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## **November 17, 2024**

| Sunday Morning Worship |                 |  |  |
|------------------------|-----------------|--|--|
| Announcements          | Allen Hughes    |  |  |
| Lead Singing           | Paul Hurst      |  |  |
| First Prayer           | Leonard Clemons |  |  |
| Reading                | Nate Turner     |  |  |
| Scripture              | Mark 15:12-14   |  |  |
| Lord's Table           | *Brandon Fuston |  |  |
| Sermon                 | Tony Lawrence   |  |  |

Dismiss ......Bobby Ashford

# Sunday Evening Worship

| Allen Hughes   |
|----------------|
| Paul Hurst     |
| Stanley Graves |
| Cory Prince    |
| John 14:6      |
| *Kurt Maynard  |
| *Kane Maynard  |
| Tony Lawrence  |
| Danny Duncan   |
|                |

# **Wednesday Bible Study**

| Announcements | Willie Newby  |
|---------------|---------------|
| Lead Singing  | Rickey Hurst  |
| First Prayer  | Allen Hughes  |
| Reading       | Tucker Gann   |
| Invitation    | Tony Lawrence |
| Dismiss       | Jeff Flatt    |

#### Record for the Week...

| A.M. Worship          | 182 |
|-----------------------|-----|
| Bible Study           |     |
| P.M. Worship          |     |
| Wednesday Bible Study |     |
| Contribution          |     |

#### **Welcome Committee**

Temporarily suspended

If you can not serve, please contact Mike Mullins (931) 743-8093

| Ushers:Dale Bennett, Willie Newby, Herb Rowland |                            |  |  |
|---|----------------------------|--|--|
| Un/Lock Building:                               | Bill Jennings/Willie Newby |  |  |
| Assist Baptisms:                                | Stefanie McColloch         |  |  |
| Pantry Item:                                    | Green Beans                |  |  |
| Check Pantry:                                   | Kara Fuston                |  |  |
| Check Kitchen:                                  | Marsha Collins             |  |  |
| Check Workroom:                                 | Rebecca Mullican           |  |  |
| Video   | Caleb Hughes               |  |  |
| Elder Closing Remarks                           | Stanley Graves             |  |  |

#### **Van Driver**

| Sunday AM & PM | Cory Prince    |
|----------------|----------------|
| Wednesday PM   | Stanley Graves |

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#### Radio Program

Each Wednesday at 10:00 AM on WBMC 960 AM and 97.7 FM.

| Shepherds       |                        | Deacons        |                 |
|-----------------|------------------------|----------------|-----------------|
| Leonard Clemons | 473-4186               | Joe Collins    | Jeff Flatt      |
| Stanley Graves  | 205-8139               | Brandon Fuston | Tim Gann        |
| Allen Hughes    | 668-8936               | Caleb Graves   | Paul Hurst      |
|                 | elders@bybeebranch.org | Rickey Hurst   | Clent Kesey     |
|                 | - ,                    | Kurt Maynard   | David McColloch |
|                 |                        | Jared Mullican | Mike Mullins    |
|                 |                        | Bruce Pryor    | Herb Rowland    |

580-2477

#### **Preachers**

Tony Lawrence (Preaching) 212-6067 Josue Castorena (Hispanic) email preacher@bybeebranch.org

### Sick

#### At Home:

Eunice Haley Herb Rowland Eva Simons Judy Nussbaum Linda Fults

#### Hospital

Sidney Grove - St Thomas Rutherford Glenda Ferrell - Erlanger

#### **Area Events**

Campaign will host a Lectureship with students from Tennessee Bible College preaching, November 16-17

**Morrison** will host their "Coming Home" on November 17.

# **Sympathy**

We extend our deepest sympathy to the family of Noel Pepper, a long-time member at Bybee Branch. His funeral was this past Friday.



"I TOOK NOTES ON YOUR SERMON. YOU'LL HEAR FROM MY LAWYER."

### **Youth News**

Nov. 17, HEY at Hebron, Set Apart in our Peace Nov. 20, Birthday Wednesday Nov. 24. Devotional at Mullins'

### **Take Heart!**

After being battered and tossed two solid weeks in a fierce storm at sea, "all hope that we should be saved was finally given up" (Acts 27:20). Who can blame them? They had done everything humanly possible to keep the ship from disintegrating; but nothing seemed to help. Imagine the seasickness, discouragement, and exhaustion!

Then Paul spoke up: "I urge you to take heart" (27:22). What?! Are you some kind of Pollyanna?

No, Paul wasn't an irrepressible optimist! He had good reason for what he said. God had sent an angel to assure him that all 276 people aboard the ship would survive. Paul set forth three crucial reasons for his confidence:

- 1.1 belong to this God (27:23a).
- 2. I serve this God (27:23b).
- 3. I believe this God (27:25).

Christians can face the best and worst of times when we keep these critical points in mind. We belong to God. He values us and watches over us in all circumstances.

We serve God. He is worthy of our service whether our conditions are pleasant or dreadful.

We believe God. Our confidence in Him must not wane when severe trials come upon us.

Our God has communicated with us. No, He hasn't sent an angel to you or me as He did to Paul. But He has and still does speak by means of His inspired word. He has assured us that "all things work together for God to those who love God, who are the called according to His purpose" (Romans 8:28).

Take heart!

~ Joe Slater ~
preacher of the Church of Christ in Justin,TX

### **Trouble At The Gate**

This week continues the series of articles taken from sheet sermons from a previous generation. I encourage you to take time to consider the powerful lessons contained in it.

One may ask why would some have trouble at the gate? Jesus said, "Strive to enter through the narrow gate, for many, I say to you, will seek to enter and will not be able. When once the Master of the house has risen up and shut the door, and you begin to stand outside and knock at the door, saying, "Lord, Lord, open for us," and He will answer and say to you, 'I do not know you, where you are from,' then you will begin to say, "We ate and drank in Your presence, and You taught in our streets.' But He will say, "I tell you I do not know you, where you are from. Depart from Me, all you workers of iniquity.' (Luke 13:24-27). Such is a sad picture of what will happen on Judgment day. Just picture people banging on the door, "let me in!"

The chart below focuses on several areas of concern that may keep one out. The religious world seems to think God will accept any type of worship offered or doctrine taught. The "doctrines of men" are specifically condemned. Likewise, the chart addresses unfaithfulness within the church as well, including those who fail to provide for their own. How can one be sure that he won't have "trouble at the gate?" One must take the whole counsel of God and be faithful to it.

