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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).

REVIVING OUR LOVE FOR GOD'S WORD (2).

Psalm 119:97-98

INTRODUCTION:

1. The title for this lesson, "Reviving Our Love for the Word", carries with it an ominous implication as the notion of *reviving* suggests what once was living has died and needs brought to life once more.
2. I wish to continue demonstrating that God's word is worthy of our love and then to show how our obedience is what demonstrates our love for God's word.

III. GOD'S WORD IS WORTHY OF OUR LOVE BECAUSE OF WHAT IT REVEALS ABOUT THE PRESENT.

- A. Each one of us has a past, present and future and we must one day give an account for what we have done-good or bad (2 Cor. 5:10).
- B. I love God's word because it reveals my responsibilities for the present and gives me a glimpse into what awaits contingent upon my behavior now.
 1. The Bible tells us how to properly worship God (cf. Jn. 4:24).
 2. The Bible tells us how we are to treat those around us.
 - a. "The Golden Rule" (Mt. 7:12).
 - b. Forgiving – And be ye kind one to another, tenderhearted, forgiving one another, even as God for Christ's sake hath forgiven you (Eph. 4:32).
 3. Because of God's word we know about:
 - a. **Grace**: describes God's reaching out to us; extending Himself towards us because He loves us (cf. Titus 2:11; Jn. 1:12).
 - b. **Mercy**: pity, compassion. God is rich in mercy (Eph. 2:4).
 - c. **Peace**: When all essential parts are joined, harmony (Rom. 15:33; 16:20).
 - d. **Love**: not mere emotional attachment, but rather, active good will, where the best interest of the other is in view (cf. Jn. 3:16; 15:15).
 - e. **Salvation**: All the information you and I possess regarding salvation has come from God's word. Not from nature or philosophical musings originating in the mind of man.

4. The religion of God is a taught religion (John 6:44-45).
 - a. Cornelius (Acts 11:14).
 - b. The Ethiopian Eunuch (Acts 8:35).
 - c. The Philippian jailor (Acts 16:32).

IV. GOD’S WORD IS WORTHY OF OUR LOVE BECAUSE OF WHAT IT REVEALS ABOUT THE FUTURE.

- A. Question: What lies in your future? Tomorrow, next week, next year, 10 years? How long will you live?
- B. None of us knows the answer and such uncertainty can be cause for anxiety. I know this much, none of us will get out of this world alive (cf. Heb. 9:27).
 1. There are but two possible eternal destinations: Heaven or Hell.
 2. Earth will be burned up (2 Pet. 3:10;). No purgatory, no second chance—it’s one or the other for eternity (Jn. 5:28-29; Mt. 25:46)!

V. OUR LOVE FOR GOD’S WORD (written or spoken) IS MANIFESTED BY OUR OBEDIENCE.

- A. Losses through Disobedience.
 1. Paradise Lost for Mankind (Gen. 3:6-11).
 2. Canaan Lost for Moses (Num. 20).
 3. Lives Lost for Nadab and Abihu (Lev. 10).
- B. Our Bible Heroes were Exemplified by Obedience (Heb. 11).
- C. Jesus (Heb. 5:8)
- D. Exhortations to Love God’s Word (Psa. 1:1-2; 119:46-48, 163; Rom. 1:16).

CONCLUSION:

1. God’s word, the Bible, is certainly worthy of our love for as Peter stated: “His divine power has granted to us **all things** that pertain to **life and godliness**, through **knowledge** of him who called us to his own glory and excellence” (2 Pet. 1:3).
2. This knowledge comes to us solely through God’s inspired, inerrant, all-sufficient word, the Bible.
3. We show our love for God and His word when we faithfully obey it; (Jn. 14:15).

COVID-19 NUMBERS ARE ONCE AGAIN CLIMBING IN GUERNSEY COUNTY. WE STRONGLY RECOMMEND THAT YOU WEAR A MASK DURING SERVICES.

There are masks available at the rear of the auditorium.

IN OUR PRAYERS: Jerry & Erma Endly, Cathy Jackson, Bruce Johnson, Gary & Debbie Jones, Rick Lambert, Kathy Mayo, Flavil Miller.	SHUT-INS: Audrey Burns, Jack Mitchell, and Shirley Patterson.
FAMILY AND FRIENDS: John Berger (friend of the Wayble's), Nellie Bichard, Weston Boulet, (great-grandson of Shirley Patterson), Carter Campbell (John and Marys Smith's grandson), Dan Doudna (Wilma Roe's relative), Bob & Donna Henthorn (Laura Jamiel's parents), Collene Keister, (Mo Smith's sister), Bob Main, Linda Potts (Joyce Starrett's sister-in-law), Shirley Roe, Mona Stoffer (Flavil Miller's daughter), Mitch Vick, Bob & Marge Watson and remember to pray for one another .	

Welcome!

To our visitors, please fill out one of the blue cards and place it in one the collection boxes at the rear of the auditorium.

ANNOUNCEMENTS:

- **Rick Lambert** has a few more radiation treatments and then surgery in a few weeks. He wishes to thank those who have sent cards and well-wishes.
- **Russ Singleton** had back surgery on Friday and is recovering at home.
- Our *Summer Series* continues this Wednesday with **Dan Kessinger**. His Lesson is on "The Mount of Transfiguration". The lessons thus far have been excellent! Please make an effort to attend these and be enriched.
- Men's **BUSINESS MEETING** this evening at 5:30.

REMINDERS:

- ✓ I am continuing FB live Bible studies on Thursday evenings at 7 pm. We are studying the Gospel of Luke and will pick up at Luke 1:39—*JK*.
- ✓ Don't forget about our library.
- ✓ If there are any changes needed to our **Family & Friends** prayer list please let John know-Thank you.

TODAY'S LESSONS

AM: Reviving Our Love for God's Word (2) (Psa. 119:97-98).

PM: The Rapture Exposed (1 Thes. 4:13-18).

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