

Eisenhower Church of Christ

Do You Consider Jesus to Be Your Lord?

Jesus asked the question, “And why call ye me, Lord, Lord, and do not the things which I say?” Then He said, **“Whosoever cometh to me, and heareth my sayings and doeth them, I will shew you to whom he is like: He is like a man which built an house, and digged deep and laid the foundation on a rock: and when the flood arose, the stream beat vehemently upon that house and could not shake it; for it was founded upon a rock. But he that heareth and doeth not, is like a man that without a foundation built an house upon the earth; against which the stream did beat vehemently and immediately it fell; and the ruin of that house was great (Luke 6:46-49).”**

Do you call Jesus “Lord”? What is your attitude about doing the things which He says?

Teaching Christ’s doctrine, Paul wrote, **“And have no fellowship with the unfruitful works of darkness, but rather reprove them”** (Ephesians 5:11). Certainly, in reproving “the unfruitful works of darkness,” Christ’s disciple is to do so by “speaking the truth in love” (Ephesians 4:15). Christ has commanded that a Christian’s communication be, yea, yea; nay, nay: for whatsoever is more than that cometh of evil” (Matthew 5:37). In other words, as Adam Clark explains, “Do not equivocate; mean what you assert and adhere to your assertion.”

Often when this is done—and yes, done with the right attitude, in the right way and with the right motive—those being reprovved do not like it. They may angrily strike out and falsely accuse the faithful Christian of being “unkind,” unloving,” “unchristian” a “troublemaker” and *ad infinitum*. If this happens, the faithful Christian should ask with Paul, **“Am I therefore become your enemy, because I tell you the truth?”** (Galatians 4:16) According to 2 Thessalonians 2:10, some people do not love the truth and do not intend to do the Lord’s will. Concerning them, the Lord has instructed His disciples to, **“Let them alone; they be blind leaders of the blind. And if the blind lead the blind, both shall fall into the ditch”** (Matthew 15:14). This is the inspired guidance every Christian has, whether dealing with errant brethren or with those who are not Christians at all.

Much in the New Testament letters written to churches is written to reprove and correct the errors preached and practiced by the members of those churches. Today, there are local congregations of the church of Christ in and around Lubbock and throughout the land which have departed from their Scriptural moorings. They have failed to heed the warning: **“Therefore we ought to give the more earnest heed to the things which we have heard, lest at any time we should let them slip. For if the word spoken by angels was stedfast and every transgression and disobedience received a just recompence of reward; How shall we escape, if we neglect so great salvation; which at the first began to be spoken by the Lord and was confirmed unto us by them that heard him (Hebrews 2:1-3)**

Evidence that this is so is seen in those congregations now using instrumental music in their worship, those who now have women leading prayers, or leading singing or preaching or taking other leadership roles in their public worship services and it is seen in those congregations which fellowship those they ought not, or engage in practices and works they ought not.

Regrettably, such erring congregations are not only sinning by committing the errors they are, their errors are compounded by virtue of the fact that they are sinning by bringing reproach upon the

church as a whole. Their ungodly influence is leading many in the denominational churches and even members in churches of Christ, to mistakenly conclude that all churches of Christ now accept those things. Such erring brethren have no right to call Jesus their Lord because He is not their Lord—they are not doing what He says.

—Tommy J. Hicks

Prayer Request

Please keep **Bill Butler** in your prayers. He is scheduled to start on aggressive Chemo Therapy due to the spots on his lung and liver. Bill will have a port put in to administer the treatments.

Cathy Mooney had a CT Angiogram scheduled last week due to a failed stress test. We need to keep Cathy in our prayers that her test results will be favorable and the diagnosis is treatable.

Concerns Update

Patsy Mitchell's knee replacement surgery done on May 28th went well. She was able to go home that Friday. Let's keep her in our prayers that she will be well very soon.

Prayer List

Crissy Arroyo; Brian Basaldua; Harshad Bhavsar; Don Blackwell; Bill Brown; Bill Butler; Sylvia Campos; Ronald Dement; Bessie Diaz; Jazmine Duron; Dana Erwin; Hattie Gilmore; Anna Groves; Winford Hambright; Letha Hooper; Ora McAfee; Glenna McCarty; Patsy Mitchell; Melissa Moore; Juan & Estella Morolez; Juanita Orosco; Caydon Parker; ; Laisha Ramirez; Jackie Rex; Paisleigh Grace Shepherd; Charles & Susan Simmons; Reda Sowell; Velma Tolbert; Marilyn Upshaw; Robert Vargas; Beth Ann Warren; Everlee Ruth Wells; Lisa Wells; James & Janet Wesson; Jay Wesson; Conchida Williams; Sondie Williamson; John Wood.

Eisenhower's Shut-ins

Roberta Hamil; Dusty and Kathy Marshall; Janelle Shirley; and Lester Whisenant.

Remember to keep all of our sick, shut-ins, the bereaved, our military personnel and the spiritually weak in your daily prayers.

Youth

Bible Quiz Question...

True or False: The initial motivation for Paul to make a second missionary journey was to see the progress of the people who had become Christians during the first journey.

Last Week's Bible Quiz Answer...

Gideon asked God for a sign to show that He would save Israel. What Gideon asked was (b) a wet, then dry, fleece.

Events

Watch "*In Search of the Lord's Way*" every Sunday morning at 7:00 am on KWES TV 9, (New West 9)

Also, tune in to hear a message from the Brown Trail Church of Christ on the "**Speaking the Truth in Love**" program every Sunday at 8:00 a.m. on ABC.

Office News

BABY SHOWER: There will be a "**Baby Shower**" for Mirta Garcia on Sunday, June 23rd at 2:00 p.m. Her shower will be held in the Church Annex. Selections are at Target. All ladies are invited.

New Mailing Address: Please record their new mailing address in your “Church Directories”.

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The Narrow Way

Jesus preached that life is a series of choices. One of life’s most basic choices is between the broad and narrow ways. As Jesus said, *“The gate is wide and the way is broad that leads to destruction and many are those who enter by it. For the gate is small and the way is narrow that leads to life and few are those who find it”* (Matthew 7:13-14). Jesus did not pretend that the way of discipleship was an easy, painless way. He spoke of difficulty and hardship. There is an easy way, but it is the way of death, destruction and eternal separation from God!

Why did Jesus picture the path of Christianity as a narrow way? (1) **Because The Terms of Discipleship Are Narrow** (Matthew 7:21; 16:24). You can be born a Hindu, a Buddhist, a Moslem, a Jew, but you can’t be born a Christian. You must be reborn! (John 3:3). It takes a conscious decision...a choice...effort is required. Jesus demands explicit obedience (Luke 6:46; Hebrews 5:8-9). (2) **Because Truth is Narrow** (John 8:32). Truth cannot be broadened to accommodate error and still be truth! The truth is not elastic which can be stretched to suit everybody. When a mathematician solves an equation the correct answer—the “mathematical truth” - is necessarily narrow! When a pharmacist prepares a medicine he must narrowly follow the proper formula! By its very nature truth is restrictive; “...anyone who goes too far and does not abide in the teaching of Christ, does not have God.” (2 John 9) (3) **Because The Discipline of the Cross Is Narrow.** When Jesus prayed in Gethsemane the options available were narrow. To do the will of the Father He had to submit to the cross. The Christian life demands disciplined living from us as well (Titus 2:12).

We must choose either the broad way or the narrow way. The broad way may seem easy and inviting, the narrow way may seem hard and demanding. But in the end, the broad way is destruction; the narrow way is life!
— Bobby Dockery

June 9th, 2019

A.M.

P.M.

Announcements	Allen Weakland	Allen Weakland
Song Leader	Oliver Hernandez	Craig Wesson
Sermon	Allen Weakland	Allen Weakland
Opening Prayer	Allen Weakland	Allen Weakland
Scripture	George Warren	John Wood
Second Prayer	Charles Wood	Bill Brown
Closing Prayer	Bill Tolbert	Gary Loving

Lord's Supper

(Scripture Reading) Trinidad Wood

West...	Craig Wesson Jackie Perkins Bill Ryan	Cody Wesson Communion (In Library)
East	Richard Siler Tommy Garcia Jacob Carson	

Other Responsibilities: *Elder* : Allen Weakland 254-8209 *Deacon* :: Bill Ryan 352-4871 *Pulpit*; David Ryan 512-924-0983
Table: Cody Wesson 934-4646— *Song Leaders*: Larry May 638-3990 *Recording Sermons*; Scot Straw 288-4533 *Collections*: Scot Straw 288-4533

Sunday AM

"Gratitude"
(Luke 4:38-39)

Sunday PM

"Here Am I"
(1 Samuel 3:1-4)

Our Records

Bible Class... 67
Morning Worship...91
Evening Worship...60
Wednesday...NC
Contribution...\$4,272.00