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SERMONS THIS SUNDAY:

AM: Harvey Allen

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

BAPTISM? WHAT DID JESUS SAY:

“And he said unto them,

Go ye into all the world, and preach the gospel to every creature.

He that believeth and is baptized shall be saved;

but he that believeth not shall be damned.” - Mark 16:15,16

Wake up! Strengthen the things that remain!

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**JOIN US IN
PRACTICING
NEW TESTAMENT
CHRISTIANITY
TODAY,
COME SEE!**

SERVICES

Sunday 10 AM Bible Study
Sunday 11 AM, 6 PM Assembly
Wednesday 7 PM Bible Study
Office Phone (803) 794-5320
Nursery provided

INFORMAL BIBLE STUDY

Saturdays 3 pm
Everyone Welcome!
Bring your friends & Bible questions

EVANGELIST

none at present time
other than the members
Full time position open

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

HELP! IT'S A MATTER OF LIFE OR DEATH!!

If you had an emergency and told someone it was a matter of life or death!, how would you expect them to respond? Would you appreciate a “*Ho-Humm, I'm a little tired, maybe tomorrow...*” or a “*Yeah, yeah, I'll get to it after I finish my TV show*” type response? Would you want to hold them accountable if someone **died** as a result of their inaction—when they might have saved a life? Well, guess what God has told us:

“in flaming fire taking vengeance on them that know not God, and that obey not the gospel of our Lord Jesus Christ:” - 2 Thessalonians 1:8

God has told us the house is on fire. What should we do? Jesus told us.

“And he said unto them, Go ye into all the world, and preach the gospel to every creature. He that believeth and is baptized shall be saved; but he that believeth not shall be damned.” - Mark 16:15,16

Are you going to **ignore** this or treat it lightly or casually? Jesus **gave his life** to save man. How do you value this? What are you telling God? Remember:

“The Lord is not slack concerning his promise, as some men count slackness; but is longsuffering to us-ward, not willing that any should PERISH, but that all would come to repentance.” - 2 Peter 3:9

Do you think He won't notice your ignoring his warning, his command; his statement of His will?

“Be not deceived; God is not mocked:
for whatsoever a man soweth, that shall he also reap “ - Galatians 6:7

What can you do? First PRAY!; Study your bible; Get to all our Bible classes; Get people to visit here, where God's saving Gospel is preached.

Your mission (you'd be wise to accept it) is to **get people to hear the Gospel!** Invite your family, your neighbors, the people you work or go to school with. Follow up with them to make sure they come visit us here. How did you find out about the church? Are you glad you did? Remember, TELL SOMEONE about it. It's a matter of Life or Death!

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

“PRAY FOR ONE ANOTHER” - James 5:16

REMEMBER IN PRAYER: *Merrie Christmus, Dorothy Gray & family, Margaret Herring, Pat Joyner, Jan Kelleher, Gwen Pittman, Anna Porter, Stephanie Rigney.*

- **Judy Cornelius** was out last Sunday caring for ill family members, including her niece **Karen Harding** with metastatic breast cancer.
- **Dorothy Gray** requests prayers for a co-worker **DeShana Bates** who lost a younger brother. Remember also **Laura Nichols** friend **Lee**, a young family man, who has a bad prognosis with cancer, that he look to God for help.
- Also remember; **Paula Kennedy's** cousin **Erin** who lost an unborn child; **Marshall Mancuso** suffering with kidney stones; **Margaret Herring** who is suffering many ills; and **Anna Porter** in NHC on US 378.
- **Pray for all these** and the work of the Lord here at West Columbia. Give **thanks** to God for his goodness and love for us.

“ ... pray one for another, that ye may be healed.

The effectual fervent prayer of a righteous man availeth much.” - James 5:16

“AND THEY CONTINUED STEADFASTLY” - Acts 2:42

- Next Sunday is the **First Sunday** of October. Luncheon after the assembly, Men's meeting following.
- **Congregational fellowship** coming up, at the building, in October.
- The **church website** has been updated, please make **suggestions** to **Ed**.
- New **Visitor Welcome** sheet to give to visitors to our assembly are in the foyer.
- We're looking for a new evangelist, suggestions welcome!
- **Meals for College Students**—To be provided in conjunction with class taught by **Spencer Strickland**, every Wednesday. Sign up sheet in foyer.
- **Church Family Pictures**—**Marshall Mancuso** will have his camera with him every Sunday. Be prepared and please see him to get your picture made.
- **INVITE SOMEONE TO VISIT US!** Give them one of the **church cards** that are on the table in the foyer. If you take some, please use them. *Why are there cards left?*
- See the **thank you and visitor cards on bulletin board in foyer**.
- **Scrap Booking class**, at the building 4th Saturdays 12-3, see **Paula or Faye**.
- Invite people, come yourself to the informal Q&A **Bible study**, Saturdays 3pm.

“We are bound to thank God always for you brethren, as it is meet, because that your faith groweth exceedingly, and the charity of every one of you all toward one another aboundeth;” - 2 Thessalonians 1:3

Are you doing all you can? If so, be happy for God knows! If not ... God knows!

But, beloved, we are persuaded better things of you, and things that accompany salvation, though we thus speak. For God is not unrighteous to forget your work and labor of love, which ye have showed toward his name, in that ye have ministered to the saints, and do minister.” - Hebrews 6:9,10

Facts About The Bible, by David Padfield

The Bible is composed of 66 books. There are 39 books in the Old Testament and 27 in the New Testament. Some 39 or 40 men had a part in the writing of the Bible, from Moses to the apostle John. It took over 1500 years to produce the Bible.

Out of all the men who wrote the books of the Bible, Luke "the beloved physician" (Col. 4:14) was the only Gentile. He penned the gospel of Luke and the book of Acts.

The first section of the Old Testament is called the Pentateuch. It contains the first five books of the Bible (Genesis, Exodus, Leviticus, Numbers and Deuteronomy). These books, written by Moses, cover the period of time from Creation to the death of Moses, just prior to the entrance of God's people into the promised land.

The Old Testament contains twelve books of history, from Joshua through Esther. There are five books of poetry: Job, Psalms, Proverbs, Ecclesiastes, and the Song of Solomon. There are five books of the major prophets: Isaiah, Jeremiah, Lamentations, Ezekiel and Daniel. There are 12 minor prophets, from Hosea through Malachi.

The New Testament contains four gospels (Matthew, Mark, Luke and John), each telling the story of the life of Christ from different viewpoints. The New Testament has one book of history, the book of Acts, which tells of the establishment of the church and the growth of Christianity in the first century. It also has 21 epistles, the majority of which were written by the apostle Paul (Romans through Jude) and one book of prophecy (the Revelation), penned by John while on Patmos.

The Old Testament was written in Hebrew (with the exception of Daniel 2:4b-7:28 and Ezra 4:8-6:18). The New Testament was written in Greek.

“All scripture *is* given by inspiration of God, and *is* profitable for doctrine, for reproof, for correction, for instruction in righteousness: That the man of God may be perfect, thoroughly furnished unto all good works.” - 2 Timothy 3:16,17

Is your heart like Paul's, whose heart was like Christ's?

“Brethren, my heart's desire and prayer to God for Israel is, that they might be saved. For I bear them record that they have a zeal of God, but not according to knowledge. For they being ignorant of God's righteousness, and going about to establish their own righteousness, have not submitted themselves unto the righteousness of God. ... For with the heart man believeth unto righteousness; and with the mouth confession is made unto salvation. For the scripture saith, Whosoever believeth on him shall not be ashamed. ... For whosoever shall call upon the name of the Lord shall be saved. How then shall they call on him in whom they have not believed? and how shall they believe in him of whom they have not heard? and how shall they hear without a preacher?” - Romans 10:1-14

People believe in God, but they have not obeyed the Gospel, because they have not heard the whole counsel of God preached. They will hear it here! Tell them of it! Invite people to attend or join us on a Saturday afternoon Bible study. Follow up with them, to see they come **hear—that they might be saved!**