

4th & Stewart church of Christ

"...upon this rock I will build my church;
and the gates of hell shall not prevail against it."
~ Matthew 16:18



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Meeting Times:

Sunday:

Bible Study9:45 AM
Worship10:40 AM
Care, Inc. Service 2:30 PM
Worship 6:00 PM

Wednesday:

Ladies Bible Class.10:00 AM
Bible Study 7:00 PM

Elders:

Gene Bannister..... Billy Chism

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Mike Bannister..... Don Smith

James Thomas

Preacher:

Johnny McCaghren

Works We Support:

Cherokee Home for Children
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FORTY THINGS WE ALL NEED TO KNOW ABOUT SALVATION

It is important to note that in the Scriptures salvation is attributed to a number of factors. No one passage sets forth everything that is involved in one's salvation, but while more may be required than a single passage states, nothing less than what is stated in a passage is necessary for salvation. For example, we are saved by grace through faith (Eph. 2:8-9), but that does not negate the fact that we also are saved by baptism (Mark 16:16; 1 Pet. 3:21). Following are forty things we all need to know about salvation.

1. All have sinned and are in need of salvation (Rom. 3:23).
2. God planned before time began to provide salvation through Jesus Christ (2 Tim. 1:8-11; Titus 1:1-3).
3. Salvation is made possible according to the eternal purpose which God purposed in Christ Jesus our Lord (Eph. 3:11).
4. Throughout the ages of Old Testament history God was preparing mankind for the coming of Christ into the world to save mankind (Gen. 3:15; 12:1-3; Deut. 18:15-18; Gal. 3:16; 4:6).
5. Through numerous Old Testament types, shadows, pictures, and prophecies the redeeming work of Christ was set forth (1 Pet. 1:10-12; Heb. 7:1-10:25).
6. God is our savior and desires all people to be saved (1 Tim. 2:3-4).
7. Christ Jesus came into the world to save sinners (Matt. 1:21; Luke 19:10; 1 Tim. 3:15).
8. Salvation is possible because of the death of Christ and His subsequent life following His resurrection (Rom. 5:6-10; Heb. 7:25).
9. Salvation is by the grace and mercy of God (Eph. 2:8-9; Titus 3:4-7).
10. Salvation is by faith (Eph. 2:8-9; Rom. 5:1).
11. Salvation is by the blood of Christ (Matt. 26:28; Rom. 5:9; Eph. 1:7).
12. We are saved by the gospel of Christ (Rom. 1:16-17; 1 Cor. 15:1-4).
13. Salvation is in the name of Christ (Acts 4:11-12).
14. Not everyone will be saved (Matt. 7:13-14, 21; 2 Thess. 1:6-10; Rev. 21:8).
15. Salvation depends on one's obedience to Christ and the gospel (Matt. 7:21; Rom. 6:16-18; Heb. 5:8-9).
16. Salvation requires that one be born again of water and the Spirit (John 3:3-5).

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I beseech you therefore, brethren, by the mercies of God, that you present your bodies a living sacrifice, holy, acceptable to God, which is your reasonable service. And **do not be conformed to this world**, but be transformed by the renewing of your mind, that you may prove what is that good and acceptable and perfect will of God.
Romans 12:1-2

Let us know if you want to study
the Bible to know more about
Christ and His Church.

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17. The word of God is able to save our souls (James 1:21).
18. In order to be saved one must hear and understand the gospel (Matt. 28:19-20; Mark 16:15; Rom. 10:17; 1 Cor. 18:8; cf. Mark 4:12).
19. Salvation is dependent on faith in God and believing that Jesus Christ is the Son of God (Heb. 11:6; John 8:24; 14:6).
20. Salvation demands genuine repentance of all sin (Luke 13:3-5; Acts 3:19; 17:30; 2 Pet. 3:9).
21. Salvation requires a confession of one's faith in Christ as the Son of God (Matt. 10:32-33; Acts 8:37 [KJV; NKJV]; Rom. 10:9-10).
22. Baptism is necessary to salvation (Mark 16:15-16; Acts 2:38; 22:16; Gal. 3:26-27; 1 Pet. 3:21).
23. Salvation requires being buried with Christ in baptism and being raised from the waters of baptism to walk in newness of life (Rom. 6:1-6).
24. One is saved by calling on the name of the Lord (Acts 2:21; 22:16).
25. In order to be saved, one must obey from the heart that form of teaching (doctrine) to which he was delivered (Rom. 6:16-18).
26. Salvation is not by meritorious works of human righteousness (Titus 3:4-7).
27. Salvation is by works of obedience to the will of God and not by faith only (Acts 10:34-35; James 2:24; Heb. 5:8-9).
28. Salvation exists in three stages: a) Salvation from past sins (Acts 2:38; 22:16; Rom. 6:1-7), b) Salvation in the present by remaining faithful to the Lord and continuing to walk in the light of God's word (1 John 1:8-10), c) Eternal salvation in heaven (1 Pet. 1:9; 2 Pet. 1:10-11).
29. Salvation involves being reconciled to God in the one spiritual body of Christ, the church (Eph. 2:11-22; 1:22-23; 4:4).
30. When one is saved from his past sins, he is added to the church, the body of people who have already been saved from their past sins (Acts 2:47).
31. Christ is the savior of the body, the church, and one must be a member of the church in order to have eternal salvation (Eph. 5:23).
32. When one is saved from his past sins, he is translated into the kingdom of the Son of God's love (Col. 1:13).
33. At the end of time, Christ will deliver the kingdom to God the Father, and one must be a citizen of the kingdom in order to be among those who will be presented to the Father (1 Cor. 15:24).
34. We are saved in/by hope (Rom. 8:24; Titus 1:1-3).
35. Eternal salvation in heaven depends on remaining faithful to the Lord and continuing steadfastly in service to Him (Matt. 10:22; Rev. 2:10; Acts 2:42; 1 Cor. 15:58).
36. One can forfeit his or her salvation and fall away from the Lord, fall from grace, and be eternally lost (1 Cor. 10:12; Gal. 5:4; Heb. 3:12).
37. Eternal salvation depends on being repentant of the sins we commit as Christians and confessing those sins (Acts 8:22; 1 John 1:9).
38. As Christians we must make our calling and election sure, so that we may have an abundant entrance into the everlasting kingdom of our Lord and Savior Jesus Christ (2 Pet. 1:10-11).
39. Eternal salvation will be realized in everlasting life in heaven (Phil. 3:20-21; 2 Cor. 5:1; John 14:1-3).
40. Those who reject God's gracious offer of salvation through Christ and those who forfeit their salvation by becoming unfaithful to the Lord will be eternally lost in hell (Matt. 25:46; 2 Thess. 1:6-10; Rev. 20:15; 21:8; Heb. 10:31).

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Television

The Truth In Love (Robert Dodson)

Sunday @ 7:00am on KTAB

In Search of the Lord's Way (Phil Sanders)

Sunday @ 7:30am on KTAB

Life In The Light (Chris McCurley)

Sunday @ 10:00am on KTAB

Radio

Preaching the Word (Michael Light)

Sunday @ 9:00am on KOXE 101.3

Internet

TheGospelRadioNetwork.org

Gospel Broadcasting Network (Gbnv.org)

God's Plan for Redeeming Man

Hear Learn the saving message of Christ's sacrifice (1 Cor. 1:18; Rom. 10:17).

Believe Jesus is the Son of God (John 8:24)

Confess Jesus as your Lord, Lawgiver, and King (Rom. 10:9-10; Matt. 10:32-33)

Repent of your sinful conduct (Luke 13:3,5)
Complete your initial obedience to the gospel by being **baptized** for the forgiveness of your sins (Acts 2:38; 22:16)

Live faithfully (Rev. 2:10; 2 Tim. 4:7-8)

Bible Reading Schedule

Apr. 22 2 Kings 17—19

Apr. 23 1 Kings 20—22

Apr. 24 1 Kings 23—25

Apr. 25 1 Chronicles 1—3 (video)

Apr. 26 1 Chronicles 4—5

Apr. 27 1 Chronicles 6—7

Apr. 28 1 Chronicles 8—10

Apr. 29 1 Chronicles 11—13

"Be diligent to present yourself approved to God, a worker who does not need to be ashamed, rightly dividing the word of truth."

(2 Timothy 2:15)



Visitation Meeting

- ◆ Each Sunday night immediately before the evening worship. Last week **38 contacts** were made.

Announcements

- ◆ The congregation will be sending \$1,000 to **Cherokee Home for Children** for **Cherokee Day**, in addition to our normal monthly contribution. If anyone would like to make an additional gift, you can put an extra check in the plate, clearly marked "For Cherokee Home", or give it directly to one of the deacons. If you would like to donate pantry items, a list of needs is on the bulletin board. Need by next Sunday. Cherokee Day is May 5.
- ◆ We will be having a **Graduation Celebration** for our **four graduating seniors** on **May 13**, following evening services. More details to come.

Upcoming Special Events at 4th & Stewart

- ◆ May 13—Graduation Celebration.
- ◆ August 14—Host Summer Youth Series.
- ◆ October 14-17—Fall Gospel Meeting with Jacob Rutledge.

Other Upcoming Opportunities to Learn and Grow

- ◆ April 27-28—Heart of Texas Ladies Retreat @ Brady
- ◆ April 28—Ladies' Day @ Comanche, "Be Still and Know that I Am God"
- ◆ April 29-May 2—Gospel Meeting at Windmill (Weatherford) w/ Wade Webster, "Tell Us Plainly"
- ◆ May 5—Cherokee Day @ Cherokee Home for Children
- ◆ May 5-10—Focal Point @ University (San Marcos).
- ◆ May 12—Ladies' Day @ Dublin, "Generations Joined in Jesus"
- ◆ May 23-28—Young Men's Development Conference @ College Station (BSC Church of Christ)
- ◆ June 17-21—Lakes Shore Drive Junior Camp (Grades 2-7)
- ◆ June 24-28—Junior Camp
- ◆ July 15-20—Senior Camp
- ◆ Aug. 3-5—Discipleship University (Dripping Springs)

I CANNOT GO TO CHURCH TODAY

"I cannot go to church today," Said little Peggy Ann McKay.
 "I have the measles and the mumps, A gash, a rash and purple bumps.
 "My mouth is wet, my throat is dry, I'm going blind in my right eye.
 "My tonsils are as big as rocks, I've counted sixteen chicken pox
 "And there's one more—that's seventeen. And don't you think my face looks green?
 "My leg is cut, my eyes are blue—It might be instamatic flu.
 "I cough and sneeze and gasp and choke, I'm sure that my left leg is broke.
 "My hip hurts when I move my chin, My belly button's caving in,
 "My back is wrenched, my ankle's sprained, My 'pendix pains each time it rains.
 "My nose is cold, my toes are numb, I have a sliver in my thumb.
 "My neck is stiff, my voice is weak, I hardly whisper when I speak.
 "My tongue is filling up my mouth, I think my hair is falling out.
 "My elbow's bent, my spine ain't straight. My temperature is one-o-eight.
 "My brain is shrunk, I cannot hear, There is a hole inside my ear.
 "I have a hangnail, and my heart is—
 "What? What's that? What's that you say? You say today is Saturday?
 "G'bye, I'm going to the mall today!"

The person plagued with the above "diseases" (excuses) for not attending the services of the church would do well to spend some time in sober reflection on the following passages.

"And they continued steadfastly in the apostles' doctrine and fellowship, in the breaking of bread and in prayers" (Acts 2:42).

"And on the first day of the week, when the disciples came together to break bread, Paul, ready to depart the next day, spoke to them and continued his message until midnight" (Acts 20:7).

"[N]ot forsaking the assembling of ourselves together, as is the manner of some, but exhorting one another, and so much the more as you see the Day approaching" (Heb. 10:25).

"Be faithful unto death, and I will give you the crown of life" (Rev. 2:10).

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Celebrate

"Rejoice with those who rejoice..." (Romans 12:15)

April Birthdays: Vicki Tallent (4), Lasha Dennis (6), Sarah Rudloff (6), Ginger King (8), Jimmie Claborn (9), Kristi Maninger (9), Becky Smith (9), Darlene Smith (10), Caroline Dennis (30).

April Anniversaries: John & Tina Barnum (8).

Mistakes? Left Out? Let Johnny know...



Records

	Apr. 8, 2018	Apr. 15, 2018
Bible Class	36	42
AM Worship	46	52
PM Worship	38	46
Wednesday PM	39	45
Contribution	\$1,808	\$1,978

	This Week: 4/22/18	Next Week: 4/29/18		
Sunday AM:	Song Leader: Mike Bannister	Song Leader: Mike Bannister	April 2018 Make Announcements: John Barnum Prepare Communion: Dennis Family Clean Building: John Barnum Family May 2018 Make Announcements: James Fuller Prepare Communion: James & Cindy Fuller Clean Building: Mike & Patti Bannister	
Greeters	Mileen & Ashley Kahlich	John Barnum Family		
Opening Prayer	Randy Huckaby	Ken Maninger		
Communion	Ryan Rudloff*, Coyce Reed James Fuller, Don Smith	Allen Griffith*, Ryan Settles Hank Wheeler, Tom Wilcox		
Closing Prayer	Tom Wilcox	Gene Bannister		
Attendance Cards	Aaron Smith	Ian Barnum		
Sunday PM:	Song Leader: Ken Maninger	Song Leader: James Fuller		
Opening Prayer	Allen Griffith	Ryan Rudloff		
Scripture Reading	Mike Bannister	Don Smith		
Communion	Ryan Rudloff	Allen Griffith		
Closing Prayer	Gene Bannister	James Fuller		
Wednesday Devotionals:	April 25 Don Smith	May 2 Prayer Night	May 9 Scripture Reading	May 16 Rafe Smith

Search the Scriptures

Be like the Bereans who "received the word with all readiness of mind, and searched the scriptures daily, whether those things were so." (Acts 17:11)

Studies for the week of April 22, 2018

Sunday Class **Romans 11:22**
 Wed. Class **Old Testament History: Genesis 23:1**

Responding to Our Culture: Not as a Chameleon

"And do not be conformed to this world, but be transformed by the renewing of your mind, that you may prove what is that good and acceptable and perfect will of God" (Rom. 12:2).

I. The Heart of the Message.

A. The danger of a corrupt culture.

- The Lord's prayer for His apostles and for those of us who believe on Him through their word (Jn. 17:1-21) reveals the awareness of the Lord Jesus relative to the corrupting influence of the world.
- The "church," those people called out of the Devil's domain by God's power in the gospel (Rom. 1:16-17; 1 Cor. 1:2-3), are called to be a *distinct* people, a *holy* people (1 Pet. 2:9).

B. The power of a transformed mind.

- The power of saints to withstand the efforts of the culture to get saints of God to identify with the culture is in the mind of the Lord's people.
- Satan seeks to corrupt the minds of God's people (2 Cor. 11:3).
 - Satan convinced Eve that she could "be as God" – he deceived her into believing that God did not really mean what He warned, "You shall surely die" (Gen. 3:4-5).
 - Those who reject the truth of God's Word are described as "ever learning and never able to come to a knowledge of the truth" (2 Tim. 3:7).

II. Messages for Today.

A. "No fellowship" means no chameleon religion.

- The Ephesian letter contrasts the true religion of the Lord with a chameleon-type religion (Eph. 5:3-4, 11).
- "When in Rome, do as the Romans do," will not work for a Christian.

B. We must follow the example of Paul and Jesus.

- Paul said, "I have become all things to all men, that I might by all means save some" (1 Cor. 9:22).
- Jesus also followed this principle of identifying with the lost to the extent that He was accused of being "a glutton and a winebibber" (Mt. 11:19).
- Jesus nor Paul associated with sinners to participate in their sins, but to gain their hearing so they could save them from their sins.

"You are the light of the world. A city that is set on a hill cannot be hidden" (Mt. 5:14)

Freedom in Christ (2) – Galatians 5:10-15

III. The Christian Walk (Chapters 5-6).

B. Freedom in Christ (5:2-15).

3. The Apostle's Response (10-12).

- I have confidence in you, in the Lord, that you will have no other mind.
 - He had not given up on them – his true confidence is "in the Lord".
 - Paul knew the fault was not so much theirs as it was the Judaizers.
- But he who troubles you shall bear his judgment, whoever he is.
- Paul inquired, *And I, brethren, if I still preach circumcision, why do I still suffer persecution?* (11).

- "If" is frequently used when the speaker does not accept the statement as factual, but acknowledges that others have alleged it.
- Paul conceded that he had formerly preached circumcision.
- If Paul still taught circumcision, *The offense of the cross has ceased.*
 - Paul is presenting the message of circumcision (the Law) and the message of the cross (the gospel) as being mutually exclusive.
 - The concept of "offense" is deep-rooted in the Bible.

d. I could wish that those who trouble you would even cut themselves off! [mutilate themselves – NASB; emasculate themselves – ESV] (12).

- Paul was not speaking metaphorically but wished that the Judaizers would actually "cut themselves off!" (see Phil. 3:2-3).

4. "Called to Liberty" (13-15).

- For you, brethren, have been called to liberty (13).
 - The theme of "liberty" corresponds to the allegory of the two covenants in chapter 4.
 - The Galatians had been "called" to liberty – they should stay free.
- Paul was urging the Galatian Christians to retain their freedom in Christ and not return to "a yoke of bondage" (5:1).
- Only do not use liberty as an opportunity for the flesh, but through love serve one another.
- For all the law is fulfilled in one word, even in this: "You shall love your neighbor as yourself" (14).
- But if you bite and devour one another, beware lest you be consumed by one another! (15).