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SERMONS THIS SUNDAY:

AM: Spencer Strickland

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

**“For I am not ashamed of the gospel of Christ:  
for it is the power of God unto salvation  
to every one that believeth;” - Romans 1:16**

**Use God’s word, don’t act ashamed of it ...**

**Examine yourself! Are you really in the faith? (2 Cor 13:5)**

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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

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

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# WEST COLUMBIA CHURCH OF CHRIST

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

## MEN

Do you love and provide for your family?  
Do you vote? Did you serve your country in the military?  
Do you read the paper or watch the news to stay informed?  
Do you keep your promises? Do you pay your debts?  
Do you work faithfully for your employer?  
Do you obey the law? Do you stand up for the right?  
Do you mow and rake your yard and take out the trash?  
Do you wash and maintain your car?  
Do you paint and maintain your home?  
Do you hold the door open for others and help when you can?  
Do you think of your children, how to help them grow up well?  
Are you considerate of your neighbors?  
Are you cheerful? Are you forgiving? Are you polite?

You've likely done most or all of these, and similar things. Many of them aren't especially fun. Sometimes they're inconvenient and take some extra effort. We have to work at them. But we do them, because we think they are **good** and **worthwhile**. It may cost a little, but it's part of being a man, "It comes with the territory".

Yes, you act like a man at **home**, at **work**, in the **community**. That's good! But remember, the Lord wants **men** in His **church** also:

**"Watch ye, stand fast in the faith, quit ye like MEN, be strong. Let all your things be done with charity." - 1 Corinthians 16:13,14**

**"For every one that uses milk is unskillful in the word of righteousness: for he is a BABE. But strong meat belongs to them that are of full age, even those who by reason of use have their senses exercised to discern both good and evil."  
- Hebrews 5:13,14**

Don't neglect the Lord's work—get involved! Prepare to do the Lord's work. Come to bible study. Study your Bible at home—don't be a **baby** in Christ. Go on a bible study with our evangelist. Be a **man** in the church, as well as in the world.

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

**Examine yourself, whether you are in the faith ... or not! (2 Cor 13:5)**

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

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

- **Mike Kennedy, Paula's** husband is in Intermediate Intensive Care at LMC with kidney problems. He was to have surgery Friday.
- **Margaret Herring** is in Millennium rehabilitation, US 378, West Columbia room 119.
- **Stephanie Rigney** has had a flare up of pain.
- **Laura Nichols** and **Jones Gamble** were ill
- **Lauren Beard and Judy Cornelius** continue with illness. Remember **Lauren's grandmother** also.
- Continue to remember them in prayers to God, for His mercy, and their relief.
- We've heard from **Marshall Turbyfill** who continues to be ill and unable to attend our assembly. Keep him in your prayers.
- **Jan Kelleher** continues to suffer debilitating side effects from chemotherapy. She continues to be in pain from bone cancer, but so far it is not spreading. All thanks and glory to **God** that the cancer is still not spreading,
- **Pray for all these**, and our search for an **evangelist** to help us with the work of the Lord here at West Columbia. Give **thanks** to God for his goodness and love for us.

**"Bear ye one another's burdens, and so fulfil the law of Christ" - Galatians 6:2**

## **“AND THEY CONTINUED STEADFASTLY” - Acts 2:42**

- **Remember our continued search for an evangelist to work with us here.**
- **MEN!** Sunday AM and PM please find **Jason, Jones** or whoever is putting together the assembly duty roster and volunteer to help with prayer, Lord's table, singing, etc.
- **ALL! Contact** those on the Directory list you've not seen recently (like last Sunday).
- **ALL! 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.

**"But now hath God set the members every one of them in the body, as it hath pleased him." - 1 Corinthians 12:18.**

## **DO YOU WANT GOD?**

**“Finally, brethren, whatsoever things are true, whatsoever things are honest, whatsoever things are just, whatsoever things are pure, whatsoever things are lovely, whatsoever things are of good report; if there be any virtue, and if there be any praise, think on these things. Those things, which ye have both learned, and received, and heard, and seen in me, do: and the God of peace shall be with you.” - Philippians 4:8,9**

The apostle says **“THINK”** then **“DO”**. We *all* must be thinking on and learning the things of God; told by the apostles in the Bible then **doing** those things learned. Read your Bibles, learn what God wants of us and then **do** it, all of it! He'll be with you then. He says so!

## **ASCENDING TO HIM**

**"Who may ascend into the hill of the LORD? Or who may stand in His holy place?  
He who has clean hands and a pure heart,  
who has not lifted up his soul to an idol, nor sworn deceitfully" Psalms 24: 3, 4.**

This is a question that many people have forgotten to ask themselves today. They believe everything is all right. Others do not believe that there is a God or an afterlife.

There is a God, though, and we need to find out what it takes to be able to approach Him. David doesn't leave us without the answer. He tells us what it takes to be acceptable to God. He uses some symbols which make it easy for us to remember and understand who may come into God's presence. The hands symbolize our actions, work, that which we do. The heart symbolizes our motives, intentions, attitudes and thoughts. Lifting up the soul symbolizes our worship and adoration of that which is greater. Swearing deceitfully reminds us of our speech.

Do you want to come into God's presence? Make sure that what you do is right and acceptable to God. Do you want to come into God's presence? Make sure your thoughts and intentions are proper and acceptable to God. Do you want to come into God's presence? Make sure your worship is pleasing and acceptable to God. Do you want to come into God's presence? Make sure the words of your mouth are true and acceptable to God.

**- Bryan Naugle, Evangelist, Sebring Parkway church of Christ, Florida**

## **PSALM 1**

**“Blessed is the man that walketh not in the counsel of the ungodly, nor standeth in the way of sinners, nor sitteth in the seat of the scornful. But his delight is in the law of the LORD; and in his law doth he meditate day and night. And he shall be like a tree planted by the rivers of water, that bringeth forth his fruit in his season; his leaf also shall not wither; and whatsoever he doeth shall prosper. The ungodly are not so: but are like the chaff which the wind driveth away. Therefore the ungodly shall not stand in the judgment, nor sinners in the congregation of the righteous. For the LORD knoweth the way of the righteous: but the way of the ungodly shall perish.” - Psalm 1**

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