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 recently. Let us remember the family in our prayers. **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. **Jan Hogan** (Ron's sister) has returned home but still has an uphill climb as she battles a very persistent infection.

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, Bill Childress

	WEEKLY REAL
	Sun: Ps 4, Ju 16, Jer 3
	Mon: Ps 5, Ju 17, Jer 3
	Tue: Ps 6, Ju 18, Jer 3
3	Wed: Ps 7, Ju 19, Jer 3
	Thu: Ps 8, Ju 20, Jer 3
	Fri: Ps 9, Ju 21, Jer 3
50	Sat: Ps 10, Ru 1, Jer
	2 3 10, 100 1,001

LEADI	ERSHIP	<u>SERVICES</u>
ELDERS	DEACONS	Sunday
Garry Banks	Troy Antle	Bible Study: 9:45 AM
David Collins	Richard Brundige	Worship: 10:45 AM; 6:00 PM
John Thompson	Neal Erickson	<u>Wednesday</u>
	Adam Litmer	Bible Study: 7:30 PM
EVANGELIST	Bill Morelan	1st Fri. of Month
Adam Litmer	Jim Parsons	Singing: 7:30 PM
	Pat Seabolt	3rd Fri. of Month
	Matt Thompson	Bible Study: 7:00 PM
	F	(Ask for location)

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There's A Lesson Here

Welcome

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

And behold, a man came up honored guests!

to him, saying, "Teacher, what good deed must I do to have eternal life?"

And he said to him, "Why do you ask me about what is good? There is only one who is good. If you would enter life, keep the commandments." He said to him, "Which ones?" And Jesus said, "You shall not murder, You shall not commit adultery, You shall not steal, You shall not bear false witness, Honor your father and mother, and, You shall love your neighbor as yourself." The young man said to him, "All these I have kept. What do I still lack?" Jesus said to him, "If you would be perfect, go, sell what you possess and give to the poor, and you will have treasure in heaven; and come, follow me." When the young man heard this he went away sorrowful, for he had great possessions. (Matthew 19:16-23)

Is it possible for us to recognize ourselves in this man who approached Jesus with such important questions? Do we not approach Jesus with the desire for eternal life? Do we not likewise ask, in one way or another, what we need to do to please Jesus? We study the Bible with the intent to learn God's will for us; and we listen to sermons anticipating learning more about God's will. We pray for greater understanding and thank God for giving us another opportunity to gather together to study a "portion of His word." Just like the man who approached Jesus, we sincerely want to know what we need to do to inherit eternal life.

Just like this man, we, too, have a sense of being obedient. We know those parts of the law of Christ to which we are faithful. We have an accurate awareness that we do not steal, or commit adultery, or lie, and so on. We recognize that we attend worship services faithfully, give of our means, pray,

and so on. And, to some extent, just like the man in the passage we sometimes ask, "What do I lack?" We know that we are not perfect and that we still have room to grow as Christians. While we are to be perfect in the sense that we are mature Christians, we should never consider ourselves to have no more room for growth. Do we ask what we lack as frequently and as consistently as we should, or is our asking just a hit-or-miss happenstance?

And then there is the problem that arises when we ask about what we lack and receive an answer we do not like. Are we like the man in the Bible account who went away sorrowful? When we ask what we lack; when we want to know how to be better Christians; when we sincerely desire to know what yet remains to be more pleasing to our Savior and our Heavenly Father should we not rejoice rather than go away sorrowful? The Elders

"What If It Isn't True?"

He looked me in my eye and asked,
"What if it isn't true?"

I know his question was sincere,
So my answer must be, too.

What if this Book I hold so dear,
Did not come from above?
What if it isn't what it claims,
Though esteemed with such love?

Then upon ling'ring final breath,
I'd fade into the night.
There'd be no sense of something lost,
Just darkness without sight.

I would have lived without regret,

Though perfect I am not.

My life was one of happiness,

Owning what can't be bought.

Surrounded by my friends so dear, And family ne'er forsook. Content and satisfied was I, My faith upon that Book.

"What if it isn't true?" he asked.
"What is there you would change?"
My answer must be naught at all,
With nothing rearranged.

"Yet think of this," I asked him then.

"Let's turn the tables round.

"What if each paragraph is true,

"Reason for its renown?"

"How would you face that Day, my friend,
"If death forced you to see,
"That everything denied was true?
"What could your answer be?"

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For Your Information

Some have requested the transcripts for the Sunday morning series on the different aspects of love from 1 Corinthians 13:4-8a. If anyone would like a copy of one or more of those sermons I will be glad to email them to you.

Sermons: (AM) "Love Is Not Resentful" (PM) Is God To Blame?

Reading: (AM) Luke 5:1-26 (PM) Luke 5:27-39