

Eisenhower Church of Christ

How to Be a Christian Only (Part 2)

Be a Member of the Church of Our Lord and Nothing Else

It is possible to obey the Gospel, genuinely become a child of God and then go off and “join something” unheard of in the bible, join an institution not founded by Christ, not wearing His name, nor worshiping according to His divine guidance. To do this is not to be a “Christian only.” God’s book, the Bible, is sufficient. The Lord’s church, the church of Christ, is enough. It is said: “It makes no difference what church one is a member of.” The Bible says that the church is the body of Christ (Colossians 1:18; Ephesian 1:22-23). Paul says there is only one body; the conclusion is there is only one church.

Have a “Thus Saith the Lord” for All We Do

If followed, this sacred principle would make it impossible for us to have in the public worship anything that is not authorized by our heavenly Father. There is something wrong with the man who is not satisfied to take just what the Bible has said. Our worship is to be one of faith (2 Corinthians 5:7). Without faith it is impossible to please God (Hebrews 11:6). Faith comes by hearing God’s Word (Romans 10:17). If we practice anything that we did not get from hearing and studying God’s Word, it is not of faith. Whatsoever is not of faith is sin (Romans 14:23). When sin is finished, it brings forth death (James 1:15).

A Final Thought

From these Scriptures we see that to be pleasing to God, we must have a “thus said the Lord” for all we do. Let us have no doctrine but that which is of Christ, no name but the name Christian, no creed but the New Testament, be a member of no church but that which belongs to Christ, and have a “thus saith the Lord” for all we do and say religiously. In this way, all men are privileged to be Christians only!

—Foy L. Smith

What the Resurrection of Jesus Means to Us

The greatest event in the history of mankind was the glorious resurrection of our Lord and Savior. There are four things that I can think of that the resurrection means to us. (I’m sure you can think of more.)

1. The resurrection teaches that Jesus truly was God. Jesus is the Word that exists with God and IS GOD!!! (See John 1).
2. The resurrection teaches us that we have a living Savior. There are many famous tombs in our world. Every world religion has one or more graves that mean a lot to that faith’s followers. But go to one of those graves and a follower of that faith will have to say: “Here lies the founder of our religion.” But go to the grave of Jesus Christ and you can still hear the voice of the angel

ringing in your ears: “He is not here. He is risen!” The resurrection is proof that death is not the end of life...but the beginning.

3. The resurrection is proof that we can become like Christ—right now on this earth. In fact, in Romans 6:1-5, Paul tells us that if we are united in a spiritual death like Jesus, we shall be resurrected to a new life—here on earth.

4. The resurrection calls us into a life of service. When Jesus arose from the grave He gave us the great commission... (Matthew 28:19-20)

“Go ye therefore, and teach all nations, baptizing them in the name of the Father and of the Son, and of the Holy Ghost: Teaching them to observe all things whatsoever I have commanded you: and, lo, I am with you always, even unto the end of the world. Amen”

—Larry Fitzgerald

Sympathy

Our sympathy goes out to the family of **Tim Garvin**. Tim passed from this life around 5:00 pm on Friday, April 2nd in Austin, TX after being removed from the ventilator. Due to the Covid virus, no funeral services were planned. Tim & Brenda lived in Waco.

Prayer Request

Caimee Anne Mooney is having issues with her stomach and had x-rays done at MCH last Monday. Keep Caimee in your prayers that her test will turn out well.

Bill Tate (Linda Tate) was taken to the ER at MCH last Monday because his hip popped out of place. It was put back into place and Bill able to go home on Wednesday. Please keep him in your prayers.

Barbie Martinez (a member of Eisenhower) is currently undergoing kidney dialysis due to the damage done to her kidneys from a medication she was taking. Barbie needs prayers.

Also, **Alex Martinez** (Barbie’s husband) is in need of prayers. He is suffering with some serious health issues of his own at this time.

Concerns Update

Cathy Eastwood was put on a heart monitor on April 5th which was earlier than previously scheduled. She is in of prayers that all will be okay.

Betty Branson had cataract eye surgery last Tuesday. Her surgery went well. She was able to get the patch removed on Wednesday. Keep Betty in your prayers that her eye heals quickly.

Prayer List

Maria Anaya; Wayne Anderson; Petra Baca; Betty Brooks; Bill & Mary Brown; Abessa Chavez; LaDonna Chism; Jon Cooper; Kim Drake; Andrew Durfee; Jazmine Duron; Dana Erwin; Tim Garvin; Hattie Gilmore; Irma Gomez; Paul Gunn; Cody Guynn; Doug Guynn; Opal Hager; Phil Halbert; Liz Leach; Mildred Lee; Betty Leeth; Miguel Lozano; Vanessa Machuca; Ora McAfee; Glenna McCarty; Charlene McFatter; Melissa Moore; Juan & Estella Morolez; Rudy Ochoa; Bruce & Trina Plyler; Jackie Rex; Corina Rodriguez; David Ryan; Diane Salinas; Gary Schwulst; Bill Tate;

Velma Tolbert; Marilyn Upshaw; Terresia Weaver; Luke Wells; Janet Wesson; Carolyn Wilkerson; Charles Wood; John Wood.

Eisenhower's Shut-ins

Roberta Hamil; Dusty and Kathy Marshall; Janelle Shirley and Marilyn Upshaw.

Youth

Bible Quiz Question ... (True or False)

God said He would blot out man, animals, creeping things and birds from the land, because He was sorry that He had made them.

Last Week's Bible Quiz Answer ...

He was afraid that the wheat would be uprooted along with the tares if done before harvest time. (Matthew 13:29)

Events Watch "*In Search of the Lord's Way*" Sunday mornings at 7:30 am on KWES TV 9.

Thank You

With my love and God's blessing to you all and for thinking of me. The lovely card and verses really made me feel good...made my day brothers and sisters. Got it on my dresser...look at it daily. God bless and keep you all safe in his care. I thank you very much and thank God for you all caring.

Love you in Christ, Hattie

Office News

Our second "**Singing Workshop**" with Myron Bruce is scheduled for April 24-25.

The New Mexico Christian Children's Home will be here June 2nd. They are requesting **Taco Seasoning Packets**. They also accept monetary donations.

Food for thought...

Today's trying times in about 20 years will be the good old days."

The things that count most in life are all the things that can't be counted.

A Morning Cloud

In the days of Hosea God took Israel to court, "Hear the word of the Lord, you people of Israel, for the Lord brings charge against the inhabitants of the land" (Hosea 4:1). God's charge against Israel was as modern as tomorrow's newscast. "There is no truth or mercy or knowledge of God in the land. "Does that sound like today's news to you?" Who will ever know the real truth on any matter? And why is no mercy shown to those of opposing views? Surely it is because there is no acknowledgement of God in the land.

Ask those involved in the sin and they will say, "I am righteous in the matter! (Or perhaps they will take the 5th)." But even there we are like ancient Israel who claimed innocence before God while worshiping idols (Hosea 4:17-18). God has a charge against that attitude also. "...For your faithfulness is like a morning cloud and like the early dew it goes away" (Hosea 6:4).

How is your faithfulness to God? Is it like the morning cloud that soon blows away? Is it like the dew that appears every morning and is gone with the sunrise? Is it “Sunday morning only?” When you stand before God’s judgment court what charge will He bring against you? “Be faithful until death,” He said.

—Alton Norman

April 11, 2021

A.M.

Announcements	Larry May
Song Leader	Oliver Hernandez
Sermon	Allen Weakland
Opening Prayer	Larry May
Scripture	Jr. Munoz
Second Prayer	Cody Wesson
Closing Prayer	Charles Wood

P.M.

Larry May
Jaxon Straw
Allen Weakland
Larry May
Jackie Perkins
Scot Straw
Richard Siler

Lords Supper

Scripture Reading: Josh Weakland

Bill Ryan
Communion
(In Library)

Other Responsibilities: *Elder:* Larry May 638-3990 – *Deacon:* Jr. Munoz 212-2231 – *Pulpit:* Jacob Carson 940-3775– *Table:* Bill Ryan 352-4871– *Song Leaders:* Larry May 638-3990– *Recording Sermons:* Tommy Garcia 312-5332 – *Collections:* Tommy Garcia

Sunday AM

“Walking in the Fear of God”
(Acts 9:31)

Sunday PM

“Preaching the Cross”
(I Corinthians 1:18)

Our Records

Bible Class – 51
Morning Worship 77
Evening Worship 40
Wednesday... 58
Contribution... \$4,362.60

