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SCHEDULE OF SERVICES

SUNDAY:

Bible Classes.....9:45 a.m.
Morning Worship.....10:30 a.m.
Evening Worship.....6:00 p.m.

WEDNESDAY:

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

Roger Rush, Minister

WELCOME!

We invite you to all of our services.

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

A GUIDE TO BIBLE STUDY

Most Americans say they read the Bible on a regular basis. Yet, many acknowledge difficulty understanding the text. Bible study is commendable. Paul challenged Timothy, “Study to show thyself approved unto God, a workman that needeth not to be ashamed, rightly dividing the word of truth” (2 Timothy 2:15 KJV). I would like to suggest some things that will help you to study the Bible more effectively.

First, the Bible never contradicts itself. Any interpretation which sets one passage against another cannot be correct. If the Bible is God’s book, it is absurd to suggest that there are contradictions within it! Any conclusions drawn from one passage must not contradict what is taught in another.

Second, to understand a passage of Scripture it must be studied in its context. Discover all you can about the passage by reading what comes before and after it. If possible, determine who said it, to whom it was said, when it was said, where it was said, and why it was said. “A text taken out of context is only a pretext!”

Third, discover all that the Bible has to say on any subject before drawing a conclusion. You must remember that all that God has to say on a subject is almost never found in just one verse or passage. For instance, there are three accounts of the conversion of Saul of Tarsus (Acts 9, 22, 26). Only when all three accounts are studied can we have the full picture of his conversion. So it is on almost every Bible subject.

Fourth, recognize that some things are more difficult to understand than others. Peter said of Paul’s writings, he wrote some things “hard to be understood” (2 Peter

3:16). By this I do not mean to minimize the importance of some sections of God's word, but there is a right place and a wrong place to begin our study. Too many people begin in Revelation when they should begin in Matthew. A knowledge of the simple is required before one can understand the complex.

Finally, it is not possible to understand the Bible differently. When two people disagree about the meaning of any text, it is possible that both are wrong, but both cannot be right. Differences arise from misunderstanding the text, not from understanding it differently!

Read the Bible through as you would any other book. Approach your study methodically, prayerfully, and with an open mind, and God will reward your efforts.

---Roger

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

ANNOUNCEMENTS:

Hazel Leep new address: 520 Taylor Ave. Apt. 3, Cambridge, Oh 43725. Phone: 740.319.3987

Message from Bruce Daugherty: a young Physical Therapist, and church member is looking to move into the area, he is looking for a place to buy or rent, if anyone knows of anything see Randy Cunningham for more information.

Please Welcome Alan Wells
this morning for morning and evening services.

<u>IN OUR PRAYERS:</u> Kevin Adkins, Diann Bachmann, Betsy Cook, Erma Endly, Mike & Karen Grove, Gary Jones, Rick Lambert, Jody Main, Carol Mitchell, Linda Steele, Helena Tewksbury, Hazel Leep			<u>SHUT-INS:</u> Debbie Jones, Nancy Love, and Randy Yost	
<u>FAMILY AND FRIENDS:</u> Bill and Peggy Albright (friend of the Starrett's), Weston Boulet (great-grandson of Shirley Patterson), Betty Cox (Diann Bachmann's sister), Ryleigh Farson , Linda Potts (Joyce Starrett's sister-in-law), Addy Reed , Rodney Reeves (Erica Cunningham's father), John Rockhold , John Shipley (New Concord), Conrad Schultz , and remember to pray for one another .				
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REMINDERS:

- ❖ New Directories will be printed, please see Jennifer Douglas if you would like a copy.