"and you shall know the truth and the truth shall make you free." John 8:32

Welcome Visitors

We are blessed by your attendance and worshipping with us.

Prayer Request

Jason Rowell
Teddy Cauthen
Pete Bridges
Pat Blumer
Pepper Daniel
Bonnie Godwin
Jeremy/Candyce Isabell
Diane Aldridge
Troy/Sarah Stapler
Gabe Johnson
Jefferson Allen
Brad Vines

Birthdays & Anniversaries

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Joe Mallory	1	
Kimberly Payne	2	
Drew Davis	9	
Kelly Cauthen	13	
Angie Cauthen	27	
Kitty Shaw	29	
Troy & Sarah Stapler	23	

Do You Love Your Friends?

Do you have any denominational, generally religious, or even atheistic friends, neighbors, and/or family members? How much do you love them? No, I mean, how much do you **really** love them? Do you **really** love them – so much so that you would be willing to risk or to do almost anything in order to see them spend eternity in heaven with you? (You know, like the old love songs' lyrics would claim about "climbing the highest mountain" and/or "swimming the deepest sea" for those you love and etc? Or better yet, as Romans 5, Philippians 2, and a plethora of other Scriptures state, just as the love of Jesus made Him more than willing to brave and to endure infinitely far more for the lost than either of even those two earthly things would entail?)



Do you love them? Do you really love them?

The question is: Do we love our lost

I AM
the LORD
your God...
You shall have
NO
other gods
before Me.



God's Plan of Salvation

- Hearing the Word of God (Rom. 10:17; Acts 16:32)
- 2. Believe what is taught (Mark 16:16; Heb 11:6)
- 3. Repentance (Acts 2:38; Luke 13:3; Acts 17:30)
- 4. Confession (Acts 8:37; Rom. 10:9-10)
- 5. Baptism (1Peter 3:21; Acts 2:38; Mark 16:16; Rom. 6:3-4)
- 6. After the above five steps, faithful

This Week Leading Worship: Next Week Leading Worship:		Worship:	
Sunday Morning:		Sunday Morning:	
Announcements	Kelly Cauthen	Announcements	Joe Mallory
Scripture	Camp Mallory	Scripture	Cory Payne
Song Leader	Caden Mallory	Song Leader	Harel Otwell
Opening Prayer	Tony Hotalen	Opening Prayer	Alan Wilkerson
Table	Wayne Aldridge	Table	Kelly Cauthen
	Carlos Payne		Tony Hotalen
Assisting	Cory Payne	Assisting	Korbin Cauthen
	Korbin Cauthen		Camp Mallory
Closing Prayer	Kenny Laminack	Closing Prayer	Wayne Aldridge
Sunday Evening:		Sunday Evening:	
Announcements	Harel Otwell	Announcements	Tony Hotalen
Scripture	Cory Payne	Scripture	Brandon Estvanko
Song Leader	Brennan Mallory	Song Leader	Cory Payne
Opening Prayer/Table	Joe Mallory	Opening Prayer/Table	Caden Mallory
Closing Prayer	Brandon Estvanko	Closing Prayer	Brennan Mallory

denominational and non-religious family, friends, and neighbors, enough to want to see them in heaven – despite what it might cost us **personally**, to help ensure that they get there? Or, are we so selfish, as to put **our desire** for their momentary friendship and social support during this brief and vaporous earthly life, ahead of **their eternity**, that we are willing to remain silent about the truth of God regarding **their** lost estate, because **we** don't want to potentially lose their momentary earthly friendship by bringing up Biblical truth?

I am reminded of the parable of the talents which Jesus told in <u>Matthew 25</u>; and how that the servant **of His** who hid what he had been given instead of investing it for a return, was cast out, right alongside, into, and amongst those who were lost. In other words – and to the point of this article – he joined those very people whom he had refused to invest God's truth in, in their misery, having become one of them through (in this case) his own disobedience and unwillingness to share with them, what God had given to him.

We, as New Testament Christians, have been given – and have taken full advantage of – the life-giving gospel truth in all of its glory, splendor, and soulsaving simplicity by our Lord and Savior Jesus Christ Himself, to share with our lost family, friends, and neighbors:

"For everyone to whom much is given, from him much will be required." "But as we have been approved by God to be entrusted with the gospel, even so we speak, not as pleasing men, but God who tests our hearts." (Luke 12:48; 1 Thessalonians 2:4)

And so, I am begging each and every member of the Lord's church who has never or not even recently shared the gospel truth with lost loved ones, to please stop and reconsider **why**. Is their momentary earthly friendship so

Reminders:

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important that we are willing to watch them be sentenced to eternal hell on Judgment Day, simply because we chose to keep silent and not share the soulsaving, life-giving, gospel truth of our Lord and Savior Jesus Christ with them today?

Brethren, we can continue to pray with every breath we take, that God will help our congregations to grow... but it will only and ultimately be an effort in futility, until and unless we prove that we have the faith to move forward, get going, get our hands dirty **each and every one** (Eph. 4:14-16), continually seeking to invest and plant the soul-saving gospel truth of God's holy word into the hearts and souls of our lost loved ones. God is more than ready (Exod. 14:15; 2 Ptr. 3:9). Are we?

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