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## 1 THESSALONIANS 3:8

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Sunday 9:30am, 10:30am, 6:00pm

Tuesday 10:30am

Wednesday 6:30pm

Wednesday Benevolence 8:30am

October 21, 2018

## By Whose Authority?

Dan Jenkins

Last article we noticed the impact of the question the Jewish council asked the apostles in Acts 4. "By what power or what name have you done this?" They understood that religious acts could not be done without God's authority. Today we make application of this question by asking several questions.

**The Lord's Supper** - Consider these Biblical facts.

(1) The Lord commanded observing the Lord's supper—do this in remembrance of Me.

(2) The Lord's supper was given as the primary reason the church assembled on the first day of the week—it was even placed above the preaching of Paul (Acts 20:7). Paul also shows in 1 Cor. 11:29-33 that the first century church came together to eat the Lord's supper, and the Greek and later translations show they came together every Sunday (1 Cor. 16:2).

Now here is the question. Jesus put the weekly Lord's supper in the church. By whose authority or in what name have denominations changed it? Think about this!

### **Baptism by Immersion**

The Bible clearly shows that in baptism one goes down into the water (Acts 8:38) and is baptized. Paul states in Romans 6:3-4 that when one is baptized he is buried in the water. After baptism he comes up out of the water (Acts 8:39).

Here is the question. Jesus, the One who has all authority, taught that every nation should be baptized (Matt. 28:19), and the Bible shows that baptism was a complete immersion in water. By whose authority or in what name have denominations changed this? Think about it!

### **Baptism Essential to Be Saved**

The Bible affirms that for one to be saved he must be baptized. The saved person is one who believes and is baptized (Mark 16:16), and that in baptism one's sins are washed away (Acts 22:16). Baptism saves us (1 Pet. 3:21).

Now here is the question. The One who has all authority revealed that for one to be saved he must be baptized. By whose authority have frail humans changed this and substituted a sinner's prayer in its place? Think about this!

Take this principle and apply it to every doctrine which separates one religious body from another. When the church was established there were no denominations for they all taught what Jesus taught (1 Cor. 1:10; 4:17). Denominations would cease to exist if they dealt with this question. Jesus taught only one doctrine, and there was unity. By whose authority have mortals changed His teachings? Think about it!

**Jesus Loves the Little Children**

**Mark 10:13-16**

And they were bringing children to Him so that He might touch them; but the disciples rebuked them. But when Jesus saw this, He was indignant and said to them, "Permit the children to come to Me; do not hinder them; for the kingdom of God belongs to such as these. Truly I say to you, whoever does not receive the kingdom of God like a child will not enter it *at all*." And He took them in His arms and *began* blessing them, laying His hands on them.

**1. Are we \_\_\_\_\_ children to Jesus?**

**2. Are we \_\_\_\_\_ some from \_\_\_\_\_ children to Jesus?**

**3. Are we \_\_\_\_\_ when some \_\_\_\_\_ others from \_\_\_\_\_ children to Jesus?**

**4. Are we \_\_\_\_\_ like those Jesus told us to \_\_\_\_\_ like?**

*Forever His*

**What is it?**

**Why do it?**

**What do we need from you?**

How many times is the phrase "what is your name" mentioned?

Purpose of the books:

Mark - to \_\_\_\_\_ that Jesus is the Son of God.

Luke - To present an accurate \_\_\_\_\_

A Demon-Possessed Man Healed: Luke 8:26-39 Mark 5:1-20

**1. The \_\_\_\_\_ (8:27-28a) (Mark 5:2-6)**

Describe the demon possessed man

\_\_\_\_\_

When Jesus finds demon possessed man = pitiful state.

When Jesus finds \_\_\_\_\_, \_\_\_\_\_ are in the same pitiful state.

**2. The \_\_\_\_\_ (8:28) (Mk. 5:7)**

Lk 8:28 - "What have I to do with You, \_\_\_\_\_, Son of the \_\_\_\_\_ High God? I beg You, do not torment me!"

James 2:19 - "...Even the \_\_\_\_\_ believe—and tremble!

**3. The \_\_\_\_\_ (8:30) (Mark 5:9)**

Jesus asked him, "What is your \_\_\_\_\_?"

There are only \_\_\_\_\_ times in scripture where God wants to know someone's name.

Why? \_\_\_\_\_

**4. The \_\_\_\_\_ (8:32)**

Christ has the power over \_\_\_\_\_.

**5. The \_\_\_\_\_**

1. \_\_\_\_\_ - (8:35; 8:37) 2. \_\_\_\_\_ - (8:35; 8:38)

**6. The \_\_\_\_\_ (8:39)**

"Return to your \_\_\_\_\_ house, and \_\_\_\_\_ what great things \_\_\_\_\_ has done for you."

**Conclusion:**

What is your name? \_\_\_\_\_



# GIVE ME THIS MOUNTAIN

Seniors' Fall Seminar  
November 9, 2018



## *Forever His* December 8 *Winter Wonderland*

### **Community Outreach**

Benevolence Program  
Habitat for Humanity  
Food for Fitness

### **Local Missions**

Cherokee Children's Home  
In Search of the Lord's Way  
Bear Valley Bible Institute  
Brown Trail Spanish Preaching  
The Truth in Love [ttil.tv](http://ttil.tv)  
WVBS [school.wvbs.org](http://school.wvbs.org)  
La Poynor Prison Ministry

### **Foreign Missions**

India Preacher Training Program  
New Zealand Harvest Missions

## WesthillWORKS!

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# Prayer List

**Barbara Moore's son-in-law**, Trey Billingsley, is in the hospital due to heart enzymes.

**Bobby Compton's** surgery to remove a mass has been postponed, but he will start chemo.

**Faith Beamon** came forward on Wednesday and needs the prayers and encouragement of the church.

**Continue to Remember:** Don Bowen, Aline Barrett, Alston Compton, Ricky Stepp, Don Corley, David Brown, Earlene Denton, Jan Ross, Ruth Ann Watson, Jan Sain, Beverly Heim, Kathy Green, & Beverly Heathcote

# Announcements

**Singing Service Sunday, 10/28** at 1pm in place of usual 1pm afternoon service. There will be a Backyard BBQ theme potluck lunch at noon.

**Food For Fitness** - We are still in need of volunteers for this wonderful community outreach. Sign-up and get involved!

**Safety Team Volunteers**- We still need more volunteers to sign-up.

**Office Phones** will not be operational on Monday due to installing new phone system.

**Jr. High & High School Devo** tonight at the building. Girls bring desserts, guys bring drinks.



(Please sign-up on back table to bring food and/or treats)

**4th Annual Thanksgiving Dinner** in the Outreach Center Thanksgiving Day at noon. This is for those of you who may not have family nearby, or who just want to share a great holiday meal with your Westhill Family. There is a sign-up sheet at the back to let us know how many will be attending and what you would like to bring (sides or desserts). Turkey, ham and dressing will be provided.

*"Forever His"* outreach event is planned for **Sat. 12/8**.

## Birthdays This Week

- October 21 - Christie Beamon
- October 24 - Caleb Jackson
- October 25 - Justin Howard & Cooper Webster
- October 26 - Michael Jones & Mildred Wooten
- October 27 - Martha Dowdle & Trace Yarger

## Next Week:

- Bible Class** *The Life of the Apostle Paul*
- AM Sermon** *Will the Real Church Please Stand Up?*
- PM Sermon** *Do you Want to be Healed?*

## Records for October 14, 2018

Bible Class .....	214
AM Worship.....	289
PM Worship.....	145
Wednesday.....	167
Contribution .....	\$8,980.35



# Privileged to Serve

Song Leader	Justin Williams
Opening Prayer	Jim Haden
Communion Leader	Darwin Thomas
Communion Servers	Bronny Watson
Millard Dowdle	Andy Parrish
Wade Braly	Nicholas Tooley
Nate Haden	Dan Gibson
Larry Rowden	Michael Jones
David Baumgartner	Mark McWherter
Luke Baumgartner	
James Olsen	
Scripture Reading	Ken Green
Closing Prayer	Don Ivy
Nursery	Debbie Wylie & Nancy Sloan
PM Song Leader	Joshua Haden
PM Opening Prayer	Percell Milton
PM Closing Prayer	George Schmidt
Wed. Song Leader	Rusty Owens
Wed. Invitation	Tim Cooke
October Contact Elder	Paul Slaughter