

GOSPEL PLAN OF SALVATION

- Hear the gospel (Romans 10:17)
- Believe Jesus is the Christ (John 3:16)
- Repent from sins (Luke 13:3)
- Confess faith in Jesus (Romans 10:9-10)
- Be baptized for remission of sins (Acts 2:38)
- Live worthy of the calling (Ephesians 4:1)

IN NEED OF PRAYERS

Recent Additions:

**Roger Hall** (Richelle’s niece’s father) passed away this past Tuesday. **Susie Burton** and **Gladys Dunbar**, members of the Willow Oak congregation in Russell Springs, are both very ill and request the prayers of the congregation. **Janet Hogan** (Ron’s sister) has a staff infection that is not responding well to antibiotics after several surgeries. She is in the new tower at UK Hospital, room 219.

List:

**Our members:** Jeff Howerton, Glenn Kimberlin, Paul Atkisson, Louis Harrod, Julie Patton

**Others:** Lenny Shepperson, Taylor Osterling, David Morrow, Debbie Parker, Lala Whitson, Rita Pagan, Vina Krassow, Courtney and Aubrey Reeves, John Bennett, Robert and Sarah Brundige, Donald Dawson, Jean Gartland, Gail Stein, Michael Poynter, CJ Nash, Sandy Childress, Mary Wilson, Charlie Little, Doris Baker, Edith Tirey, Kathy McKibben

WEEKLY READING

**Sun:** SS 6:13-7:9, Ju 9, Jer 25:1-14, Heb 8:1-9:10  
**Mon:** SS 7:10-13, Ju 10:1-11:3, Jer 25:15-38, Heb 9:11-10:18  
**Tue:** SS 8:1-7, Ju 11:4-40, Jer 26, Heb 10:19-39  
**Wed:** SS 8:8-14, Ju 12, Jer 27-28, Heb 11:1-12:2  
**Thu:** Ps 1, Ju 13, Jer 29, Heb 12:3-29  
**Fri:** Ps 2, Ju 14, Jer 30, Heb 13:1-19  
**Sat:** Ps 3, Ju 15, Jer 31, Heb 13:20-25

LEADERSHIP

ELDERS	DEACONS
Garry Banks	Troy Antle
David Collins	Richard Brundige
John Thompson	Neal Erickson
	Adam Litmer
EVANGELIST	Bill Morelan
Adam Litmer	Jim Parsons
	Pat Seabolt
	Matt Thompson

SERVICES

**Sunday**  
Bible Study: 9:45 AM  
Worship: 10:45 AM; 6:00 PM  
**Wednesday**  
Bible Study: 7:30 PM  
**1st Fri. of Month**  
Singing: 7:30 PM  
**3rd Fri. of Month**  
Bible Study: 7:00 PM  
(Ask for location)

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Welcome

We welcome everyone who has decided to visit with us today. You truly are our honored guests!

THERE’S A LESSON HERE

Man is driven by multiple needs, many of which are essential for his very survival. Hunger and thirst, which drive the need for food and drink, readily come to mind. Other needs, while not absolutely essential for survival, are so dominant in our lives that they dictate a great deal of our behavior and thoughts. Some needs are such that they are components of a wide variety of other needs. One such need is the need for comfort. Hunger and thirst make us uncomfortable, and so we are driven to obtain food and drink to relieve our discomfort. Strenuous activity makes us tired, and so we seek rest and sleep to relieve the discomfort. We take pills to relieve pain and other uncomfortable physical and emotional symptoms. Most people find loneliness to be intolerable and so they seek out relationships with others, some of which turn out to be beneficial while others unfortunately serve to increase one’s discomfort.

Where do you go for comfort? What resources do you tap into when you need to be comforted? There is, no doubt, not a day that goes by that an individual fails to need some degree of comfort. What are your usual and frequently accessed sources of comfort? Is the Bible one of those resources? Might it be your primary resource?

*For whatsoever things were written aforetime were written for our learning, that we through patience and comfort of the scriptures might have hope.* (Romans 15:4) (KJV)

Perhaps more people have found more comfort by reading Psalm 23 than any other passage of scripture. *The Lord is my shepherd; I shall not want. He maketh me to lie down in green pastures: he leadeth me beside the still waters. He restoreth my soul: he leadeth me in the paths of righteousness for his name's sake. Yea, though I walk through the valley of the shadow of death, I will fear no evil:*

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for thou art with me; thy rod and thy staff they comfort me. Thou preparest a table before me in the presence of mine enemies: thou anointest my head with oil; my cup runneth over. Surely goodness and mercy shall follow me all the days of my life: and I will dwell in the house of the Lord forever. (KJV)

Much of the distress and discomfort experienced by people in our present time is due to discontent, dissatisfaction, disharmony, disenchantment, disgust, and so on. Perhaps the most frequently spoken word today, using the prefix “dis,” is disenfranchisement. It seems we have to have a vast number of words beginning with that prefix to adequately communicate all of the ways we lack comfort. But the writer of Hebrews, through Almighty inspiration, not only makes the statement to be content, that is, be comfortable, but also cites how we might be that way. *Keep your life free from love of money, and be content with what you have, for he has said, “I will never leave you nor forsake you.”*<sup>6</sup> *So we can confidently say, “The Lord is my helper; I will not fear; what can man do to me?”* (Hebrews 13:5-6, ESV)

May we seek the comfort of the scriptures every day, and even throughout the day.

The Elders

Carnal Weapons

By Robert Turner

In a fit of anger, being highly provoked, Joe lashed out with his fist. The blow had scarcely fallen when Joe regained control of himself, was shocked that he had so reacted, and apologized profusely for his rashness. Considering the public nature of the deed, Joe publicly acknowledged his sin at the first opportunity, and asked both man and God for forgiveness. He now endeavors to live a quiet, godly life, *“forgetting those things which are behind”* (Philippians 3:13).

But Joe had struck with his fist, and that is a “carnal weapon”—so Bill decides to spread the news. The Bible says, *“The weapons of our warfare are not carnal...”* (2 Corinthians 10:4) and Bill can quote it word for word. He “uses” the incident time after time to discredit Joe. He “uses” it to cast reflections upon the church of which Joe is a member. He “uses” it in place of scriptural authority for his own faith and practice. “Just look at what Joe did!”

Sadly, it never occurs to Bill that the incident has become *his* carnal weapon. He is blind to the fact that he wields, day after day, deliberately and maliciously, a weapon

every bit as carnal as the fist Joe used in an unguarded moment. If Joe was in error—and he certainly was—Bill *IS* in error, and compounds it day by day.

Carnal weapons are not limited to guns and clubs. In fact, the “*war after the flesh*” which provoked Paul’s statement in 2 Corinthians 10 was one waged by his spiritual enemies, the false teachers who made light of Paul’s bodily presence and questioned his authority (2 Corinthians 10:7-18).

It is sectarian and carnal to ridicule, quarantine, or by other similar methods seek to overcome those who differ with us religiously. “Party” battles may be fought with prejudice producing labels, but one does not “*fight the good fight of faith*” with such weapons. And this applies as much to conservative brethren as to anyone else. Will we never learn?

One error cannot justify another. I am not a big man, physically or spiritually, because I call—or even prove—another to be small.

Thoughts on Saturday Morning

Though I am writing this before Saturday, I am confident that it will be similar to last year. With that in mind I wish to say the following:

First, let me thank everyone who took a couple of hours out of their Saturday morning to join us. Much material was passed out, many conversations were struck, and many questions were asked and answered.

Second, thank you very much to those who took it upon themselves to traverse the campus to reach those who would not have walked by our building.

Third, take the time to speak to today’s visitors to see if any have come because of yesterday. If so, let them know how happy and grateful we are that they have come.

Finally, if you chose not to attend and help your brethren reach out to the students, please consider if what you chose to do instead was as important to God as what took place here.

Remember: we can speak to someone about Christ everyday!

<b>Sermons:</b>	(AM)	Love Is Not Irritable	(PM)	Now Is The Time To Hate
<b>Reading:</b>	(AM)	Luke 4:16-30	(PM)	Luke 4:31-44