1-14). To each of them the Lord promised great things...if they obeyed His commands. God's favor has never been unconditional.

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It is a wonder then why so many denominations preach otherwise. They preach "once saved, always saved" where no amount of sinful living can remove you from God's grace. Or, they might teach predestination, removing your free will choice altogether. The statement from Leviticus stands out because it comes near the end of the book containing God's laws for the priesthood and sabbaths. Leviticus is filled with laws. They were strict and complex, yet God still expected Israel to obey them.

As Christians, we do not have such a heavy burden (Gal. 3:10-14). Christ fulfilled the law and by His grace we have been freed from it. But does that mean we are free to sin? Paul said, "Certainly not! How shall we who died to sin live any longer in it?" (Rom. 6:1-2). But doesn't Paul say in chapter 8, verse 1, "There is therefore now no condemnation to those who are in Christ Jesus..."? Yes, he does. Then, he continues, "...who do not walk according to the flesh, but according to the Spirit."

Do not be deceived. God's grace is conditional. If we have been baptized into Christ, we are no longer under the burden of the law, but some conditions still apply. If we are faithful until death (Rev. 2:10), if we strive for good works (Jas. 2:14-17), and if we allow the commands of the gospel to abide in us (1 John 2:24), then we will receive the crown of life.

Articles Published in PBL Family News Emails Last Week

Your Father knows!

The religion of Christ is a very personal religion. It was prophesied by Jeremiah that God would "write" His law "on their hearts; and I will be their God, and they shall be my people" (Jer. 31:33).

So, when Christ came, He placed a strong emphasis on that personal relationship. In His "Sermon on the Mount," Jesus spoke of God as "God" six times, but He spoke of God as "Father" seventeen times. Do you see how personal He wanted His followers to see their God? Fifteen of the seventeen times, He emphasized that God is "your Father." He is not simply "God" or the "Creator." He is not merely "someone else's" Father. He is YOUR FATHER!

Then, in the heart of the sermon, Jesus stated twice that "**Your Father knows**...that you need all these things...before you ask Him" (Matt. 6:32, 8). The Greek perfect tense emphasizes that your Father has always known what you need! He doesn't forget! It doesn't slip His mind! He has known, He now knows and He will always know! How personal (i.e., close) is your relationship with Him? – DS



Your Father cares!

Does the fact that someone "knows" of a need necessarily translate into that someone "caring" and "doing" something about that need? No! Not at all! Look at how many people, organizations and government entities know of needs around them but do absolutely nothing.

In His "Sermon on the Mount," Jesus definitely wants us to know that "your Father knows the things you have need of before you ask Him" (Matt. 6:8). But Jesus also wants us to know that your Father goes the next step.

Jesus tells us to "Look at the birds" and realize that "your heavenly Father feeds them" (6:26). If God feeds the birds, don't you know that all of your basic necessities "will be added to you" (6:33)! If earthly fathers "give good gifts" to their children, "how much more will your Father who is in heaven give good things to those who ask Him" (7:11)—not just physical things like "bread" (6:11), but forgiveness of sins (6:12-14) and entrance into "the kingdom of heaven" (7:21). Thank God that we have a Father who both knows and cares! – DS

Keep in Your Prayers



Pray for These PBL Members

Judy Carmack	recovering at home from her hip surgery
Linda Coe	knee replacement surgery scheduled for Oct. 2
Mary Coombs	has not been feeling well
Richard Haines	recovering from neck surgery
Loretta Holaday	recovering from knee replacement surgery
Trudie Holland	now in Brookdale Assisted Living
Dan Johnson	in Gardens Medical Center (room 306)
Carolyn Kemp	in rehab, recovering from car accident
John Patrick	recovering from eye surgery
Jerry Pittman	had outpatient proc. to remove tumors from his bladder
Mary Quinn	dealing with vertigo
Sherri Richmond	thyroid cancer, surgery being scheduled
Yolanda Stewart	scheduled for surgery next month
Amy West	undergoing chemo treatments

Ongoing Health Issues

Judy Carmack	multiple health issues
Robin Landen	multiple health issues
John Loftis	back pain, weakness
Joel Ramirez	dialysis treatments
Sherri Richmond	multiple health issues
Henry Williams	dialysis treatments

Pray for Our Shut-Ins

Millie Ames	Inell Ingram
Lillian Bankston	Daniel Johnson
Josie Dawson	Betty Matter
Zula Garrett	Joyce Parker
Terri Hahn	Leigh Puckett
Margie Hardin	Maurine Reed
Loretta Holaday	Ricky Smedley
Joan Holloway	

Pray for These Relatives of PBL Members

Myrick Bassie	Yolanda Stewart's father, suffering serious health issues
Brittany Davis	Reanna Lupo & Halle Johnson's sister, undergoing tests
Don Fields	Trish Clark's brother, melanoma on his head
Jonathan Jenkins	Dan & Judie's son, recovering at home from accident
Frankie Lyons	Gwen Lyon's mother, diagnosed with vascular dementia
Juanita Morgan	Adelene Honore's sister, dealing with back and hip pain
Delores Sims	Jimmie Banks' mother, undergoing radiation treatments
Amy Wombough	Micky Affron's daughter, Wellington Reg., doing better

Remember Our Mission Works

Pacific Islands
Robert & Mary Martin
Wayne & Kristi Parker
Joey & Tammy Treat

Africa
Tamuka Arunashe
Nnanna Aforji

Montgomery, Alabama
Apologetics Press

Coral Springs, Florida
Mauricio Yegros

Bahamas
Tavaro & Shameika Hanna



Church Family Calendar of Events

Sunday, August 20

- ♦ **Leadership Training Course** at 5:00 p.m. in Adult 1-2. All members are welcome to attend this class.
- ♦ **Youth & Family Singing** after evening worship in the Family Room. Every member is invited to stay and sing for about 35 minutes.

Monday, August 21

- ♦ **No Monday Night Bible Study.** Class will resume after the parking lot construction has been completed.

Tuesday, August 22

- ♦ **No Tuesday Morning Bible Study.** Class will resume after the parking lot construction has been completed.

Saturday, August 26

- ♦ **PBL Ladies' Prayer Meeting** at 1:00 p.m. at the home of Mary Brown. See Maria Hackshaw for more details.

Sunday, August 27

- ♦ **PBL Family Photos Updated.** Please have your photo taken **after morning services or before evening services** by Mike Erickson in the Family Room.

Sunday, August 27 (cont.)

- ♦ **Leadership Training Course** at 5:00 p.m. in Adult 1-2. All members are welcome to attend this class.

Sunday, September 3

- ♦ **Deadline to Bring Gift Cards for Mount Dora Children's Home.** Please bring Wal-Mart or Wawa gift cards and place them in the box in the Lobby. They are not having a truck pick up items, so please do NOT bring supplies.
- ♦ **Leadership Training Course** at 5:00 p.m. in Adult 1-2. All members are welcome to attend this class.

Friday, September 8

- ♦ **Family Group 4 Meeting** at 6:30 p.m. at the home of Ally Alberga. Please bring a potluck dish. This is for all PBL members and families who live south of Southern Blvd.

Saturday, September 9

- ♦ **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.

Palm Beach Lakes church of Christ **Young Adults**

Saturday, September 2

- ♦ **Young Adult Devo** at 6:00 p.m. at the home of David & Traci Sproule. See Ivan Villard for details.

Friday, September 15

- ♦ **Ladies & Lattes** at 7:00 p.m. at the home of Reanna Lupo. All PBL women in Grades 9 and up are invited to fellowship and grow together in God's word. Coffee and tea will be provided. Please bring a dessert.

Saturday, September 16

- ♦ **Parenting Seminar with Wayne & Tami Roberts** from 9:00 a.m. until 3:30 p.m. All parents are encouraged to attend, especially those with young children.

Monday, September 18

- ♦ **Men's Meet** at 6:30 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.



Palm Beach Lakes **Youth**

Sunday, August 20

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

Sunday, August 27

- ♦ **Jr. High & Sr. High Devo** after evening worship at the home of Buzz & Kathy Nelson. See Robert Lupo for details.

Sunday, September 10

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

Friday, September 15

- ♦ **Ladies & Lattes** at 7:00 p.m. at the home of Reanna Lupo. All PBL women in Grades 9 and up are invited to fellowship and grow together in God's word. Coffee and tea will be provided. Please bring a dessert.



Sunday	Monday	Tuesday	Wednesday	Thursday	Friday	Saturday
					1	2 ☆ Young Adult Devo b Ashley Alfaro b Johnny Davis b Owen Miley b Jessica Ramirez b Nahum Villard
3 ☆ Deadline: Bring Gift Cards for Mount Dora Children's Home a Rick & Sherrie Tibbetts	4 a Gary & Doris Friedly b Marty Williams	5	6 b Derrick Banks	7 b Ariana Aristy b Bill Ingram, Jr. b Scott Lewis b Daniel Wagner	8 ☆ Family Group 4 Meeting b Trinity Franck b Verdell March	9 ☆ Widows & Widowers Luncheon b Jennifer Walker
10 ☆ Youth & Family Singing b Debi Watson	11 a Mario & Marcia Clough-Moss	12 b Darin Summerlot	13	14 b Josh Blackmer b Taylor Hayes	15 ☆ Ladies' & Lattes	16 ☆ Parenting Seminar with Wayne & Tami Roberts ☆ Ladies' Day hosted by Concord Street a Justilien & Adelene Honore b Peggy Hall
17 ☆ Morning Services with Wayne Roberts b Mike Ellis b Robert Lupo b Lisa Metzkes Sadie Myrie	18 ☆ Men's Meet b Marcia Kelley	19 b Justilien Honore	20	21	22 b Luann McLeod	23
				RUSH Weekend at FHU (September 21-24)		
24 ☆ Jr. High & Sr. High Devo a Johnny & Betty Davis b Sabrina Swayne	25 b Paul Davidson b Dan Fuller	26 b Betty Davis b Ophelia Holmes b Gary Jenkins b Vincent Rogers	27	28 b Graysen Hayes	29 b Angelica Fernandez	30 ☆ Congregational Door-Knocking in Perrine

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

Members **Traveling**
this week



Thank You
for worshipping with us

Sunday,
August 13

LOCAL VISITORS: Mr. Justin Cox; Ms. Gina Ellison; Mr. & Mrs. Ryan & Ola Hankins; Mrs. Janelle Howard; Mr. Justin Kelley, Jr.; Mr. Rai Masuda; Mr. Don McClintock; Mrs. Nikki O'Hanlon; Mrs. Liz Otero; Ms. Maleena Rodriguez; Ms. Lizzie Rozier; and Mr. & Mrs. Arpit & Swati Samson.

OUT-OF-TOWN VISITORS: Mr. & Mrs. Blake & Gina Bennett, Hutchison Island, FL; Miss Veronica Griffiths, Pembroke Pines, FL; Ms. Susan Hinrichs, Rockledge, FL; Mr. Andrew Jenkins, Melbourne, FL; Mr. Wilbert Marcolin, Miami, FL; Mr. Jean Claude Merilus, Miami, FL; Mr. & Mrs. Andrew & Denise Nee, Silver Spring, MD; Mr. & Mrs. Erick & Paola Noboa, Eustis, FL; Mr. & Mrs. Stephen & Cindy Shafor, Dorrr, MI; and Ms. Darlene Smith, Valdosta, GA.

Birthdays & Anniversaries *This Week*

Sunday, August 20th
Josiah Blackmer

Monday, August 21st
Josie Dawson
Bettye King

Tuesday, August 22nd
Nicole Freseman

Wednesday, August 23rd
Orlando & Lilly Lolo (Ann.)
Skye Brown
Vita Chery
Tom Garrison
Inell Ingram
Cristian Suarez

Thursday, August 24th
Sandi Hanna
Turkessa Staley



News & Notes

All members are invited to the Youth & Family Singing on Sunday, August 20 after evening worship in the Family Room. Singing will last for about 35 minutes.

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, August 20

Singing Robert Lupo
Opening Prayer Victor Colage
Scripture Reading Tim Cox
Singing
Lord's Supper Willie Smith
Contribution
Singing
Sermon
Singing
Closing Prayer Taylor Reeves

Serve at Table:

Douglas Alvarenga	John Patrick
Namdidie Ikon	Nicholas Pietro
Richard Kelley	Vincent Rogers
Steward Lynch	Nahum Villard
Tim Mahlbacher	Tyler Williams

Sunday Evening, August 20

Singing Stephen Beliech
Opening Prayer Tim Fry
Scripture Reading Robert Mariano
Singing
Lord's Supper Philip Porter
Contribution
Singing
Sermon
Singing
Closing Prayer Richard Watson

Serve at Table:

Silas Blafour Troy Alberga

Audio this week: Ricky Smith

Computer this week: Daniel Lord

Video this week: Todd Juckett

Wednesday Evening, August 23

Singing Daniel Wagner
Invitation Graysen Hayes
Family Prayer Ivan Villard

Our Record

Attendance	Aug. 13	July Avg
Sun. Bible Study	196	166
Sun. AM Worship	263	272
Sun. PM Worship	110	125
Wed. Bible Study	131	117
Contribution	\$15,952	\$16,412

2023 Weekly Budget: \$16,450

Y-T-D Contribution-to-Budget: \$14,204

Service Coordinator:
Mike Damron

Ushers for this week: Tom Garrison & Ricky Smith
Safety Team for this week: Seth Watson



Palm Beach Lakes CHURCH OF CHRIST

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*Speaking where the **Bible** speaks, Silent where the **Bible** is silent.*



Service Schedule

Sunday:

Bible Classes..... 9:00 a.m.

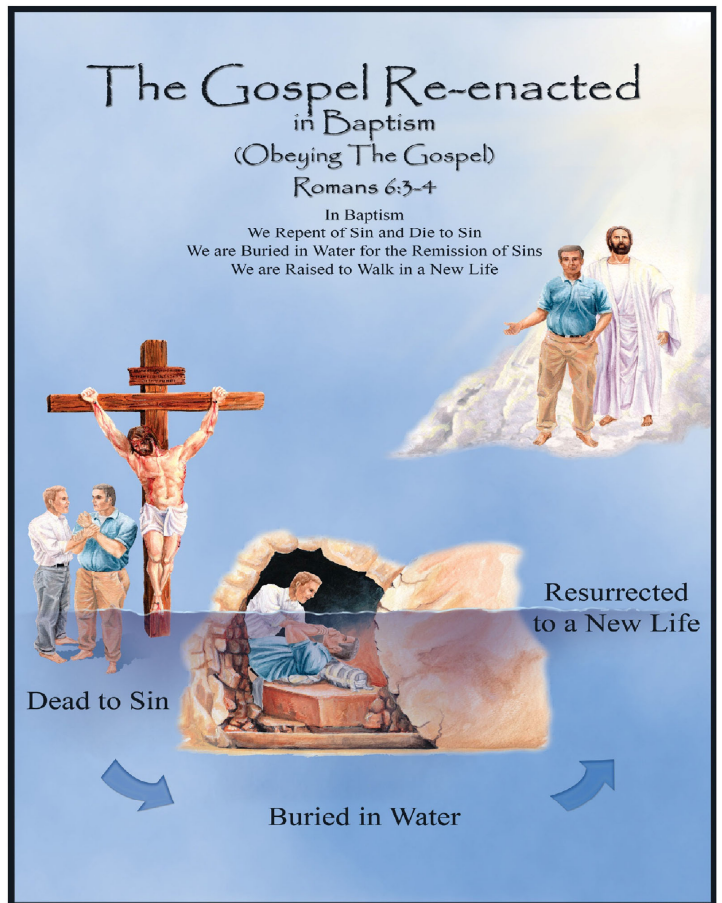
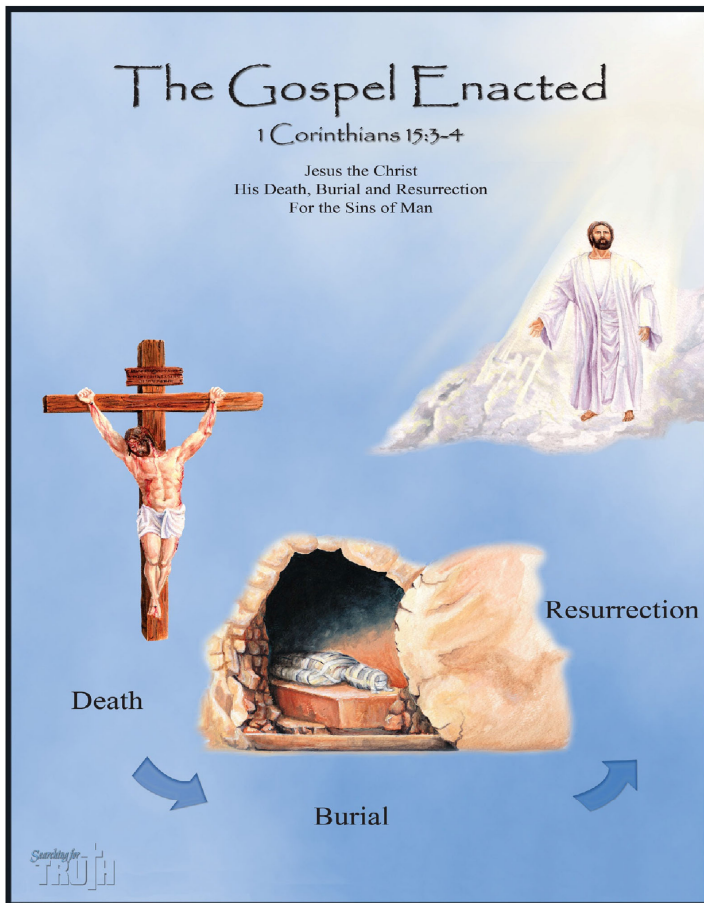
Worship 10:00 a.m.

Worship 6:00 p.m.

Wednesday:

Bible classes 7:00 p.m.

Front Cover: Rick & Peggy Hall



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