

Eisenhower Church of Christ

Christ's Death, Burial, and Resurrection—And Ours

“What shall we say then? Are we to continue in sin that grace may abound? By no means! How can we who died to sin still live in it? Do you not know that all of us who have been baptized into Christ Jesus were baptized into his death? We were buried therefore with him by baptism into death, in order that, just as Christ was raised from the dead by the glory of the Father, we too might walk in newness of life” (Romans 6:1-4). At the heart and core of the Gospel are the Death, Burial and Resurrection of Jesus Christ (1 Corinthians 15:1-3). These events are the greatest expression of love and sacrifice ever known (Romans 5:6-8). Yet, these events also parallel the Christian's conversion and commitment to the Savior who died for them (2 Corinthians 5:14-15). Notice Christ's Death, Burial and Resurrection and ours.

Christ's Death and Mine. The Scriptures teach that Jesus died for sin (2 Corinthians 5:21; 1 Peter 2:24). He suffered in His physical body so that we do not have to face the spiritual penalty of sin (John 3:16; Isaiah 53:4). The agony, torment and pain He suffered was to free men from the slavery of sin (Romans 6:17). In parallel to that, the Christian dies to sin when he obeys the Gospel. Paul asked the rhetorical question, “How shall we who died to sin live any longer in it.” (Romans 6:2)? Of course, the answer is You Can Not. When I make the decision to obey the Gospel, I put to death my “members which are on the earth; fornication, uncleanness, passion, evil desire and covetousness, which is idolatry” (Colossians 3:5). When we repent of sin, we turn from it and turn to God (1 Thessalonians 1:9-10). At this point, I have reenacted Christ's death for sin by putting sin to death in my life.

Christ's Burial and Mine. As we read the story of Jesus' death, the Scriptures next emphasize His burial. Jesus prophesied that He would not only die but be buried in the grave for three days (Matthew 12:40). And the Scriptures record that is exactly what happened (Mark 15:42-47). With this event in mind. Paul now draws a parallel between Jesus' burial and ours when He says. “Therefore, we were buried with Him through baptism into death” (Romans 6:4). In fact, Paul would say it is at the point of our burial in water when we contact the saving death of Jesus Christ. Notice these words: “Or do you not know that as many of us as were baptized into Christ Jesus were baptized into His death? (Romans 6:3). Just as it was necessary for Christ to be buried in the earth to show His power over death, we must be buried with Him in water to contact His death that saves (Mark 16:16; 1 Peter 3:21; Acts 2:38). With this truth in mind, why would anyone ever want to deny the essentiality of baptism and its correlation to Jesus' death?

Christ's Resurrection and Mine. The climax of the Gospel story is found in Jesus' resurrection and ultimate victory over death. The Scriptures teach this is the point at which Jesus dealt the ultimate death blow to death itself and overcame its power over mankind (Hebrews 2:14-15). When Christ arose from the grave, He gave living proof to all men that He is the Resurrection and the life and whoever believes in Him will never really die (John 11:25). Just as Christ rose from the dead, the Christian also reenacts the resurrection in His obedience to the Gospel. The Holy Spirit says, “just as Christ was raised from the dead by the glory of the Father, even so, we also should walk in newness of life” (Romans 6:4). When one comes out of the water as a new creature (2 Corinthians 5:17) he now has a new outlook and a new purpose in life (Philippians 1:19-21). And, just as Jesus vanquished death through His resurrection, we have been set free from the bonds of sin and death by obeying the Gospel (Romans 6:17-18).

So, What/Now What? How wonderful it is that every person who has obeyed the Gospel is a living and breathing testament to the Death, Burial and Resurrection of our Lord and Savior Jesus Christ. Truly, we should let our light so shine before men that they may see our good works and glorify our Father who is in Heaven (Matthew 5:16). Like the Macedonians, may it be

said of us, “You are our epistle...known and read by all men” (2 Corinthians 3:2). Also, if you have not obeyed the Gospel then the Death, Burial, and Resurrection of our Lord has not become a part of your life yet, and you are still lost in sin (Romans 6:23). But the good news is you can do something about that today. Will you not submit to God’s will by dying to sin (Luke 13:3), being buried with Christ in baptism (Romans 6:1-4) and rising out of the watery grave victorious over sin and death with a new outlook on life? We hope and pray that each of us will treasure our Lord’s sacrifice by living in such a way that it brings honor to Him every day!

—Ben Bailey

Prayer Requests

Linda Tate was diagnosed with Covid almost two weeks ago. She had a very high temperature and felt very badly. Linda has slowly shown signs of improvement but will be quarantined until completely well for the protection of others. Please keep her in your prayers that she will get to feeling well soon.

Jon Easley had a blood transfusion last week. He is struggling with a low blood count and will be undergoing more testing to see what the cause is. Keep Jon in your prayers that the doctors find the cause.

Concerns Update

Daniel Eastwood’s leg surgery went well but he had to stay in the hospital to be treated for an infection in his leg. Daniel was released to go home on Wednesday evening.

Prayer List

Maria Baeza; Betty Branson; Mary Brown; Naomi and Adelynn Bustillos; Glenna Callendar; Arthur Campos; Sylvia Campos; Charlie Carson; LaDonna Chism; Carolyn Craig; James Drake; Cathy Eastwood; Daniel Eastwood; Aisha Garcia; Becky Gillespie; Hattie Gilmore; Paul Gunn; Doug Guynn; Lon & Lana Howard; Connie Jimenez; Shane Lester; Charles Lewis; Leigh Ann McFarland; Juan & Estella Morolez; Joe Morrison; Emma Ochoa; Bruce & Trina Plyler; Linda Straw; Bill Tate; Atasi Titlow; Marilyn Upshaw; Jurlean Warren; Terresia Weaver; Josh Wells; Carolyn Wilkerson; Ron Williams; Jefferson Wood; John Wood; Natalynn Wood.

Eisenhower’s Homebound...

Glenna Callendar; James & Joyce Drake; Ronda Lyne; Dusty and Kathy Marshall; Janelle Shirley & Marilyn Upshaw.

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

Events

Watch “*In Search of the Lord’s Way*” Sunday mornings at 7:30 am on KWES TV 9.

Office News

We will have a “**Potluck Luncheon**” on Sunday, August 27th after the morning service followed by our PM service. All our visitors are welcome to join us.

Our “**Fall Quarter**” starts on Sunday, September 3rd. We want to say, “thank you teachers”. Your dedication in teaching the Bible to our young children is so very much appreciated.

Attention Ladies: Nancy Easlon will be teaching the Wednesday night “**Ladies Class**” that meets in the library. You are invited to come join them as they began studying the book of Philippians. The class begins September 6th.

There will be a “**Deacon’s Meeting**” on Sunday, August 27th following the PM service.

Thoughts to remember ...

It is often wise to win by losing.

Expect what is reasonable not what is perfect.

A Fool

(According to Proverbs)

No one wants to be known as a fool. No one relishes the idea of being seen as someone who lacks judgment or prudence and is easily duped or swindled. Mankind has a strong desire to be seen as capable, intelligent and strong in the eyes of their peers.

However, what should be of greatest importance to us is being commended by God (2 Corinthians 10:18). What a life we would live if we sought to be seen as “wise” by God! The book of Proverbs was written in part to reveal to us what wisdom looks like.

Part of being wise is avoiding living like a fool (adapted from Ray Deck III).

1. **A fool is easily upset.** The vexation of a fool is known at once, but the prudent ignores an insult (Proverbs 12:16).
2. **A fool is irrational.** The simple believes everything, but the prudent gives thought to his steps (Proverbs 14:15).
3. **A fool hates his mother.** A wise son makes a glad father, but a foolish man despises his mother (Proverbs 15:20)
4. **A fool loves to talk, but hates to listen.** A fool takes no pleasure in understanding, but only in expressing his opinion (Proverbs 18:2).
5. **A fool starts fights.** A fool’s lips walk into a fight, and his mouth invites a beating (Proverbs 18:6).
6. **A fool is destructively self-reliant.** Whoever trusts in his own mind is a fool, but he who walks in wisdom will be delivered (Proverbs 28:26).
7. **A fool makes light of sin.** Doing wrong is like a joke to a fool, but wisdom is pleasure to a man of understanding (Proverbs 10:23).

Looking over this list, what changes do we need to make? According to this wisdom from Proverbs, would we be considered wise or foolish in the eyes of God?

—Burt Warren
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August 20, 2023

Announcements

Song Leader

Sermon

Opening Prayer

Scripture Reading

Second Prayer

Closing Prayer

A.M.

Larry May

Steve Easlon

Cody Wesson

Larry May

David Ryan

Oliver Hernandez

Scot Straw

P.M.

Larry May

Cody Wesson

Craig Wesson

Larry May

Richard Siler

Tommy Garcia

Trini Wood

Lords Supper

Jon Roemisch
Jr. Munoz
Richard Siler
Jeff Wesson

Jacob Carson
Communion
(In Library)

Other Responsibilities: *Elder:* Larry May 638-3990 *Deacon:* Jacob Carson 940-3775 — *Pulpit:* Craig Wesson 934-4633 — *Table:* Jacob Carson 940-3775 — *Song Leaders:* Cody Wesson 934-4646 — *Recording Sermons:* Cody Wesson — *Contributions:* Jacob Carson

Sunday AM

“Prayer” (1 Peter 5:7)

Sunday PM

“Great Faith” (Matthew 15:21-28)

Our Records

Bible Class... 71

Morning Worship... 98

Evening Worship ... 78

Wednesday... 89

Contribution... \$4,536.25