

Church of Christ

3361 West State Street, Fremont, OH 43420

Worship Services

Sunday Bible Study	10:00 am
Sunday Worship	10:45 am
Sunday Worship	6:00 pm
Wednesday Bible Study	7:00 pm

Classes for all ages

October 11, 2020

Sunday Morning

Speaker: Ted Bowen

No Sunday Evening Worship

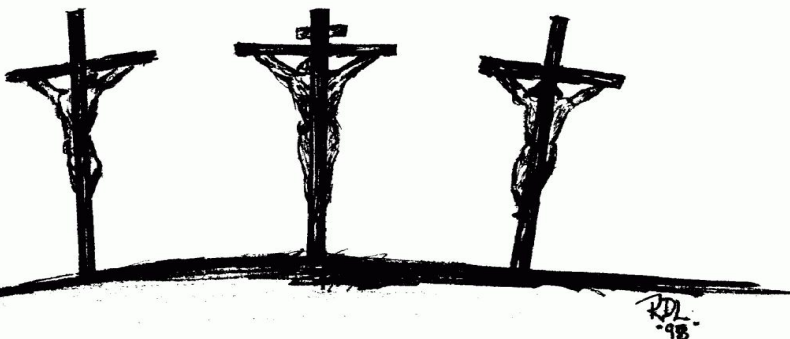
Preachers: Ted Bowen and Sean Rizor

What Must I Do To Be Saved?

1. Learn the truth (Hear) (John 8:32; 17:17; Rom 10:14-18)
2. Believe in Christ (John 8:24; 20:31; Heb 11:6)
3. Repent of all sins (Luke 13:3; Acts 17:30; Rom 2:4; 2 Cor 7:9,10)
4. Confess faith in Christ (Rom 10:10; Acts 17:30; Matt 16:16)
5. Be baptized into Christ for remission of sins (Acts 2:38; 22:16)
6. Live faithfully (Revelation 2:10)

7 THINGS TO REMEMBER DURING THE LORD'S SUPPER!

- 1 LORD. "There is one Lord." (Ephesians 4:5)
- 2 THIEVES. "There were also 2 others, criminals, led with Him to be put to death."
(Luke 23:32)
- 3 CROSSES. (Luke 23:39-43; Ephesians 1:7)
- 4 PARTS of HIS GARMENTS. "Then the soldiers, when they had crucified Jesus, took His garments and made four parts, to each soldier, a part, and also the tunic." (John 19:23)
- 5 WOUNDS. His head was crowned with thorns. His back was scourged.
His side was cut open. His hands were pierced. His feet were pierced. (John 19:20)
- 6 HOURS of AGONY. Christ was crucified at the 3rd hour and died at the 9th hour.
(Mark 15:25-37)
- 7 SAYINGS of The CROSS. (Matthew 27:46; Luke 23:34, 43-46; John 19:26-30)



Birthdays

- 4 Mason Frantz
- 7 Vicki Shue
- 8 Dustin Rowan
- 20 Janet Baker
- 25 Cory Davis
- 30 Josie Appelhans

Anniversaries

- 24 Matt & Stacy Appelhans
- 27 Sean & Stephanie Rizor

Prayer List

Kaitlin Baker
Gen Stanley
Nora Wiseman
Mary Feasel
Isaac Advey
Jean Adkins
Tracey Briggs
Jamie Hall
Kaitlyn Hall
Ashley Hall
Janet Baker
Nick Hall
Tina Smith
Kathy Grove
Paul Runion
Mary Schimming

Soldiers Serving Abroad

Cody Lyons
Mercedes Speck

WISDOM FROM ABOVE

By Jim Stauffer

"Who among you is wise and understanding? Let him show by his good behavior his deeds in the gentleness of wisdom. But if you have bitter jealousy and selfish ambition in your heart, do not be arrogant and so lie against the truth. This wisdom is not that which comes down from above, but is earthly, natural, demonic. For where jealousy and selfish ambition exist, there is disorder and every evil thing. But the wisdom from above is first pure, then peaceable, gentle, reasonable, full of mercy and good fruits, unwavering, without hypocrisy." (James 3:13 - 17)

As we see the difference between the wisdom of God and that of men we realize the words of the wise man provide the guidance we need to achieve such wisdom. When he encourages us to listen to counsel and accept discipline (Prov. 19:20), he suggests God's word is knowledge and leads to wisdom (Prov. 1:7; 2:6). That wisdom demands we practice discipline in our lives. That discipline eliminates the jealousy and selfish ambition that comes from men.

Job may well be our best biblical example of one who was able to cling to the discipline that comes from his knowledge of God even during distressful suffering. "And to man He said, 'Behold, the fear of the Lord, that is wisdom; And to depart from evil is understanding.'" (Job 28:28)

As a result man learns to revere God as He imparts to us the knowledge that leads to such wisdom. Notice the effect of a proper fear or respect of the Lord as spoken by the Psalmist, "Come, you children, listen to me; I will teach you the fear of the LORD. Who is the man who desires life And loves length of days that he may see good? Keep your tongue from evil And your lips from speaking deceit. Depart from evil and do good; Seek peace and pursue it." (Psalm 34:11 - 14)

David's integrity led him to obey God's anointed, King Saul (1 Sam. 18:5), because he sought to be blameless in the sight of God (Psa. 101:2). As a result the Lord stood by David in both the good and bad times of his life before and during the time he served as King over God's people.

When will we acknowledge the wisdom of God rather than seek to know what men have to say. Listen to what He both promised and did. "For the word of the cross is foolishness to those who are perishing, but to us who are being saved it is the power of God." "For it is written, "I WILL DESTROY THE WISDOM OF THE WISE, AND THE CLEVERNESS OF THE CLEVER I WILL SET ASIDE." (1 Corinthians 1:18,19)

In what way did He accomplish this promise? From these verses forward Paul tells us how God chose the simple things to confound the wise men of the world. In verse 21, he speaks of the "foolishness of the message preached to save those who believe." This message is not something that impresses man as the Jews were led to stumble by the spiritual nature of Christ's kingdom. And the Gentiles looked at a King who died as weak and foolish. But instead of pleasing those ideas of men, the message of the gospel is Christ crucified. Verse 27-29 tells us, "God has chosen the foolish things of the world to shame the wise, and God has chosen the weak things of the world to shame the things which are strong, and the base things of the world and the despised God has chosen, the things that are not, so that He may nullify the things that are, so that no man may boast before God." Paul says the result of this is that not many mighty, wise and noble in the eyes of men who will accept this simple gospel. Yet this simple gospel, according to the apostle Paul, "is the power of God for salvation to everyone who believes, to the Jew first and also to the Greek" (Rom. 1:16).

As we listen to the words revealed to Paul by the Holy Spirit, when do we become those who accept the wisdom from above, the word of God, which is able to save your souls (Jas. 1:21).

"Oh, the depth of the riches both of the wisdom and knowledge of God! How unsearchable are His judgments and unfathomable His ways!" (Rom. 11:33)