

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 18, 2020

Sunday Morning

Speaker: Sean Rizor

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)

MORE THAN AMAZED! (T. Sean Sullivan)

Introduction:

The mention of certain names brings negative reactions. Most people will instantly recall their records of evil-acts and destruction-when they are mentioned. The mention of other names will bring positive reactions. Most people are intrigued by their character and grand achievements. What sort of reaction does the name "Jesus" bring to your mind? Some instantly dismiss Him, and put up a wall of defense against Him; and others are comforted by every thought of Him.

There is one particular reaction that Jesus received during His life here among us. According to Matthew 7:28, the people were astonished at His words and deeds-we might say, "They were amazed".

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

What is your reaction to the name of Jesus-to His character, example, and teaching? Let's open the Scriptures and examine the great things about Jesus that should bring about the positive reaction of being amazed.

Are You More than Amazed by His Wisdom?

Many were amazed at the understanding and the answers of Jesus. Even at the age of 12, among the teachers in the temple, Jesus was answering questions with great understanding (Luke 2:46-47). In reaction, the teachers were amazed. Later, as Jesus began His work with full-focus, His reputation of spread quickly. The people who heard the "Sermon on the Mount" were amazed at His authoritative teaching (Matthew 8:28-29). The people of Nazareth were amazed at His wisdom (Matthew 13:54). The Sadducees were amazed at His answers-His teaching (Matthew 22:33).

Are you amazed at His answers, His wisdom, and His teaching? Jesus has proclaimed a better way to live this life: A way of truth (John 17:17). A way of righteousness (Matthew 7:13-14). A way of active godliness (Matthew 7:21-23). A way of love (John 13:34-35). A way of humility (Matthew 5:3-16). A way of hope (Matthew 11:28; John 4:13-14).

One of things that we learn from the Scripture record, is that not everyone who was amazed was convinced. The people of Nazareth were offended because of Him (Matthew 13:54) and the Sadducees were amazed at His teaching, but they continued to go their own way (Matthew 22:33). Will you do like they did, or is your reaction to his teaching far greater?

Are You More than Amazed by His Power?

Jesus worked great signs and wonders among the people. These wonders, undeniably attracted attention (Matthew 4:23-25; Mark 1:23-28). His fame spread over large areas. Jesus did many amazing wonders to which the reaction was amazement. Jesus walked on the sea and His disciples were amazed (Matthew 14:25-33). Jesus healed a variety of diseases and ailments, and people were amazed (Matthew 4:24-25). Jesus raised some from the dead. Jairus and his family had great amazement when Jesus raised his daughter (Mark 5:35-42). The people of Nain were amazed when Jesus raised the widow's son (Luke 7:11-16). Lazarus' family were amazed, when Jesus called him forth from the grave (John 11:42-44).

There was much more purpose to the wonders of Jesus, than fame. Jesus was actively proving that He was, and is, the Son of God (John 20:30-31). We know that not everyone who was amazed at the wonders of Jesus actually believed and began to follow Him. Consider the last wonder we just looked at, Lazarus being raised from the dead, we are told that many believed because they witnessed this wonder; also many refused to believe after witnessing this wonder (John 11:45, 46-47, 53). Will you read about the wonders of Jesus and refuse Him, or is your reaction to His wonders far greater?

Are You More than Amazed by His Care?

There is great amazement evoked by understanding what Jesus did for us; what He was willing to do. Are you amazed that Jesus was willing to leave the glories of Heaven (John 17:5)? Are you amazed that Jesus was willing to take on human flesh and suffer as we suffer? He was despised and rejected (Isaiah 53:3; Matthew 13:54-58); He was envied and plotted against (Matthew 12:14; 22:15; 26:4); He was betrayed (Matthew 26:14-16, 47-50); He was abandoned (Matthew 26:56); He was falsely accused and sentenced (Matthew 26:59-66; 27:26-31); and He willingly died for us (Hebrews 9:28). Jesus was willing to do this for us in order to offer us hope (Luke 24:46-48).

Are you amazed at what Jesus was willing to do, for you? There were people who came to know Jesus. They were there as He taught; they were there as He performed wonders; and yet they went away, rejected Him, and walked with Him no more (John 6:66). Are you moved to reject Him, or is your reaction to His willingness to die for you, far greater?

Conclusion:

Many, in the first century, were amazed by His teaching and His wonders. His teachings; His wonders; and His willingness to die for us, are worthy of our amazement. However, being amazed is not enough, as many demonstrated in the scripture record. We must be moved to obedience in order to have a relationship with Jesus.

Jesus of Nazareth is the Christ, the Son of God. He is proven by miracles and the wonder of His own resurrection (Acts 2:22-24). He was raised from the death that He died for our salvation (Romans 5:6-10; 1 Corinthians 15:3-4).

Do these facts move you to seek Him? Your obedience to the gospel plan of salvation is all that separates you from His amazing hope. If you are more than amazed by Jesus, obey Him today.