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Sunday 9:30a, 10:30a, 6:00p
Tuesday 10:30a
Wednesday 6:30p

Wednesday Benevolence 8:30a

March 11, 2018

The Perfect Church

by Dan Jenkins

Those who look at the world through the eyes of faith see the world so differently from those who look at it through the eyes of unbelief. Believers look at the heavens and the firmament and see a universe which declares the existence and the glory of God in every language spoken on the earth (Psa. 19:1-3). Unbelievers look at this evidence and never even think about God. The eyes of those who walk by faith (2 Cor. 5:7) and those who walk by the flesh definitely see two different worlds.

Look at first-century churches using eyes of faith. Most churches were despised and persecuted so much that they often had to meet in secret. James described these churches so graphically when he asked, "Has God not chosen the poor of this world to be rich in faith and heirs of the kingdom which He promised to those who love Him" (Jas. 2:5)? However, there was one church in the first century which was so blessed financially that they did not suffer this way.

Most churches in the first century were the focus of hate from the enemies around them. There was persecution from the pagans. There was even more persecution which came from the synagogues which saw the church as being a great threat to Judaism. However, there was one church who, judging by what is described in the epistle written to them, was not the object of such hate and its attendant opposition.

The suffering of Jewish Christians was especially intense. The book of Hebrews described the reaction of the church to this suffering. "For you had compassion on me in my chains, and joyfully accepted the plundering of your goods, knowing that you have a better and an enduring possession for yourselves in heaven" (Heb. 10:34). However, there was one church who did not lose its possessions and remained prosperous.

Had you lived in the first century, which of these churches would you like to be the place where you worshiped and served God? A church which endured persecution and were poverty stricken or one which did not have to meet in secret? A church where there was persecution and poverty or one which had none?

Before you answer, let me tell you that the church which did not meet secretly, was not persecuted and retained its possession was the church at Laodicea. The same one which Jesus was about to vomit out of his body! The church in Laodicea saw themselves as "rich. . . wealthy and have need of nothing" (Rev. 3:18). Think about it. How did Jesus see that church? He saw Himself standing outside of it, knocking at the door, wanting? That "perfect" church had everything, except Jesus!

**Christ's Passion (Part 1)
His PURPOSE**

Philippians 2:5-8

“Have this attitude in yourselves which was also in Christ Jesus, who, although He existed in the form of God, did not regard equality with God a thing to be grasped, but emptied Himself, taking the form of a bond servant, and being made in the likeness of men. Being found in appearance as a man, He humbled Himself by becoming obedient to the point of death, even death on a cross.”

1. His Purpose was P _____

2. His Purpose was P _____

3. His Purpose was P _____

Noah's Flood and Us

Genesis 6:5-8

“Then the Lord saw that the wickedness of man was great on the earth, and that every intent of the thoughts of his heart was only evil continually. The Lord was sorry that He had made man on the earth, and He was grieved in His heart. The Lord said, ‘I will blot out man whom I have created from the face of the land, from man to animals to creeping things and to birds of the sky; for I am sorry that I have made them.’ But Noah found favor in the eyes of the Lord.”

1. The P _____

2. The P _____

3. The P _____



<p>Weekly Service @ TriSun</p> <p>Every Sunday @ 8:30 AM</p>	<p>SENIOR'S YOUNG AT HEART</p> <p>MEETS EVERY TUES. @ 10:30AM</p>	<p>Lads 2 Leaders Convention March 30-31</p> <p>Bible Bowl Song Leading Oral Speech & more...</p>	<p>Habitat for Humanity</p> <p>coming up Sat. 5/2</p>
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WesthillWORKS! Leadership

Community Outreach
Benevolence Program
Habitat for Humanity
Food for Fitness

Local Missions
Cherokee Children's Home
In Search of the Lord's Way
Southwest School of Preaching
Brown Trail Spanish School of Preaching
The Truth in Love *ttil.tv*
WVBS Online School
school.wvbs.org
La Poynor Prison Ministry
(Steve & Carrie Handley)

Foreign Missions
India Preacher Training Program
New Zealand Harvest Missions

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Micah Haden - 903.673.1177
Michael Jones - 214.803.5984
Greg Olsen - 903.654.1406
James Olsen - 903.874.8918
Rusty Owens - 903.695.0095
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Staff

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Prayer List

Paul Slaughter's condition is better and he is expected to return from the hospital.

James Welch is continuing to recover well from his heart stent procedure performed last Monday.

Veran Barrett is scheduled for outpatient surgery on 3/21 to repair some veins in her leg.

Continue to Remember: Don Bowen, Aline Barrett, Wanda Horner, Sylvia Cockerham, Billie Thomas, John Sehon, Mary Crews, Darlene Cooke, Dianne Stewart, Hector Magana, & the McDougald Family

Announcements

We rejoice with our **new sister in Christ, Irene Smith**, who was baptized Thursday! Please be sure to encourage and pray for her.

We are very excited that **Danny & Christina, Brooks, & Esther Driskell** have placed their workmanship with our Westhill Family!

Lads 2 Leaders practice for Bible Bowl today at 5pm.

Save the Date: Couples' Seminar - 4/28

Save the Date: Habitat for Humanity - 5/5

Save the Date: WOW Ladies Retreat!

October 26-27, 2018

Summers Mill, Salado, TX

Speaker: Martha Lair of Bear Valley Church of Christ

Dear Brothers & Sisters- We want to take this opportunity to thank you for all of the love and kindness that you have showered upon us over the last few years and months. Your cards, visits, calls and gifts have been so appreciated. They have carried us through so many emotional ups and downs. Thank you for always remembering us and letting us know that we were in your thoughts and prayers.

-With Love, The McDougald Family

Birthdays This Week

March 10 - Ellie Stewart & Colton Stewart

March 14 - Pat Ellis & Percell Milton

March 15 - Janice Elder

March 17 - Seth Haden

Next Week:

Bible Class *The Life of the Apostle Paul*

AM Sermon

PM Sermon

Records for March 4, 2018

Bible Class	262
AM Worship.....	270
PM Worship.....	136
Wednesday.....	166
Contribution	\$8,895.05

Military: Samantha Armstrong, Clay Bayes, Blake Barrett, Jason Book, Alston Compton, David Dilbeck, Robert Johnson, Ryan Payne, Douglas Ramsey, & Ryan Stewart

Privileged to Serve

Song Leader	James Horn
Opening Prayer	Billy Roughton
Communion Leader	Paul Ross
Communion Servers	
Joe Glass	Mark McWherter
Larry Rowden	Frizell Henry
Luke Baumgartner	Paul Stewart
Isaac Haden	Jim Haden
Greg Olsen	James Olsen
Jose Sosa	Jose Sosa Jr.
Phil Pillans	
Scripture Reading	Rusty Owens
Closing Prayer	Jim Milam
Nursery	Tina Roughton & Kailey Kinkade
PM Song Leader	Justin Mahoney
PM Opening Prayer	James Horn
PM Closing Prayer	Brent Stewart
Wed. Song Leader	Nicholas Tooley
Wed. Invitation	Darwin Thomas
March Contact Elder	Don Ivy