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Sunday AM Worship	10:30 AM
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Wednesday Bible Class	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 2/19/16

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Do You Feel Saved?

Wayne Greeson

Are you saved? How do you know you are saved? "I know I am saved because I feel it in my heart," many often say. But are the feelings of your heart the proper standard to determine your salvation? We do not use this standard in other matters. No one says of his bank statement, "I know it is right because I feel it in my heart," while they ignore to properly add and subtract from their balance. No carpenter says, "I know the board is 10 feet long because I feel it in my heart" - he checks the board with the proper standard, the measuring tape! But, when it comes to a matter far more important than bank balances and board lengths - salvation - many are willing to trust their eternal welfare to their feelings.

Can you trust the feelings of your heart to tell you whether or not you are saved? The Bible says "No!" "He who trusts in his own heart is a fool" (Prov. 28:26), for "the way of man is not in himself; it is not in man who walks to direct his own steps" (Jer. 10:23). "There is a way which seems right to a man, but its end is the way of death" (Prov. 14:12). Feelings are subjective, they change from person to person and even within the same person. Truth is objective, it remains fixed and does not change, regardless of the person or the year.

The way you feel about salvation does not change God's truth concerning it, just as the way you feel about math, does not change the truth of it. Whether or not you are saved is an objective fact, not subject to the whims of how you feel from moment to moment. So how can they know they are saved? The Scripture says, "Trust in the Lord with all your heart, and lean not on your own understanding" (Prov. 3:5).

You do not have to rely upon your own faulty and deceptive feelings concerning your salvation. The Lord has given "the Holy Scriptures, which are able to make you wise for salvation" (2 Tim. 3:15). The knowledge and confidence of salvation can only come from the objective standard of God's Word. God will judge you by His Word, not by how you feel. Jesus proclaimed, "the word that I have spoken, the same shall judge him in the last day" (John 12:48). What is your salvation based upon? Many people feel in their heart they are saved because they have "simply believed" in Jesus. While salvation certainly requires faith in Jesus, faith alone does not and cannot save according to God's Word.

James wrote, "You see then that a man is justified by works, and not by faith only" (Jas. 2:24). Other people have prayed and "asked Jesus to come into their heart" and now they feel they are saved. But nowhere does the Bible teach one must simply pray to Jesus in order to be saved.

God's Word teaches to be saved you must: hear the gospel (Rom. 10:17); believe Jesus is the Son of God (Mk. 16:16); repent of your sins (Acts 2:38); confess Jesus (Rom. 10:9; Acts 8:36-38) and be baptized for the remission of your sins (Acts 2:38; Mk. 16:16). Those who obey God's Word do not have to guess whether or not they are saved based upon the feelings of their heart. They know they are saved because their salvation is based on the unchanging Truth of God's Word.

"Numbers" versus Real Growth

Paul Earnhart

I have an uneasiness about any great emphasis on statistics in measuring the growth of churches. I am skeptical because numbers can so often mask what is happening to people. The ultimate goal of our Father for His children is both spiritual and personal. He wills that we be "conformed to the image of His Son" (Rom. 8:29). Success or failure in this enterprise cannot be measured by mere statistics. A far more important question to raise as numbers change is how individual saints are faring in their effort to be more Christ-like. Churches only truly grow as the individual members of those assemblies grow. What is the glory of our numbers if people are not prepared to go to heaven?

SERMON TOPICS

Morning	The Extent of God's Forgiveness	2 Chronicles 33:12
Evening	James – A Study of Faith	James 2:17,18

PRAYER LIST

DONALD FARMER - brother of Stella Smith, recently had quadruple bypass heart surgery in Nashville.

NATHAN FOX - son of Pam Fox, recently underwent several blood transfusions.

MATTHEW SWALLOWS - came forward last Wednesday evening confessing error and sin. He asked for prayers for forgiveness and expressed his desire to be right with God.

THOSE BATTLING ONGOING HEALTH ISSUES - Betty Long (friend of the Bybee family), Burt Montgomery (co-worker of Josh Lawson), Cathy Phillips (cousin of Geneva Smallwood), Herbie Fox (nephew of Geneva Smallwood), John and Doris Stafford, Junior and Pearl Sherfield, Karma Carter (wife of Jonathan Carter, nephew of Denise York), Marie Eckel

ANNOUNCEMENTS

Personal Evangelism Seminar - Meeting Today at 4:30

Pippin will be hosting a personal evangelism seminar. There will be a meeting this afternoon at 4:30 to discuss ideas and action items to help organize this. Everyone is welcome to attend to discuss ideas and volunteer to help in any way.

Monthly Service Schedule

The monthly service assignment schedule is now available for the month of March. Please let Adam or Amy Swallows know if something needs to be changed.

March 3rd - 5th - Marriage Seminar

Crossville church of Christ will host a marriage seminar March 3 - 5 with guest speaker Jim Dearman.

Volunteers Needed

Volunteers are needed to help facilitate the slides used during the song service. If you are interested, please see Jonathan Medley.

Role Models

Greg Gwin

When it comes to sports - we do it. In business - we do it. In almost every field of endeavor we look for role models. We try to find others who have been successful, and then we imitate them. God's word tells us to do the same thing in spiritual matters. The best role models are found right in the Scriptures. Jesus is the ultimate example: "For even hereunto were ye called: because Christ also suffered for us, leaving us an example, that ye should follow his steps" (1 Peter 2:21). Other great heroes of faith serve as good role models, too. Paul urged us to be "followers of me, even as I also am of Christ" (1 Cor. 11:1). Hebrews chapter eleven is full of examples of faithful men and women who serve as worthy patterns for us to imitate.

Beyond these 'champions' of the Bible, let us suggest that we can also look to our own brethren. In any church there are faithful, zealous, devoted Christians who are working hard to live for the Lord. They resist temptation, spread the word, encourage others and generally work tirelessly to do His will. Look to them. Imitate them. Paul encouraged this approach: "Brethren, be followers together of me, and mark them which walk so as ye have us for an ensample" (Philippians 3:17).

We know this method works in the material world. We look for 'winners' and we imitate them. Let's do the same thing when it comes to our most important endeavor - serving God!

All Month - February

Table	Greg Frizzell
Table Assist	Andrew Pippin Andrew Scott Chad York Josh Lawson

Sunday AM Worship

Announcements	Lester Boles
Lead Singing	Jonathan Medley
Read Scripture	John Jones
First Prayer	Matt Donegan
Last Prayer	Dennis Chaffin
Greet at Door	Jonathan & Jenna Medley
Slide Production	Joe Brown

Sunday PM Worship

Announcements	Lester Boles
Lead Singing	Jonathan Medley
Read Scripture	Mike Martin
First Prayer	Kale Burchett
Last Prayer	Eddie Frizzell
Slide Production	Joe Brown

Wednesday Bible Class

Announcements	Lester Boles
Lead Singing	Matt Donegan
Read Scripture	Larry Jackson
First Prayer	Colonel Wheeler
Last Prayer	Jeremy Castle
Slide Production	Joe Brown

Happy Birthday

Shirley Lane	3/11
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Happy Anniversary

Gary & Amy Medley	3/10
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Daily Bible Reading

Leviticus 6-7; Mark 6:1-29	2/26
Leviticus 8-10; Mark 6:30-56	2/27
Leviticus 11-12; Mark 7:1-13	2/28
Leviticus 13; Mark 7:14-37	3/1
Leviticus 14; Mark 8:1-21	3/2
Leviticus 15-16; Mark 8:22-38	3/3
Leviticus 17-18; Mark 9:1-29	3/4

Question for the Week

What character in the book of Esther was hanged on a gallows that he ordered built?

Answer to Previous Question

What did a seraph use to touch Isaiah's lips?

live coal; Is. 6:6