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## IMPORTANT INFO

- We are thankful to God for this new Lord's Day. It is the day we honor His Son and the Love that He has shown us through Him. Let us worship in spirit and in truth!
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## The Sacrifice of Praise

As Christians, we praise God. We do so in spoken word, in song, and in other worship. Do we understand what it means to praise God? Do we know what we are doing when we offer "the sacrifice of praise?"

In the Old Testament, there are different Hebrew words for "praise." These different words indicate different nuances of meaning. There are at least five concepts behind the words for praise: thanksgiving, joy or rejoicing, adoration or worship, blessing and boasting. When we praise God, we do these things.

1) When we praise God we give thanks. The Bible is filled with the language of gratitude. Psalm 106:1 reads "Praise ye the LORD. O give thanks unto the LORD; for he is good: for his mercy endureth for ever." Hebrews 13:15 also teaches the relationship between thanksgiving and praise: "By him therefore let us offer the sacrifice of praise to God continually, that is, the fruit of our lips giving thanks to his name." Undoubtedly, praise involves thanksgiving.

2) Praise also involves joy. Psalm 98:4 declares, "Make a joyful noise unto the LORD,

all the earth: make a loud noise, and rejoice, and sing praise." In Luke 19:37 we see the two concepts used to extol Jesus in the triumphal entry. The text says, "...the whole multitude of the disciples began to rejoice and praise God with a loud voice for all the mighty works that they had seen." When the Christian appropriately praises the Lord, he does so with joy in his heart.

3) The concept of praise means we also love. We can see the love for God of Paul and Silas as they sang praises in the jail at Philippi (Acts 16:25). The man at the gate called Beautiful no doubt was filled with love for God when he was healed. The text says, "And he leaping up stood, and walked, and entered with them into the temple, walking, and leaping, and praising God" (Acts 3:8). Love and praise go hand in hand.

4) Blessing is also involved in praise. Psalm 145 is a song of praise. It declares: "Every day will I bless thee; and I will praise thy name for ever and ever" (145:2). "All thy works shall praise thee, O LORD; and thy saints shall bless thee" (145:10). "My mouth shall speak the praise of the LORD: and let all flesh bless

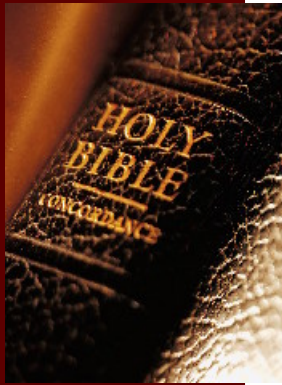
his holy name for ever and ever" (145:21). When we praise God, we bless God as well.

5) When we praise God we boast of His greatness. The Psalmist writes, "In God we boast all the day long, and praise thy name for ever" (Psalm 44:8). Consider Paul's words in Romans 11:33 "O the depth of the riches both of the wisdom and knowledge of God! how unsearchable are his judgments, and his ways past finding out!" Here is a praise of exclamation that boasts of God's greatness. God is truly worthy of our boasting. Jeremiah wrote by inspiration, "But let him that glorieth glory in this, that he understandeth and knoweth me, that I am the LORD which exercise lovingkindness, judgment, and righteousness, in the earth: for in these things I delight, saith the LORD" (Jeremiah 9:24).

Praising God is an important part of the faithful Christian's life. Let's resolve to know what we are doing when we offer praise to God. It will both improve our worship and our spiritual lives.

Kevin Cauley

## Bible Studies for the Week of October 15th, 2006



AM Sermon.....	Politics
Scripture Reading .....	1 Peter 2:13-17
PM Sermon .....	Studies in Genesis—The Call of Abram
Scripture Reading .....	Genesis 12:1-3
Sunday Class .....	Ethics and Morality
Wednesday Class .....	TBA
Ladies Bible Class .....	The Book of Titus
Nursing Home Bible Study.....	The Book of John

*“Why are these people so insistent on going to worship?”*



## Loving Christians Attend Worship

Loving Christians want to be at church every time the congregation meets. They love worshiping God and being with others who worship him. They don't allow other activities in their schedule to keep them from attending. They even don't allow out-of-town visitors to keep them from worship. They want to be with Christians in worship even when they are away from home. They try to find a congregation and worship wherever they go.

Why are these people so insistent on going to worship? Here are four reasons:

First, they desire to express their love to God. Worship is one of the means we say to God, "I love you!" When we worship, we are meeting with God. Matthew 18:20 reminds us that

wherever two or three are gathered together, "there am I in the midst of them."

When the church meets, God meets with them.

Second, they believe being with the church glorifies God. Psalm 29:2 says, "Give unto the Lord the glory due His name; Worship the Lord in the beauty of holiness." There is a difference between a person who claims to follow Christ and one who publicly meets with his saints. Those who attend show their love and loyalty to the Lord; and those who forsake the assembling give their support to other things.

Third, attending worship is an interactive experience between believers. In Hebrews 10:24, the writer encourages us "to stimulate one another to love and good works." The example of love shown by other

Christians makes our own hearts bolder to love and to do more.

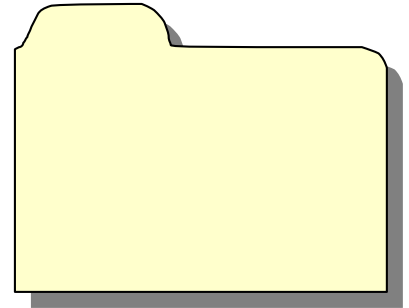
Fourth, worship builds us up in Christ. William Temple said, "To worship is to quicken the conscience by the holiness of God, to feed the mind with the truth of God, to purge the imagination by the beauty of God, to open the heart to the love of God, to devote the will to the purpose of God." The more we give our hearts to God, the more we grow in faith and love, the more we become like God, and the more we are willing to serve God before other.

Let's determine to be loving Christians and attend worship at every opportunity.

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Contribution.....	\$1647.83
Budget.....	\$1743.39



### Kevin's Korner

Since school has started back up this year, I've started doing some volunteer work in Charlie's classroom. My times for volunteering have worked out to be Wednesday afternoons starting around 1:40 and ending when school ends. This past Wednesday, the class was studying maps and so I brought up several dozen different maps that I have collected from all of our travels and each student got to unfold and look at a map. You would have thought that it was Christmas. We studied the compass rose, the index, the legend, the scale, and various map symbols as well. It was quite a lot of fun. The last two weeks Ken and I have been playing racquetball. The first of these two past weeks, Ken took me apart slowly and painfully. This past week, it was my turn to win a bit. Interestingly enough, this past Thursday I had the racquet that Ken had the week before

and Ken had the racquet that I had the week before. Hmm! I'm going to try to get there first from now on so I can get the good racquet! It is, of course, always enjoyable to play regardless of who wins, and we get great exercise, which is the goal. We had a great men's breakfast yesterday morning. Several men came and we enjoyed biscuits, gravy, sausage, and all the fixin's. Much appreciation to Rusty Windle and Bill Fort who did the cooking for the morning and to Dan Hand who washed the dishes! We appreciate their efforts.

A couple of weeks ago as I was on my way to the community center, I stumbled across some interesting looking nuts lying on the ground. I picked up a few and took them with me. When I got the community center that morning, I looked them up on the Internet and discovered

them to be Buckeyes. A few days later, Austin was with me and we stopped and picked up quite a few of these large seeds that are quite delightful in appearance. Doing further research upon them, I learned that they had within them a certain poison. While the research that I conducted said that the poison isn't easily ingested by humans, it seemed to be severely toxic to fish! In fact, poachers have collected these nuts to throw into lakes and ponds in order to disorient fish so that they could easily catch them. How similar is that to the work of Satan? He also seeks to disorient us with his poisonous methods so that we will be easier to catch as well! Paul said, "we are not ignorant of his devices" (2 Corinthians 2:11). Like the Buckeye, Satan's wares may appear delightful, but contain poison. Let's not be destroyed for lack of knowledge! (Hosea 4:6)

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## Announcements

- Please remember in prayer: Joann Bragg, Trish Foster, Dustin Guess, Jimmy Guess, Opal Hull, Phil Newby, Charlene Pinkley, Eunice Whitely.
- We're happy to announce that brother Bob Mears placed membership with us this past Sunday. Brother Mears comes to us from the Bellefonte church of Christ in Harrison, AR.
- We collected \$4200 for the Truth for Today mission work last Sunday morning.
- Our monthly potluck is this morning after services. All are invited to attend.
- If you ordered CDs at the lecture-ship this past July, they are on the back left table in the back of the auditorium.
- The latest issue of Voice of Truth International is also available in the back of the auditorium.
- There will be a costume party at the Windle's house on Saturday October 21st starting at 6:00 PM. All ages are invited to attend.
- Our fifth Sunday singing at the nursing home is the 29th, please make your plans to be with us.
- Don't forget that time change is coming up on the 29th also! Fall back!
- Our pantry item is: Pancake Mix.

## God's Salvation Plan

1. **Hear** the Gospel—Romans 10:17
2. **Believe** on the Lord & His Word—Mark 16:16; John 8:24
3. **Repent** of your sins—Luke 13:3,5; Acts 17:30
4. **Confess** Christ—Matthew 10:32,33; Luke 12:8; Romans 10:9
5. **Be Baptized** for the remission of sins—Acts 2:38; Mark 16:16; Galatians 3:27
6. Live a **faithful**, dedicated life—Revelation 2:10; 2 Peter 1:5-10

# Welcome!

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## Times for Worship and Study

Sunday Morning Bible Class: .....	9:30 AM
Sunday Morning Worship:.....	10:20 AM
Sunday Evening Worship: .....	6:00 PM
Wed. Ladies Bible Class: .....	10:30 AM
Wed. Evening Bible Class: .....	7:00 PM

## Serving Each Other

October 15th, 2006

October 22nd, 2006

### Sunday Morning

<b>Songs:</b>	Bill Fort	Ken Smith
<b>Preaching:</b>	Kevin Cauley	Kevin Cauley
<b>Opening Prayer:</b>	Bruce Foster	Kelly Ray Webb
<b>Scripture Reading:</b>	Leon Duncan	Jerry Roller
<b>Lord's Table</b>	Dan Hand	John Gass
	Rusty Windle	Bruce Foster
(assist)	John Gass	Ray Duncan
	Matt Morrell	Benjamin Windle
<b>Closing Prayer</b>	Glenn Williams	Bill Fort

### Sunday Evening

<b>Songs:</b>	Rusty Windle	Bruce Foster
<b>Preaching:</b>	Kevin Cauley	Kevin Cauley
<b>Opening Prayer:</b>	Ray Duncan	Dan Hand
<b>Scripture Reading:</b>	Perry Foster	Bruce Foster
<b>Lord's Table</b>	Leon Duncan	Dale Pinkley
	Benjamin Windle	John Gass
<b>Closing Prayer</b>	Dan Hand	Brandon Foster

### Wednesday

<b>Songs:</b>	Glenn Quigley	Kevin Cauley
<b>Opening Prayer:</b>	Leon Duncan	Dan Hand
<b>Invitation:</b>	Rusty Windle	Bruce Foster
<b>Closing Prayer:</b>	George Eddings	Ray Duncan

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