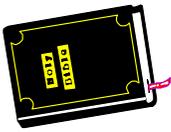


WEST COLUMBIA CHURCH OF CHRIST



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

Our Lord's Warning

Christ, who is all knowing, tells us that many people are going to be lost in eternity. In Matthew 7:13-14 He says, "Enter by the narrow gate: for wide is the gate, and broad is the way, that leads to destruction, and there are many who go in by it. Because narrow is the gate and difficult is the way which leads to life, and there are few who find it". According to the Bible the majority of people will be lost. We must take this warning seriously. The Lord says that only a few people will be saved.

How few can few be? In 1 Peter 3:20 (KJV) we read, "When once the long-suffering of God waited in the days of Noah, while the ark was preparing, wherein few, that is eight souls were saved by water." The conservative estimate of the number of people on the face of the earth in the days of Noah is two hundred million (200,000,000) people. But only eight (8) out of the estimated two hundred million (200,000,000) were saved. This is not very good odds. Even though the Bible says in 1 Peter 3:9 that the Lord is "not willing that any should perish", Jesus says in Matthew 7:13-14 concerning eternal life in Heaven that "there are few who find it". The vast majority of people will spend forever and ever in the eternal fires of Hell that will never be extinguished. Mankind cannot comprehend how horrible that Hell is going to be.

There are only two roads to eternity and everyone is on one or the other. If we miss Heaven, we will be thrown into the eternal fires of Hell forever. One of the saddest things about being thrown into Hell is the fact that it could have been avoided. The majority of people will be lost in spite of what the Lord has done. Hell is not what God does to us, but Hell is what one does to himself. A person who ends up in Hell is his own worst enemy and only has himself to blame. Let us make going to Heaven our number one priority in this life.

- By Ron Boatwright, member of the church in Conway, Arkansas

“Know ye not that they which run in a race run all, but one receiveth the prize? So run, that ye may obtain.” - 1 Corinthians 9:24

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"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

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

- **Jan Kelleher's** surgery went well and the lump removed was benign.
"For indeed he was sick nigh unto death: but God had mercy on him; and not on him only, but on me also, lest I should have sorrow upon sorrow." - **Philippians 2:27**
- “THE PRAYER OF FAITH SHALL SAVE THE SICK” - James 5:15
 - **REMEMBER IN PRAYER:** Ron Banks, Beryl Parks, Mary Honeycutt, Hagood Godley, and our shut-ins Jessica Herring, Zudora Clegg, and Phyllis Johnson. Also, **Nina Ruth Meadows** (Marcella Klieves' mother), **James Mathias** (Tommy White's brother-in-law), **Kathryn Hall** and **Frances Griffin** (Melissa's sister and aunt), **Jack and Elma Berrier**, and **Margaret Herring** and her daughter **Ann Gunter**,
 - **Anna Porter** is much improved and hoping to get out of the hospital Friday.
 - **Ted Stidham** was in the hospital but is out now.
 - **Melissa Parks** requests prayers for her cousin and his wife, **Philip and Molly Griffin**. They are expecting their first child at the end of June, but there are two spots on the baby's brain, possibly tumors, they're not sure.
 - **Marilyn Brooks** was able to make it out to the assembly again last Sunday after recovering from a fall.
- "There is none holy as the Lord: for there is none beside thee: neither is there any rock like our God." - **1 Samuel 2:2**

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

- **Men**, be sure to speak into the microphones in the assembly so all can hear.
- It is important for **ALL** to attend **Sunday Morning bible study!** If you feel you're missing something, Bible class is a good place to go and find it.
- Please **call** and **write** Lexington County Sheriff **James Metts** and ask that he allow prisoner **Anne Louise Gordon** to be baptized: Sheriff James Metts, **PO Box 639, Lexington, SC 29071**. Telephone: 803-785-8230 option 5.
"Wherefore comfort yourselves together, and edify one another, even as also ye do." - **1 Thessalonians 5:11**
- “AND THEY CONTINUED STEADFASTLY” - Acts 2:42
 - Our **Christian Block Party** last Saturday went well. We had 7 members in 3 teams cover a good bit of Westover acres and Mohawk Drive in West Columbia, hanging over 700 bags of bible study material and invitations to visit us. O ye of little faith, it threatened rain and ice, but it was actually quite pleasant.
- "Go ye therefore into the highways, and as many as ye shall find, bid to the marriage. So those servants went out into the highways, and gathered together all as many as they found, both bad and good: and the wedding was furnished with guests." - **Matthew 22:9,10**

“PROVOKE TO LOVE AND GOOD WORKS” - Hebrews 10:21

- **Pray for the success of our Bible Bowl teams! Plan on attending at St. Andrews Road, Saturday, March 4 at 9AM.** We have 3 strong teams:
 - Preteen: **Chris Parks, Grant Parks, Thomas Rinehart, Kaitlyn Sheppard**
 - Teen: **Courtney Gamble, Michael Gamble, Kelly Kennedy, Brian Parks**
 - Adult: **Martha Geiger, Marcella Klieves, Tricia Parker, Faye Parks**
- **Bible Bowl study times:** Friday 6:30PM, Wed. 7 PM, Sun. 10 AM and 4:30PM. Food on Friday's and refreshments are donated by church members supporting the teams.
- **Carolina Men's Fellowship**, Sat. **March 11**, 2006 at Rock Hill. 9 AM—3 PM.
- **SPIRITUAL GROWTH seminar at West Columbia**, Friday **March 17**, from 7-9PM and Saturday **March 18**, from 9AM-12PM. There will be 30-45 minute presentations with breaks in between for folks to meet and talk; two on Friday evening and three on Sat. morning. This first seminar will be "The Bible VS Pre-millennialism", with Scott Parker, **Jon Macon of the North Columbia** congregation, Don Klieves and Ed Kelleher speaking. We'll be inviting area preachers and men to speak on various topics at future seminars, Lord willing.
- Next **Reach, Teach and Eat** meeting, Saturday 3PM, **March 25**, 2006 at the home of **Gerald and Janet Boyd**.
- **Carolina Lectures**, **April 2-6**, 2006 at Kannapolis, NC, Gospel of John.
- **Senior Rally**, St. Andrews Road, Saturday April 29, 2006.

"Whatsoever a man soweth, that shall he also reap." - **Galatians 6:7**

IT'S A MATTER OF LIFE AND 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..." response? Look what God has said:

"Say unto them, As I live, saith the Lord God, I have no pleasure in the DEATH of the wicked; but that the wicked turn from his way and LIVE: turn ye, turn ye from your evil ways; for why will ye die, O house of Israel?" - **Ezekiel 33:11**

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

God has said it's a matter of *life or death—forever!* How are *you* responding to that? Think of the cost of *neglecting* this message. What are you doing about it? Invite someone to visit us. It could be a neighbor you talked with last year, or someone at work. How did you find out about the church? Are you glad you did? **Do something about it—now!** There is *nothing* more important!

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