

\_\_\_\_ Walk and Work Together in the Light

Are You Sure You're Saved?

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The letter of 1 John is about, "These things I have written to you who believe in the name of the Son of God, that you may know that you have eternal life, and that you may continue to believe in the name of the Son of God" (1 John 5:13, NKJV). Notice that this is a letter written "to those who believe" and not a manual for non-Christians on how to become saved.

The Christians of 1 John were dealing with the departure of some from their assembly, whom John calls "antichrists" (1 John 2:18–19). These people denied the Father and the Son by rejecting that Jesus was the Christ (1 John 2:22) and could no longer remain harmonious with the faithful. Consequently, these events seem to have shaken the confidence of the remaining faithful Christians.

In his letter, John lays out a series of assessments to evaluate our salvation and build confidence in our standing before God. Some of these assessments include: (1) do we walk in the light as he is in the light (1:6–7)? (2) do we confess/acknowledge our sins (1:8–10)? (3) do we keep his commandments (2:3–4)? This continues throughout the book, with at least ten or more total.

If you are struggling to have confidence in your salvation, I encourage you to take the time this week and read through 1 John. List the faith assessments that John provides and answer the questions for yourselves: Do you really walk in the light? Do you confess your sins? Do you have love for God? Answering these questions should help us assess whether we are walking faithfully with God. If we find that we are, then we can indeed have confidence before God. But if we don't line up with the standard, then perhaps we need to make some changes. Either way, I hope that you will spend some time this week in 1 John and assess your confidence and faith before God.

Sunday: Worship 10:30am & Class 5:00pm
Tuesday: Benevolence 9:00–10:00am & Young at Heart Class 10:30am
Wednesday: Class 6:30pm

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## "I'm Not Qualified to Let my Light Shine" Matthew 5

### There are some crazy impossible job requirements for some job opportunities

#### Matthew 5:14-16

"You are the light of the world. A city set on a hill cannot be hidden; nor does *anyone* light a lamp and put it under a basket, but on the lampstand, and it gives light to all who are in the house. Let your light shine before men in such a way that they may see your good works, and glorify your Father who is in heaven."

# If we are not careful, we may think that we have to fulfill some crazy job requirements in order to shine the light

•	This thought causes	
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•	This thought causes	

#### Here is what Jesus is looking for

•	Those who are	-
•	Those who are	
•	Those who don't consider	Overly
•	Those who want something	
•	Those who are	for others
•	Those who desire to be	
•	Those who havewho want to	
•	Those who are	_

#### "No estoy calificado para que mi luz brille" Mateo 5

### Existen requisitos increíblemente imposibles para algunas oportunidades laborales.

#### Mateo 5:14-16

"Ustedes son la luz del mundo. Una ciudad situada sobre un monte no se puede esconder; ni se enciende una lámpara y se pone debajo de un almud, sino sobre el candelero, y alumbra a todos los que están en casa. Así alumbre su luz delante de los hombres, para que vean sus buenas obras y glorifiquen a su Padre que está en los cielos."

#### Si no tenemos cuidado, podemos pensar que tenemos que cumplir con requisitos laborales descabellados para brillar.

• Este pensamiento causa

•	Este pensamiento causa
Esto e	es lo que Jesús busca:
•	A los que les
•	A los que están
•	A los que no consideran demasiado
•	A los que desean algo
•	A los que se por los demás.
•	A los que desean ser
•	A los que tienen, pero quieren

A los que sufren \_\_\_\_\_





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#### **Community Outreach**

Addiction Recovery Counseling Benevolence Program

Food for Fitness Forever His Wed. Night Focus Groups Spanish ESL Classes

#### **Local Missions**

Apologetics Press - Jeremy Pate Bear Valley - Wayne Jones Cherokee Children's Home Disaster Relief The Jenkins Institute Memphis School of Preaching WVBS school.wvbs.org

#### **U.S. Mission Points** Tilton, NH & Mesa, AZ **Foreign Missions Cameroon Preacher Training**

**India Preacher Training** 

### **Prayer Needs:**

**Steve Gaines** – Recovering from a stroke; awaiting cardiology evaluation.

**Carl Max Bennett** – Continues chemotherapy at Medical City.

James Olsen's S-I-L (Judy) – Awaiting biopsy results (Keller, TX).

**Teresa Thomas' mother** – Receiving treatment for heart and leg issues in Waxahachie Baylor.

Martha Dowdle – Improving on medication.

**Millard Dowdle** – Progressing with leg blood clot treatment.

Carol Barham – Outpatient foot surgery scheduled Wed. 10/22.

**Courtney Murphy** – Repented of sin; seeking prayers.

**Don Ewing** – Working to grow closer to Christ; seeking prayers.

**The Ramirez Family** – Mourning the loss of Dianna's cousin, Jamie Yanez.

**Darwin Thomas Family** – Passing away of cousin Norman Thomas; funeral Mon, 10:00 a.m., Maybank Church of Christ.

Continue to remember: Bronny & Ruth Watson, Dan & Rita Dominy, Eula Henry, John Braly, Louie & Patty Williams, Nick Tooley, Bill & Beverly Abercrombie, Alan Stewart, Mike Wylie, Larry Hartsell, Beverly Heathcote, & David Mahoney

### **Announcements:**

**Singing to the Shut-ins** - Tonight meet in the Family Room after evening service.

**Trunk or Treat -** Fri. 10/31 - sign-up on back table

Forever His Special Needs Day Camp - Sat. 11/1

**Clothing Exchange/Giveaway** - The fall Clothing Exchange/Giveaway date will be announced soon.

**Save the Date!** Join us for the WOW Ladies' Retreat — Jan. 30–31, 2026! Theme: "You Can Do Hard Things" with our own Lindsay Olsen. Registration Opens: Nov. 2

Unity Service - Coming up 11/16

English Second Language Classes (ESL)-3rd & 4th Wed. Nights of each month @6:30pm.

Spanish Bible Classes Sun & Wed. Night.

Young at Heart Class meets on Tues. @ 10:30am.

Westhill ARC (Addiction Recovery Counseling) meets weekly - contact Jay Mahoney

**Staffed nursery** available for babies up to 2 yr old. **Nursery Attendant** this week: **Afton Mahoney** 

#### This Week's Birthdays

October 19 - Carl Max Bennett

October 20 - Addie Nors

October 21 - Christie Beamon & Carter Grant

October 22 - Zoe Ramirez October 24 - Caleb Jackson

#### Records for October 12, 2025

AM Worship	252
Contribution	\$9,835

#### **Visitor Form**

Thank you for joining us for worship! We would love to follow-up with you...



### Privileged to Serve

AM Song Leader AM Opening Prayer Scripture Reading Communion Leader Communion Servers

Jason Burnett Marcus Dancer Colton Gowan Levi Haden Thomas Helms

**AM Closing Prayer** 

PM Song Leader PM Opening Prayer PM Devo PM Closing Prayer

Wed. Song Leader Wed. Invitation

Oct. Worship Coord.
Oct. Elder of Month

David Baumgartner Greg Olsen Carson Barham Scott Barham

> James Horn Joshua Miller Josh Newman Jeremiah Parrish Paul Wells

> > Brent Stewart

David Baumgartner Larry Rowden Anthony Warnes Jose Sosa

> Matt Newman Jim Haden

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