

Eisenhower Church of Christ

They Shall All be Taught

Jesus said unto him, I am the way, and the truth, and the life: no one cometh unto the Father, but by me” (John 14:6). “No man can come to Me, except the Father that sent Me draw him: and I will raise him up in the last day. It is written in the Prophets. And they shall all be taught of God. Every one that hath heard from the Father, and hath learned, cometh unto me” (John 6:44-45).

The primary object of all Bible teaching is to bring individuals into an acceptable relationship with God so that they can attain immortality in the eternal kingdom of God. Christ, the divine and only begotten Son of God, came from Heaven as the expression of God’s greatest gift of love, that He might be our savior. He can be our savior, only if we first come unto him. Jesus said we must have heard from the Father and have learned, before we can come unto him.

The one thing that stands between our soul’s eternal salvation, or eternal destruction, is proper teaching. Every Bible teacher, whether for the very young, or those older, should keep this important fact in mind. Our teaching can make the difference. Souls will spend eternity with God as a result of what we have taught. Some souls may languish in eternal hell as a result of our mishandling of this important responsibility.

Please notice the steps involved in being saved. Jesus taught that no one can come unto God, but by (through) Him. Yet, no one can come to Christ except the Father draws him. How does God draw us unto His son? Through the gospel. This is the power of God unto salvation (Romans 1:16). The gospel message must be effectively and correctly taught in order for souls to come unto Christ. Then in coming unto Christ in devoted and faithful obedience and remaining faithful throughout life, Jesus said He would raise us up in the last day. Of course, this will be the “resurrection of life” mentioned in John 5:29).

In John 6 we have the record of Jesus feeding the multitude by miraculously providing sufficient bread from the five barley loaves and fish from two fishes, with twelve baskets of fragments left over after they had eaten. Then Jesus developed the idea that he was the true bread of life, and that as their fathers are the manna in the wilderness, which God miraculously provided, they should desire to eat His flesh and live forever. Metaphorically, he taught the necessity of eating spiritual food to give us life, just as the body requires material food to live.

The dedicated Bible teacher will inquire concerning that which is important and necessary for spiritual food, as he reads the Bible and prepares his Bible lessons. What does the student really need, which will help him grow stronger? Selection of Bible lessons or a course of study should not be determined by teacher preference, or what the class most enjoys. We need to try to analyze the most basic and urgent needs, and then provide accordingly.

No one can expect to enter Heaven who has not first been correctly taught those things found in the Word of God. Let us strive continually to bring forth rich treasures that will draw human hearts closer to God, and that will deepen their faith and increase their love for God and man. ***“The Lord is...not wishing that any should perish, but that all should come to repentance”*** (2 Peter 3:9). When Jesus proclaimed the great commission to His apostles, He made it clear that “all should be taught,” for He said for them to, ***“Go ye into all the world, and preach the gospel to the whole creation”*** (Mark

16:15). Let us never forget that He also said, “...and lo, I am with you always, even unto the end of the world” (Matthew 28:20). What a great and wonderful day that will be, for those teachers who have faithfully discharged their duty of teaching, helping others to learn, and then come unto Christ, so that they can then come to the Father!

—Warder K. Novak

Baptism

We have a new sister in Christ. Ubaldo Herrera had the privilege of assisting **Delia Saragosa** become a child of God last Sunday morning. Delia made the good confession and then Ubaldo baptized her into Christ. Let’s give Delia a warm welcome into the body of Christ.

Prayer Request

Nolan Wells (Josh & Lindsey’s son) lost control of his bike and landed on his arm last Saturday. Nolan had an appointment to see an orthopedic doctor on Friday, December 8th.

Prayers have been requested for Caleb’s mother, **Teresa York**. She is really sick and there is a possibility it may be a kidney related problem. Please keep Teresa in your prayers that she will get the correct treatment so she can be well again.

Terresia Weaver has bronchitis and is in need of prayers to get well soon.

Continue to keep **Mary Anchondo, Glenna Calendar, LaDonna Chism, James and Joyce Drake, Doug Guynn, Leigh Ann McFarland** and **Wilene Wright** in your daily prayers as they all are struggling with different health issues at this time.

Concerns Update

Julie Munoz was able to be at worship service last Sunday. She has completed her rehab and doing very well.

Prayer List

David Alaniz; Mary Anchondo; Maria Baeza; Irene Balerio; Ameer Blumenauer; Betty Branson; Mary Brown; Naomi and Adelynn Bustillos; Glenna Callendar; Arthur Campos; Sylvia Campos; LaDonna Chism; James Drake; Jon Easley; Cathy Eastwood; Daniel Eastwood; Hattie Gilmore; Paul Gunn; Doug Guynn; Brent Harrell; Lon & Lana Howard; Connie Jimenez; Vanessa Machuca; Leigh Ann McFarland; Keith Mitchell; Milous Mitchell; Juan & Estella Morolez; Inocencio Munoz, Sr; Julie Munoz; Bruce Plyler; K’ Lynn Roberts; Linda Straw; Marilyn Upshaw; Terresia Weaver; Lindsey Wells; Carolyn Wilkerson; John Wood; Wilene Wright.

Eisenhower’s Homebound....

Glenna Callendar; James & Joyce Drake; Kathy Marshall; Janelle Shirley & Marilyn Upshaw. Remember to keep all of our sick, shut-ins, the bereaved, our military personnel and 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...

For the Ladies: We will be assembling “**Holiday Cookie Gift Bags**” for our elderly members on Saturday, December 16th at 10:00 a.m. in the Annex. Please stop by the bulletin board to sign up for what cookie or cookies you would like to bring for the bags.

“December Attended Nursery”

12/10 Janis & Emma
12/17 Sonia & Jaque
12/24 Julie & Gloria
12/31 Robbie & Jeanette

Food for Thought

Blessed, are those who give without remembering. And, blessed are those who take without forgetting.

“The Gospel Is For All”

The following words were penned by the chairman of Faulkner University’s Bible Department, Brother Cecil May. I hope you agree with his thoughts. I’m sure God does!

J. M. McCaleb, a gospel preacher who went to Japan as a missionary in 1892, in 1921 wrote the song, “The Gospel Is For All.” It contains the stanza...

“Say not the heathen are at home.
Beyond we have no call.
For why should we be blessed alone?
The gospel is for all.”

When I sing that, I am reminded of the story of the congregational usher taking up a special contribution for missions. One member refused to give, hissing at the usher, “I don’t believe in mission work.” The usher pushed the plate back toward him and said, “Then take some; its *fer* the heathen!”

The song also contains the sober line, “*Unless they hear they cannot live.*” That is a biblical truth. Jesus said, “*I am the way, the truth and the life, No one comes to the Father except through me*” (John 14:6). All must hear the good news of what Christ has done, believe it and act upon it in order to be saved (Romans 10). Many did not believe that in J. M. McCaleb’s day, but he did. He not only wrote about it, he lived by it. That is why he spent his life in Japan. Unfortunately, many do not believe it today. If we believe it, we will take the great commission seriously. If we do not, perhaps we are among the heathen who need to be converted.

--Cecil May. Tuscumbia, AL

December 10, 2023

Announcements
Song Leader
Sermon
Opening Prayer
Scripture Reading
Second Prayer
Closing Prayer

A.M.

Larry May
Oliver Hernandez
Allen Weakland
Larry May
Jr. Munoz
Gary Loving
Caleb York

P.M.

Larry May
Craig Wesson
Allen Weakland
Larry May
David Baldwin
Bill Ryan
Cody Wesson

Lord’s Supper

Cody Wesson
Travis Ruckman
Jeff Wesson
Bill Ryan

Jacob Carson
Communion
(In Library)

Other Responsibilities: *Elder:* Larry May 638-3990 — *Deacon:* John Wood 413-7444—*Pulpit:* David Ryan 512-924-0983—*Table:* Jacob Carson 940-3775 — *Song Leaders:* Cody Wesson 934-4646 —
Recording Sermons: Steve Easlon 260-9716— *Contributions:* Jacob Carson

Sunday AM

“Good Marriages Exemplify Christian Character” (Matthew 19:1-6)

Sunday PM

“Keeping Another from Sinning” (I Samuel 25:32-33)

Our Records

Bible Class... 65

Morning Worship...100

Evening Worship ... NC

Wednesday...71

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