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<b>Sunday AM Bible Study</b>	9:30 AM
<b>Sunday AM Worship</b>	10:30 AM
<b>Sunday PM Worship</b>	5:30 PM
<b>Wednesday Bible Class</b>	7:00 PM

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#### Welcome

The Pippin church of Christ extends to you a cordial welcome. We hope the services have been uplifting, and you will want to return at every opportunity.

Our purpose in meeting is to worship God in Spirit and in truth. God is a Spirit, and they that worship Him must worship Him in Spirit and Truth. John 4:24

#### How to Become a Christian

Hear the Word - Romans 10:17  
Believe - Mark 16:15  
Repent of Past Sins - Luke 13:3  
Confess - Romans 10:9  
Be Baptized - Acts 2:38  
Remain Faithful - Revelation 2:10

#### Radio Programs

The Lord's Way  
AM 920 WLIV - Tuesdays @ 10:10AM

A Challenge to Think  
AM 1400 WHUB - Sundays @ 9:05AM

#### For the Record, Week of 10/30/16

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## Not Bad For A Dollar

*Steve Higginbotham (November 1, 2016)*

One of the stories I remember hearing my dad tell on many occasions is about a family who went to church one Sunday morning. After the worship service was over, while the family was going to their favorite restaurant, the mother and father began critiquing the worship service.

The Father started it off by saying, "Didn't you think the Bible class teacher this morning was shallow? I'd bet he didn't spend more than 30 minutes in preparation for his class." The Mother, not to be outdone, said, "Well if you thought he was bad, what about the preacher? Was that not the worst sermon you've ever heard?" The Father replied, "Oh, and why do we need a song-leader anyway? It sure must not be to keep tempo, because the singing was sooo slow! And the prayer..." and before he could comment on the prayer, the Mother interrupted and said, "I know...12 minutes and 34 seconds long!" Listening to all this from the back seat, their little boy wanting to be a part of the conversation chimed in and said, "I didn't think it was all that bad of a show for a dollar donation."

Friends, while this is intended as a caricature, I'm afraid that it closely mirrors what actually takes place in our cars after we leave worship. Have we forgotten that we are not the audience, but the participants in worship? Cornelius had it right when he said to Peter, "we are all present before God" (Acts 10:33). In other words, Cornelius recognized that God is the spectator and we are the participants.

Next time you go to worship, make sure that's what you do...worship, and leave the critiquing to God. Give it some thought.

## Things to Remember When in Worship

*Jim Sasser*

1. Remember the purpose of worship is not to entertain or amuse one another, but it is to pay homage, love and honor to God.
2. Remember the people in worship; they are not perfect, neither are you. Those with imperfections are worshipping Him who is perfect. He who realizes his own imperfections most is better qualified to worship Him who imagines himself 'perfect'.
3. Come to the worship period thinking how great God is and how insignificant you are.
4. Give due attention to the thoughts contained in the spiritual songs as well as in the harmony and melody of the singing of them.
5. Remember that a sermon depends as much on the hearing of it as the presenting of it.
6. Keep in mind that a critical, intolerant attitude is foreign to the spirit of Him whom you purpose to praise and to them that are gathered with you. You should be seeking to encourage those who are worshipping with you.

