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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).

THE DANGER OF A LIE

2 Thes. 2:9-12

INTRODUCTION:

1. The great ship had been portrayed by the experts as “unsinkable”, yet on April 14, 1912, the *Titanic* sank. 1,513 of the 2,224 people on board perished.
2. It was not unsinkable; that was a lie and believing that lie cost people their lives.
3. Worse than that, people are believing lies today and it is costing *souls*.

DISCUSSION:

I. LIES ARE DANGEROUS

- A. Lies such as, “sincerity trumps facts” are popular in religion.
- B. Belief in something does not guarantee that something is true! Jacob believed that Joseph was dead (Gen. 37:32-35). Though it was not true, Jacob’s grief was very real, because he had believed a lie.

II. A HEARTBREAKING STORY- A INVALUABLE LESSON (1 Ki. 13).

- A. Background – Jeroboam’s altars at Dan and Bethel
 1. Kingdom divided (1 Ki. 12:19).
 2. Jeroboam erects altars (1 Ki. 12:28-30).
- B. The Man of God – a prophet’s mission (1 Ki. 13:1-6).
- C. A King’s Invitation, and Negative Response (1 Ki. 13:7-10).
 1. Why did he refuse?
 2. Mindful of God’s word.
 3. How Would You Have Responded?
- D. The Old Prophet (1 Ki. 13:11-19).
 1. Invitation refused, then accepted
 2. A lie accomplished what nothing else could.
- E. Who Had the Greater Sin?
 1. The older prophet?
 2. The young man chose to disobey God.
- F. All Lies are Damning.

III. COMMON LIES TODAY.

- A. “What you believe doesn’t matter as long as you’re sincere” (**Mt. 7:21-23**).
- B. “No one will be lost because God is love! He wouldn’t send anyone to Hell”.
 1. “God is Love” (1 Jn. 4:8, 16; Jn. 3:16)! But a false premise arises.
 2. “Therefore, He would send no one to Hell”.
 3. Where did they learn this? Not from Jesus! (Jn. 12:48; cf. Mt. 7:13-14).
- C. Salvation is a free gift (true- Rom. 6:23); Another false premise; “there is nothing I need to do to be saved”. Wrong! (Heb. 5:8-9).
- D. I have plenty of time (2 Cor. 6:2).

CONCLUSION: Perhaps right now you are believing these lies, or others like them (baptism not necessary)? It is extremely dangerous to do so. Be like the Bereans (Acts 17:11).

ATTENTION! ATTENTION!

“Therefore we must pay much closer attention to what we have heard, lest we drift away from it” (Heb. 2:1 ESV).

In this brief verse, the writer of Hebrews draws an inspired conclusion from the things he just wrote in chapter one; namely, that the Father speaks to us through His Son, and that His Son is greater than the angels. Since this is the case (“therefore”), we should heed the things He has told us (by any means). The verse contains for you and me a reminder of our great privilege, our guarded position, or our ghastly peril.

Our great privilege is found in “what we have heard” – inspired revelation from Almighty God. The Creator has always communicated with His Creation. The writer says that “Long ago, at many times and in many ways, God spoke to our fathers by the prophets” (Heb. 1:1). Beginning with Moses, God commanded His revelation to be written in whatever form was used at the particular time. We have the sixty-six books of the Bible—this is the means through which God speaks to us today and we should count it as a great privilege to be able to read His word! When we consider that the New Testament is The Last Will and Testament of Jesus Christ, does that not chill you and at the same time warm your soul?

Our guarded position, therefore, should be one of loving obligation that we would give His word the closest possible attention. We should read and re-read it constantly searching for the rich deposits found therein. The Hebrew writer insists that we “must” (it is necessary) that we abundantly give attention to what the Father has chosen to reveal unto us. Paul said of God’s good news, “for in it the righteousness of God is revealed”—what could be more important?

If we fail or are lax in our attention to God’s word, then we have a ***ghastly peril*** to which we must look forward. The inspired writer acknowledges what you and I already know; if we don’t use it—we’ll lose it! If we apathetically drift away from Bible reading and study, then before long we tend to not miss it. This leads to becoming confused about whether something came from God or man. Why do you think there is a “gender identity crisis” in the world? People have drifted away from God’s word. We cannot afford to let this happen. I urge you once again with the words of inspiration: “Therefore we must pay much closer attention to what we have heard, lest we drift away from it” (Heb. 2:1)—

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**IF YOU USE A SONG BOOK OR BIBLE FROM THE PEW RACK,
PLEASE LEAVE IT IN THE SEAT FOLLOWING WORSHIP.**

REMINDER: "All individuals in Ohio must wear facial coverings in public at all times when ...at an indoor location that is not a residence". The order only requires those 10 years old or older to wear a mask" (<https://ohio.gov/wps/portal/gov/site/media-center/news-and-events/covid19-update-07222020>). Additional exclusions are posted on the foyer bulletin board.

IN OUR PRAYERS: Jerry & Erma Endly, Dean Huprich, Cathy Jackson, Bruce Johnson, Gary & Debbie Jones, Lois Knight, Rick Lambert, and Flavil Miller.

SHUT-INS: Audrey Burns, Nancy Love, and Jack Mitchell.

FAMILY AND FRIENDS: **Nellie Bichard, Weston Boulet** (great-grandson of Shirley Patterson), **Carter Campbell** (John and Marys Smith's grandson), **Bob & Donna Henthorn** (Laura Jamiel's parents), **Collene Keister** (Mo Smith's sister), **Justin King** (Debera McGath's son-in-law), **Linda Potts** (Joyce Starrett's sister-in-law), **Mona Stoffer** (Flavil Miller's daughter), **Mitch Vick, Bob & Marge Watson, Jaycee Weber** 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 boxes or leave it on the seat. Allow us to answer any questions you may have.

ANNOUNCEMENTS:

- **Norm Behrendt** fell after services Sunday evening and has a broken thumb on his right hand and broken ring finger and pinky on his left hand.
- **Debra McGath** and her daughter would like to thank the congregation for the cards.
- **Ellen Stottsberry** is dealing Shingles.
- *We extend our sympathy to the family of **Shirley Patterson** who passed away on Friday.*
- **Addy Reed** is four-year old girl and is in her third year of a fight with cancer. Her parents would like a Christmas card shower for her to help take her mind off of things. Her address is: 53315 Fry Road. Pleasant City, OH. 43772

REMINDERS:

- ❖ Let John know of any changes needed to our *Family & Friends* prayer list.
- ❖ Remember our library.

TODAY'S LESSONS

AM: The Danger of Lying (2 Thes. 2:9-12).

PM: Walk Worthy of the Lord -3 (Psa. 1:1-6).

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