

# WEST COLUMBIA CHURCH OF CHRIST



“every disciple that is perfect, shall be as his master.” Luke 6:40b

## PSALM 19

In **Luke 13:3** the Lord told us, “**except ye repent, ye shall all likewise perish.**” Three things are necessary for repentance to salvation—to prevent our perishing:

1. Men must first recognize **HE IS** God and **seek** after Him.
2. They must then **LEARN** what He wants of them.
3. Finally, they must **OBEY!**

Psalm 19 is a beautiful illustration of these 3 points:

- 1) God has declared plainly, to **all** men, that **HE IS** in verses 1-6:

“The heavens declare the glory of God; and the firmament sheweth his handywork. Day unto day uttereth speech, and night unto night sheweth knowledge. There is no speech nor language, where their voice is not heard. Their line is gone out through all the earth, and their words to the end of the world. In them hath he set a tabernacle for the sun, Which is as a bridegroom coming out of his chamber, and rejoices as a strong man to run a race. His going forth is from the end of the heaven, and his circuit unto the ends of it: and there is nothing hid from the heat thereof.”

- 2) God has told us what we must **LEARN** in verses 7-9:

“The law of the **LORD** is perfect, converting the soul: the testimony of the **LORD** is sure, making wise the simple. The statutes of the **LORD** are right, rejoicing the heart: the commandment of the **LORD** is pure, enlightening the eyes. The fear of the **LORD** is clean, enduring for ever: the judgments of the **LORD** are true and righteous altogether.”

- 3) God has told us to **OBEY** what we learn, in verses 10-14:

“More to be desired are they than gold, yea, than much fine gold: sweeter also than honey and the honeycomb. Moreover by them is thy servant warned: and in keeping of them there is great reward. Who can understand his errors? cleanse thou me from secret faults. Keep back thy servant also from presumptuous sins; let them not have dominion over me: then shall I be upright, and I shall be innocent from the great transgression. Let the words of my mouth, and the meditation of my heart, be acceptable in thy sight, **O LORD**, my strength, and my redeemer.”

- Ed Kelleher, elder West Columbia church of Christ, South Carolina

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Sun 11 AM Assembly:	134	
Sun 6 PM Assembly:	95	PM: Jerry Manning
Weds 7 PM Bible Study:	89	
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**“And though I bestow all my goods to feed the poor,  
and though I give my body to be burned,  
and have not charity [love]  
it profits me nothing.” - 1 Corinthians 13:3**

*A Warm Welcome awaits you at all our services. Come see!*

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## “PRAY FOR ONE ANOTHER” - James 5:16

- **REMEMBER IN PRAYER:** Beryl Parks, Nina Ruth Meadows (Marcella Klieves' mother), Jack and Elma Berrier, Nathaniel Manning (Jerry and Lynn's grandson) and Phyllis Johnson.
- **Margie Banks** is to have a biopsy on a lump in her thyroid.
- **Jean Boyd** is down with an infection.
- **Paul Dillard** has pneumonia and bronchitis and is taking medicine at home for now but will likely go to the hospital if not improved shortly.
- **Dawn Gamble's** leg has started to bother her some again.
- **Jerry Manning's** sister, **Lynn Drago**, in New York, has been diagnosed with colon cancer and had a massive tumor removed.
- Remember all these, and also remember to thank our God that **Richard Smith, Billy Geiger, Don Fields** and **Donnie Fields** are all doing better.

"For in that he himself (Jesus) hath suffered being tempted, he is able to succor them that are tempted." - Hebrews 2:18

## WHAT IS THE CHURCH WORTH?

1. To Christ it was worth His **blood**: Acts 20:28
2. To God it was worth His **Son**: John 3:16
3. To Stephen it was worth his **life**: Acts 6-7
4. To Paul it was worth his **heritage**: Philippians 3:8; 2 Corinthians 11:28
5. To Matthew it was worth his **job**: Luke 5:27
6. To Philip it was worth his **time**: Acts 8:26-40
7. To James it was worth his **prestige**: James 1:1
8. To Peter it was worth his **attitudes**: 2 Peter 1:10,11
9. To John it was worth his **concern**: 3 John 4
- 10 To Jude it was worth his **freedom**: Jude 1

NOW: ... WHAT IS THE CHURCH WORTH TO YOU?

- Richard Ramkinson, Minister, Windsor Lake church of Christ, South Carolina

Remember the Gospel meeting to be held at the Windsor Lake church, Friday and Saturday at 7 pm, 10/26-10/27/07.

“For where your treasure is, there will your heart be also.” - Luke 12:34

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## PROVOKE TO LOVE AND GOOD WORKS” - Hebrews 10:24

- **Work Team D** will meet this Sunday after the morning assembly.
  - The **elders will meet** with the men and women of the church this Sunday.
  - **Youth Rally**, Kingsberry Road church, Sumter, Fri/Sat 10/12-10/13.
  - **Ladies Day**, Rock Hill, Crawford Rd congregation, 10/20/2007.
  - **Gospel Meeting**, Windsor Lake, Fri and Sat 7 pm, 10/26-10/27/07
- Details of these are posted on the bulletin board in the foyer.

"For we are his workmanship, **CREATED** in Christ Jesus **UNTO GOOD WORKS**, which God hath before ordained that we should **WALK** in them." - Ephesians 2:10

## “ELDERS ... FEED THE FLOCK OF GOD” - 1 Peter 5:1,2

Here's a verse that ought to get our attention:

“Every branch in me that beareth not fruit he taketh away: - John 15:2

God, being spirit, wants (and requires!) **spiritual** fruit from us. Fruit that will make **us** more **pleasing** in **His** sight and **valuable** to Him and **worth** keeping. When we, as branches in Christ, have and abound in the spiritual qualities of: Mercy, faith, faithfulness, love, patience, meekness, hope, zeal, joy etc. God will be pleased because these are the things He **wants** from **us**. Here's what you should do:

1. First, you must **want** to bear good fruit (Proverbs 16:9)
2. Get your **heart** (the soil) ready (2 Peter 1:5-8)
3. Plant the right **seed** (Luke 8:11, Colossians 1:5,6)
4. Water and **nurture** the seed and the soil (1 Corinthians 3:6, 1 Peter 2:2)
5. **Recognize** good fruit, reject the poorer (Colossians 1:10, Titus 3:14)
6. Remember, the fruit is for **God**, we're just the servants (John 15:8)

That ye might be ... **Strengthened with all might, according to his glorious power, unto all patience and longsuffering with joyfulness" - Colossians 1:10,11**

## “REJOICE WITH THEM THAT DO REJOICE!” - Romans 12:15

**Chris Crabb** is preaching and teaching Sundays and Wednesdays for a congregation in Craigfield, Tennessee. He's to graduate from Lipscomb U. this December.

## **COMMUNICATING OUR LOVE**

(Partial list, can you add more?)

1. Suffer together (1 Corinthians 12:26)
2. Rejoice together (Romans 12:15)
3. Carry each others' burdens (Galatians 6:2)
4. Restore each other (Galatians 6:1)
5. Pray for one another (Romans 15:30)
6. Teach & admonish one another (Col 3:16)
7. Refresh one another (Romans 15:32)
8. Encourage each other (Acts 28:15)
9. Forgive one another (Ephesians 4:32)
10. Confess to one another (James 5:16)
11. Be truthful with each other (Eph 4:25)
12. Provoke to love&good works (Heb 10:24)
13. Give to each other (Philippians 4:14,15)
14. Comfort one another (1 Thess 4:18)