

**THOSE TO SERVE
WEEK OF AUGUST 28, 2011**

Announcements	Ron Brown
Greeters	C. & P. Allen
	H. & V. Robinson
	J. & J. Whitson

MORNING WORSHIP

Song Leader	Jonothan Whitson
First Prayer	Deuel White
Sermon	David Dalton
Closing Prayer	Jordan Rothfus

**SERVE AT TABLE MORNING
NORTH SOUTH**

Jay Whitson	Jordan Rothfus
Andy Cobb	David Allen
Jeff Allen	Ricky Davis
Brent Robinson	Steve Carroll

EVENING WORSHIP

Song Leader	Andy Cobb
First Prayer	Jeff Sparkman
Sermon	David Dalton
Closing Prayer	Jeff Allen

SERVE AT TABLE EVENING

Ricky Davis	Jonothan Whitson
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**WEDNESDAY BIBLE STUDY
AUGUST 31, 2011**

Song Leader	Bobby Rothfus
First Prayer	Jere Whitson
Scripture Reading	Josh Knight
Devotional Talk	Ricky Davis
Closing Prayer	Derek Robinson

**REMEMBER:
GOSPEL MEETING
OCTOBER 23-28, 2011
James Watkins, speaker**

**MEETING TIMES:
SUNDAY**

Bible Study9:00 A.M.
Morning Worship.....10:00 A.M.
Evening Bible Study.....5:25 P.M.
Evening Worship.....6:00 P.M.

WEDNESDAY

Bible Study.....7:00 P.M.
Ladies Bible Class10:00 A.M.
(September - May)

GOSPEL BROADCAST SUPPORTED
James Watkins, Sunday 7:30 AM – Ch.11

GOSPEL BROADCAST RECOMMENDED
Search, Sunday - 7:00 AM – UPN
Steve Bowman, Sunday - 7:15AM–1400AM

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JESUS CHRIST – MAN'S HOPE #5 Jesus' Great Gifts To Man

Jesus is the world's hope because of what He has done for man. Romans 5:8, 9 says, “But God commendeth his love toward us, in that, while we were yet sinners, Christ died for us. Much more then, being now justified by his blood, we shall be saved from wrath through him.” Jesus came into the world to redeem condemned man (John 3:17). In the process of redeeming man, Jesus made many things possible for man.

Jesus brought into the world the very last covenant that God would ever make with man. The prophet Daniel had proclaimed that God would establish an eternal kingdom (Daniel 2:44). This is exactly what Jesus did. He established a kingdom and brought men into it (Colossians 1:13). He will take that same kingdom and return it to the Heavenly Father at the judgment where it will exist as an eternal kingdom (1 Corinthians 15:24). In this way, Jesus became the author and finisher of our faith (Hebrews 12:1, 2) as He authored eternal salvation for all those who are obedient to His will (Hebrews 5:8, 9).

Jesus brought to man the possibility of a complete pardon from sin.

Jesus declared this pardon upon those who would believe and be baptized (Mark 16:15, 15). Jesus' pardon was provided for all nations (Luke 24:47). This pardon was included in a promise that was for Jews and Gentiles and was for people that were living then and all future generations (Acts 2:39).

Jesus brought to man a way of having a purged or clean conscience. God created man with a conscience. Man's conscience, when properly taught, would guide man in the way that he should go. When man sins, his properly taught conscience will remind him of the consequences of sins until the man either repents or hardens his conscience (1 Timothy 4:2). Jesus' sacrifice for sin was so sufficient that those who come to him to be purged of sin will have no continuing conscience of sins (Hebrews 10:2).

Jesus brought to man an new covenant from God (Hebrews 1:1-3). This covenant is not like the Old Testament covenant, but was a covenant of hope. The change in the covenants of God had been prophesied by such prophets as Jeremiah (Jeremiah 31:31-33). This covenant did not just promise a coming hope, but it provided the reality of the hope of the forgiveness of sins and the unseen hope of eternal life (Romans 8:24,25).

Jesus brought God to live in the presence of man (Matthew 1:23). Jesus, by coming to earth, provided man with the opportunity to experience God in the flesh. Jesus, as the Word, lived with God from eternity. Jesus was eternally existent with God (John 1:1, 2). Jesus became man and came to the earth as flesh (John 1:14 and Philippians 2:6, 7). By living as man, Jesus provided a perfect example for man to follow His every step (1 Peter 2:21).

Jesus brought to man life and immortality. Jesus told the disciples, "I am come that they might have life, and that they might have it more abundantly" (John 10:10). No man or spirit being could give life except God who created life in the beginning of time (Genesis 2:7). Jesus came that man might not only have the physical life, but that he might become immortal and live forever with God. Jesus therefore brought life and immortality to be known by the gospel (2 Timothy 1:9, 10). Jesus destroyed the power of the devil to bring death or separation from God upon all men (Hebrews 2:14-16). Men that would carefully consider Jesus' teaching and obey His commandments could be saved to eternal life (Hebrews 5:8, 9 and Mark 16:15, 15). Immortality and life became possible because Jesus provided for man's resurrection to life (John 5:28, 29).

Jesus provided transformation for man. He provided for a transformation for man to move from the kingdom of Satan to the kingdom of God (Colossians 1:13). This change was made possible because man's sins could be completely removed by the blood of Christ (Act 20:28). Man could stay in this changed state because of the continual cleansing of the blood of Christ (1 John 1:7-10). In this

provision, Jesus also provides for the eternal transformation of man at His coming in the judgment. He has made provision that our corruptible bodies might become incorruptible (1 Corinthians 15:51-53).

Jesus provided man with victory. When the changes of immortality occur and the body becomes incorruptible, obedient man will have the final victory (1 Corinthians 15:57).

If one desires to have the great provisions that are found in Jesus Christ, they must be in Jesus Christ. Each and every spiritual blessing, including the ones listed here, are found only inside of Jesus Christ (Ephesians 1:3). To get into Christ, one must believe or have faith in the teaching of Christ and be baptized into Him (Galatians 3:26, 27). Each one should consider the great provisions Jesus has made available and then he should consider the cost of not having them!
D. Dalton

NEWS: Ladies Class will begin on September 7th in the multi-purpose room at 10:00 a.m. The class will continue with the booklet "Graces and Responsibilities of Christian Women", lesson 11. All ladies are invited to attend.

NOTE OF THANKS: Thank you for all the prayers, calls, cards, food and visits during my recovery. I appreciate each of you and especially for your kindness toward me. Love, Jane Wilmoth.

Web Site: Our new web site is off to a great start. Gary reports there have been 579 visits from over the United States including some from China and Czech Republic.

NEW ADDRESS: Listed below is the new address for Jonathan and Marla if you would like to drop them a note.

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547 Crook St., Apt #3
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SICK: Prayers are requested for Johnny Robertson, our missionary in Virginia, who recently had surgery for colon cancer.

Mylee Brunett (granddaughter of Joe and Debbie Peek) will have outpatient surgery to correct a kidney problem on September 14th.

Please remember in prayer Evelyn Ward, the sister-in-law of Benton Loftis, who is suffering from kidney failure.

Kevin Wagner has ask prayers for his dad who is waiting to be transferred to a nursing home from CRMC.

Continue to remember and pray for Jewell Hunter, Willie Belle Snell, Francis Davis, Nan Young, Arlene and Jasper Birdwell, Reba Johnson, Susan Scarlett, Juanita Grider, Kay Mires, Doris Whitaker, and Bob Spurlin.

PANTRY ITEM FOR THIS WEEK
Jello
