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# CHURCH OF CHRIST



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## SCHEDULE OF SERVICES SUNDAY:

Bible Classes.....6:00 p.m.

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## WELCOME!

We invite you to all of our services.

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

## **BIBLE: LOST BIBLE**

## **INTRODUCTION**: 2 Chron. 34:14-21; (cf. 2 Kin. 22:8-13).

- 1. Background and context of this passage.
  - A. 8 y/o King Josiah (Judah—639-609), g-son of Manasseh, son of Amon.
  - B. "While he was yet young, he began to seek after . . . God (2 Chr. 34:3).
- 2. I am saddened today that the Bible is lost to:
  - A. Our public school system/ government.[children taught humans are animals]
  - B. Moslems have taken the Koran instead.
  - C. Communists in that the writings of Karl Marx are accepted instead.
  - D. Many religionists have shredded its truths so that they are no longer recognizable as they were originally given. Humanism, scientology, etc.
  - E. I am thankful today that the Bible is still precious to many.
    - 1) To this congregation:
    - 2) To so many in this nation & in foreign lands wherein it is highly sought and deeply treasured.
  - F. However, in our study let us note some places/ways where Bible is lost today.

## **DISCUSSION**:

## I. THE HOME.

- A. Current Situation
  - 1. Where are parents who will teach children God's Word (books of Bible-memory verses).
  - 2. Where are the families in which it is a high priority that everyone is taught God's Word?
  - 3. We don't want another situation like Judges 2:10.
- B. Timothy's Situation (2 Tim. 1:5; 3:14,15.
- C. Desired Situation.
  - 1. Should be like Dt. 6:6-7.
  - 2. Paul— (Eph. 6:4).
  - 3. The instilling of moral fiber that used to take place in the home is now being taught in our public school systems.

## II. THE PULPIT.

- A. Lost Bible Predicted (2 Tim. 4:1-4).
- B. Lost Bible Prevented (1 Tim. 4:16; 1 Pet. 4:11; Pro. 4:2; Titus 2:1).

#### III. IN EMOTIONALISM.

- A. Satan Plays on our Emotions.
  - 1. Much emphasis on "feeling" that <u>learning</u> seems to matter not
  - 2. Taught we must "feel right" in some abstract way, rather than study the factual word of God to be right.
- B. God Appeals to Our Intellect.
  - 1. John 6:44-45, 63; (2 Thes. 2:14).
  - 2. Titus 2:11,12. Grace of God brings two things:
    - a. Salvation
    - b. Teaches us to live righteously, NOW.

#### IV. IN SENSATIONALISM.

- A. Simon the Sorcerer (Acts 8:9-11).
- B. Pentecostalism/holiness movements

#### V. IN ACADEMIA.

- A. So-called "scholars" have long rejected the truth of Scripture and ridiculed the faithful.
- B. Paul dealt with them. These "knowing" ones in Corinth could not fathom the doctrine of a "dead savior" (1 Cor. 1:18-21).
- C. Paul, on the other hand preached simply (cf. 1 Cor. 2:1-5.).

## VI. IN DIVISION.

- A. Unity of the Body (1 Cor. 10:16-17).
- B. Unity of the Doctrine (1 Cor. 10:20-21). Must divide over matters of doctrine must do the will of God!

## VII.IN UNCONCERN.

- A. Laodiceans (Rev. 3:15-17).
- B. Avoid "Monomania". Heb. 2:1-3.
- C. Mt. 16:26)?

## **CONCLUSION**:

- 1. What do we do about it?
  - A. Don't let another generation come and go w/o knowing God.
  - B. Don't let our Bibles become a coaster on the coffee table.
  - C. Demand BIBLE preaching and teaching.
  - D. Don't confuse emotionalism for spiritualism.
- 2. Can we really do it? YES WE CAN!!!!

## Welcome!

We are thankful for your presence. To our visitors, please fill out one of the blue cards and place it in one the collection plates.

AM Bible Study: Philemon 1f

**AM**: The Lost Bible (2 Chronicles 34:14-19).

PM: Three Strikes; You're Out (Nahum 3:14-19)!

Wednesday Bible Study: Revelation 12:16f

#### **ANNOUNCEMENTS:**

- ➤ **Hayden Douglas** is scheduled for shoulder surgery this Wednesday.
- ➤ Letha Warner's (Erma Endly's daughter-in-law) biopsies were negative.
- ➤ **POTTER Children's Home** will be here Wednesday around 3:30 for commodity and change can pick-up.

#### **REMINDERS**:

- ❖ May 21-25—Our Gospel Meeting with Phil Grear. Potluck on 21st
- ❖ Oct. 7—*Men's Encouragement Day* here with **Roger Rush**.
- Several area events are posted on the bulletin board.

IN OUR PRAYERS: Diann Bachmann, Betsy Cook, Erma Endly, Mike & Karen Grove, Cathy Jackson, Bruce & Kim Johnson, Gary Jones, Rick Lambert, Jody Main, Carol Mitchell, Bev Singleton, Linda Steele, Helena Tewksbury, Jean Whitley, and Randy Yost.

**SHUT-INS**: Debbie Jones, Nancy Love,

<u>FAMILY AND FRIENDS</u>: Weston Boulet (great-grandson of Shirley Patterson), Betty Cox (Diann Bachmann's sister), Melanie Harper, T.J. Hart, Trudy Kerby, Linda Potts (Joyce Starrett's sister-in-law), Kellie Price (Richard Mayo's cousin), Addy Reed, Rodney Reeves (Erica Cunningham's father), John Rockhold, Conrad Schultz, Leatha Warner (Erma Endly's daughter-in-law), the U.S.A., Ukraine and remember to pray for one another.

AM STUDY	SUNDAY AM	SUNDAY PM	WED. STUDY	GIVING (\$2,460)
34	53	35	36	\$1,711