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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)

KNOWING GOD

INTRODUCTION: Heb. 8:8-12

1. How do we get to know someone?

2. What about God? Is it enough to be familiar with Him, or is something more involved?

I. TO KNOW GOD HAS ALWAYS BEEN VITAL (Heb. 8:8-12).

A. Under the Old Covenant (8-11a).

A.1. How was one born into God's family?

A.1.a. Answer is in the question— "born" into the Cov. relationship by physical birth to the descendants of the Israelites.

A.1.b. If parents Jews, children Jews by virtue of birth.

A.2. Why did one have to be taught to know the Lord?

A.2.a. Children born into cov relation and did not know why they were in that relationship.

A.2.b. Not everyone under the OT knew the Law

A.2.c. They would have to be taught in order to become familiar with their God whose Cov. they were already under from birth.

B. Under the New Covenant (11b-12).

B.1. How was one born into God's family?

B.1.a. Taught by the Lord (Isa. 54:13; Jn. 6:44-45).

B.1.b. One must already know God to become part of His kingdom (cf. Jn. 14:1-6, 15; Heb. 11:6).

B.1.c. Everyone is invited (Mt. 11:28-30; Rev. 22:17)

B.2. Why does one not have to be taught to know the Lord? One must know the Lord prior to being added to the New Covenant.

C. Know God as:

C.1. Creator (Gen. 1:1).

C.2. Giver of good things (Jas. 1:17).

C.3. Our Father- (Jer. 31:9).

C.4. Righteous Judge (**Rom. 14:10-12**).

II. TO KNOW GOD IS TO OBEY GOD (1 John 2:3-4).

A. If You Know God, You Will Obey God (Acts 26:19; 2 Tim. 1:12).

B. If You Don't obey God, then you don't know God.

B.1. Pharaoh (Exo. 5:2).

B.2. Many today (Tit. 1:16).

C. How Can I Know that I Know God? (1 Jn. 2:3; Rev. 22:14).

D. Importance of Obedience (1 Sam. 15:22; cf. Mt. 7:21; Heb. 5:8-9)

CONCLUSION:

1. Knowing God is much more than a mental acknowledgement- the demons believe and tremble (Jas. 2:19).

2. Knowing God means more than being familiar with God and having 1 or 2 favorite verses about God that we pull out for any occasion.

3. Knowing God requires obeying God (1 Jn. 2:3).

WHILE SHOVELING SNOW

Roger Rush

While shoveling snow this winter I have reflected several times on a promise God made to Noah after the Flood. He said, "While the earth remains, seedtime and harvest, cold and heat, summer and winter, day and night, shall not cease" (Genesis 8:22). Considering all the hysteria about global warming and climate change which has engulfed much of the world, it is reassuring to know that God is still in charge and will be for as long as the earth stands. Spring follows winter as day follows night. From a Christian perspective, about the only predictable thing about the weather (and climate) is its unpredictability. I continue to be amazed that a scientific community which remains unable to predict next week's weather with any real degree of certainty can be so certain about the world's climate in a hundred years. When I was in elementary school the experts were warning of a coming ice age, and though I will not be around to know, I am curious as to what the experts will be predicting fifty years from now.

I have also given a lot of thought lately to how attitudes toward our Constitution and attitudes toward the Bible parallel one another. Many constitutional "scholars" argue that the Constitution is a living document which changes with the times. By way of example, the original intent of our founding fathers to provide for a nation where there would be "freedom of religion" is now interpreted to mean "freedom from religion." This nation's history has deep roots in the quest for religious freedom. Those first pilgrims fled to the New World in search of religious freedom. That desire was enshrined in our founding document, yet our religious freedoms are slowly being eroded away because the Constitution is being reinterpreted to produce a secular society where religion is relegated to the margins.

Among many liberal Biblical "scholars" a similar attitude prevails. For liberals the Bible is a living document which must change and adapt to a changing culture. Rather than the Bible serving as a transformative force to change culture, culture is seeking to reinterpret the Bible to support changing morals. Thus, because culture demands it, women must be given a greater leadership role in the church, homosexuality must not simply be tolerated, but openly embraced, giving us "gay marriage" and a "fluid concept of gender." The sanctity of life is denied, and women are given free reign to have their babies killed in the womb in the name of choice. And there is no such thing as chastity anymore!

The politically correct crowd now call the shots. As a result, both the Constitution and the Bible are being watered down. This will lead to decay and then destruction. We would all benefit by following God's mandate for Scripture: "Everything that I command you, you shall be careful to do. You shall not add to it

or take from it” (Deuteronomy 12:32). Our judges and politicians would be well advised to apply the same principle to our Constitution.

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: Diann Bachmann, Betsy Cooke, Jerry & Erma Endly, Mike Grove, Angela Herald, Cathy Jackson, Bruce & Kim Johnson, Gary & Debbie Jones, and Rick Lambert.

SHUT-INS:
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), Colleen Kiester (Mo Smith’s sister), Linda Potts (Joyce Starrett’s sister-in-law), Addy Reed, 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 boxes or leave it on the seat. Allow us to answer any questions you may have.

ANNOUNCEMENTS:

BUSINESS MEETING this evening at 5:30 for the men.

REMINDERS:

- ❖ Remember to submit any questions or topics you would like addressed from the pulpit.
- ❖ Let John know of any changes to our *Friends and Family* prayer_list.

TODAY'S LESSONS

AM: Knowing God (Hebrews 8:8-12).

PM: Our Response to God (Deut. 6:3-5).

Bible Study	AM Worship	PM Worship	Wednesday	Contribution
34	58	30	32	\$2363

Therefore I love thy commandments above gold; yea, above fine gold. Therefore I esteem all thy precepts concerning all things to be right; and I hate every false way (Psalm 119: 127-128).