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SCHEDULE OF SERVICES

SUNDAY:

Bible Classes.....9:45 a.m.
Morning Worship.....10:30 a.m.
Evening Worship.....6:30 p.m.

WEDNESDAY:

Bible Classes.....7 p.m.

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WELCOME!

We of the Cambridge church of Christ
invite you to all our services.

“...the churches of Christ salute you” (Romans 16:16)

IS THY HEART RIGHT WITH GOD?

INTRODUCTION: Matt. 15:19-20

1. A religion which does not touch and change the heart is not the religion given by Christ.
 - A. The heart is the spring from which our actions flow. If the fountain is kept pure, the stream will be pure.
 - B. If the heart has been defiled by sin, dark and sinful conduct flows from it (cf. Pro. 23:7; Mt. 15:19-20).
2. The heart is one of the most talked about and least understood of all sermon topics.

I. THE TWO-FOLD NATURE OF MAN.

- A. The outward man—visible man's heart is the blood pump.
 1. Many have spoken of this mass of flesh as though it were the subject of the gospel.
 2. They don't understand that man is both an *inward* **and** an *outward* being, *physical* **and** *spiritual* (cf. 2 Cor. 4:16; 2 Sam. 18:14).
- B. The inward man (Acts 2:37).

II. THE ANALYSIS AND EXERCISE OF THE HEART.

- A. The heart is that part of man called the *intellect* which:
 1. Thinks / Reasons (Mt. 9:4; Mk. 2:8)?
 2. Understands (Mt. 13:15).
 3. Believes (Rom. 10:10).
- B. The heart is also seen to be that attribute of man called *emotion* which:
 1. Despises (2 Sam. 6:16).
 2. Desires (Rom. 10:1).
 3. Loves (Mt 22:37)
 4. Trusts (Pro. 3:5).
- C. The heart is that quality of man called *will*, which:
 1. Determines (1 Cor. 7:37).
 2. Intends (Heb. 4:12).
 3. Purposes (Acts 11:23).
 4. Obeys (Rom. 6:17).
- D. The heart is also called *conscience* which condemns or condemns not (1 Jn. 3:20-21).

III. CHANGE OF HEART.

- A. A complete change of heart is essential to salvation.
- B. How is the human heart changed?
 1. The intellect is changed by evidence or testimony.
 - a. "Doubting" Thomas. **John 20:24-29**.
 - b. The word of God is the testimony God has given to change man's intellect (cf. Jn. 20:31; Rom. 10:17).
 2. The emotions are changed by faith in the testimony presented.
 - a. Saul of Tarsus determined, intended, and purposed not to obey Christ, thinking the Lord was an imposter.
 - b. Saul did not have the N.T. to read, but the very words of Christ changed his heart from unbelief to belief.

- c. When he was told to be baptized and wash away his sins in Acts 22:16, he immediately obeyed, and a disobedient heart was changed by motives produced by faith:
 - 1) Belief in the goodness of Christ (Rom. 2:4)? That was a motive.
 - 2) Belief in the reward of the obedient (Heb. 5:9); That was a motive.
 - 3) Belief in the punishment of the disobedient (Rev. 20:15). That was a motive.
- d. Saul's sins were washed away in the act of obedience. An obedient heart is essential to man's salvation.
- e. One becomes free from sin and becomes a servant of righteousness by obeying from the heart (cf. Rom. 6:17-18).
3. The conscience is changed by faith in having done that which is right. If a man understands and believes what Christ has commanded, he can never have an approving conscience until he does it.
 - a. For example: Baptism is a command, Acts 10:48. If one understands and believes that he must be baptized for remission of sins (Acts 2:38), he cannot have a clear conscience until he has been baptized (cf. 1 Pet. 3:21).
 - b. It is faith in having done what is right, having obeyed the commandments of God, that changes the condemning conscience.

CONCLUSION: When man's intellect, emotions, will, and conscience are changed, a man's whole heart is changed. Any "church which does not teach and practice this truth is not the church of Christ.

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IF, BUT Cecil May Jr.

If Christ is not raised, I and every other preacher may as well quit preaching. We have nothing of value to say. All we believe is a lie. Jesus is dead and powerless. We have no hope of life. Our loved ones who died in Christ are perished.

But He is raised, and He lives. Those who came to the tomb to anoint His body were asked, "Why do you seek the living among the dead? He is not here, but is risen."

Two popular images of Jesus are a baby in a manger and a body on a cross. Both, taken by themselves, are images of weakness.

He is no longer a babe; suffering made Him our perfect Savior (Heb. 2:8-9). He lives and makes intercession for us (Heb. 7:25). When we think of Jesus' death, even in taking the Lord's Supper, we should not leave Him in the grave. He is risen; He lives. He conquered Satan, Hell, and death.

Through Him who loved us, we are more than conquerors.

IN OUR PRAYERS: Diann Bachmann, Erma Endly, Mike & Karen Grove, Angela Herald, Cathy Jackson, Bruce Johnson, Gary & Debbie Jones, Rick Lambert, and Carol Mitchell.	SHUT-INS: Nancy Love
FAMILY AND FRIENDS: Debra Bates-Phillabaum, Weston Boulet (great-grandson of Shirley Patterson), Carter Campbell (John and Mary Smith's grandson), Colleen Kiester (Mo Smith's sister), Linda Potts (Joyce Starrett's sister-in-law), Addy Reed , Holly Ross (Friend of Betsy Cooke), Mona Stoffer (Flavil Miller's daughter), Bob & Marge Watson , and remember to pray for one another .	

Welcome! To our visitors, we are thankful for your presences. Please fill out one of the blue cards and place it in one the collection plates or leave it on the seat. Allow us to answer any questions you may have.

ANNOUNCEMENTS:

- **Hazel Leap** would like to thank everyone for their birthday cards, calls, and well wishes.
- **Debra Bates-Phillabaum** is home and can put limited weight on her right leg. She wishes to thank everyone for the cards and prayers.
- **POTTER CHILDREN'S HOME** will be here the week of **October 17th to collect the change cans**.

REMINDERS:

- ❖ The suggestion has been submitted that we consider changing evening service times to 6 pm for Sunday and Wednesday evening services. The men thought the congregation should decide. Be thinking about this and we will survey the folks most affected by this proposal.
- ❖ Please let John know if and when there are any changes needed (additions / subtraction) to our prayer list.
- ❖ Don't forget about our library in the basement.

TODAY'S LESSONS

AM: Is Thy Heart Right With God (Matt. 15:19-20)?

PM: Jesus, The Loving Shepherd (John 10:11-16).

Bible Study	AM Worship	PM Worship	Wednesday	Contribution
38	68	40	31	\$2437