

Today's Order of Worship

Announcements: Greg Lowery

Song Leader: Josh Berryhill

Opening Prayer: David Key

On the Table: Head - Eddy Dickinson
Servers - Bradley Box
Ralph Burleson
Greg Lowery

Closing Prayer: Billy Box

Preparing the Lord's Supper Vertie York

Weekly Service Times

Sunday

Bible Study 10:00 am
Morning Worship 10:45 am
Evening Worship 5:00 pm

Wednesday

Bible Study 7:00 pm

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Billy Box / Eddy Dickinson

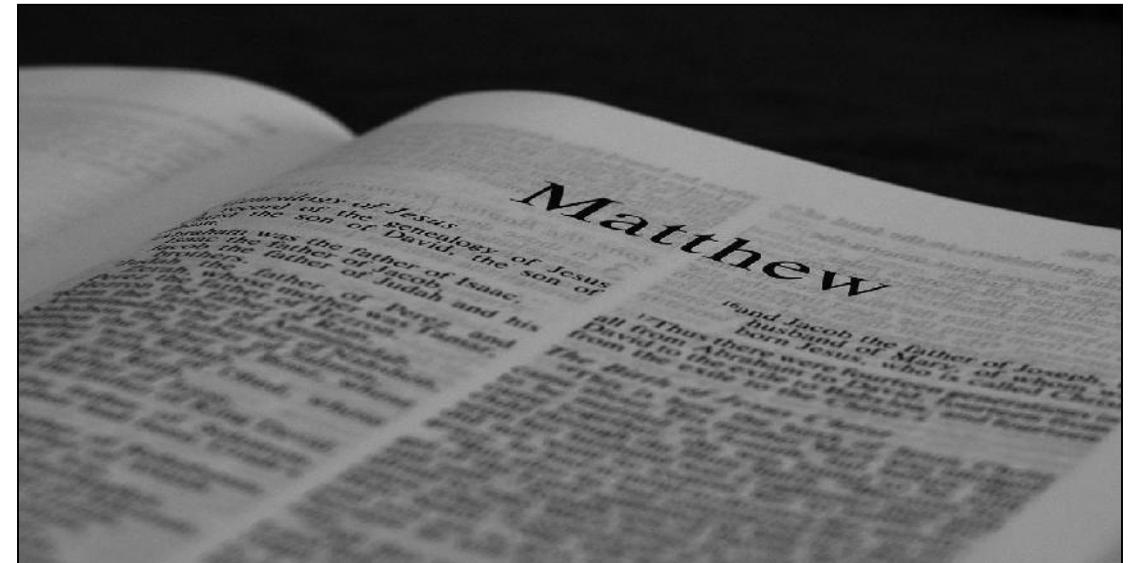
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A Rose By Any Other Name

By Dan Jenkins

We are often not aware of the origin of many phrases and sayings we use. Do you remember hearing the saying, “A rose by any other name is still a rose”? It has many variations, but it appears that Shakespeare used it first in Romeo and Juliet. In the balcony scene, Juliet unknowingly said to Romeo that the fact his last name was Montague did not matter to her. “A rose by any other name would still smell as sweet.” Read the rest of this article, and you will understand why I entitled it the way I did.

Many have little knowledge of the horrendous way men in ancient times abused children. The phrase “children passed through the fire” is found 12 times in the Old Testament. It describes the practice of the nation of Israel and its kings taking infants and burning them alive at the altar of Molech. Such practices show how far God’s people had moved away from Him.

It was not only the Jews who did this. The Egyptians threw their infants into the Nile River believing that this sacrifice would ensure greater crops when they were harvested. Their prosperity was more important than their offspring.

The practice of the Greeks and Romans was even more gruesome. If the child which was born was unwanted, they would leave them outside their homes to suffer whatever fate came. Some who were left naked froze to death. Others died of starvation or were eaten by wild animals. Those not left outside their homes were taken to an appointed rubbish heap, where they were left lying on the manure that was there.

There is evidence that the disposal of unwanted infants was so widespread. It was done in Syria, Carthage, Phoenicia, Moab, Canaan, among Germanic tribes, Australia (the aborigines), Arabia, Britain, China, Finland, Iceland, India, Japan, Kenya, Nigeria, Russia, Sweden, Bolivia, Brazil, Columbia, Peru, Paraguay and in America by the Incas and the Aztecs. This list is not complete, but it shows just how far the world through the ages has almost no regard for some children. Such is the nature of paganism.

THOSE WHO NEED OUR PRAYERS

Mary Rainey: has bone cancer throughout her body, please be praying for her and her family

Patty Berryhill: having problems with a hernia, please pray that the doctors can help her with this problem

Billy Lee & Jimmie Ann Hardy {Carolyn’s Brother & Sister} both are in the nursing home in Guin, please continue to pray for them they both have some health issues

Joey Colburn: is taking treatments for cancer, please pray that the treatments will be successful in defeating his cancer

Don Lawrence: dealing with some health issues, please continue to keep him your prayers

Buddy Frazier: undergoing cancer treatments, please keep him in your prayers

Hunter Coal Corkren: treating his kidney problem with medicine, please be praying that this problem clears up with this treatment

Felicia Berryhill: she is having some ongoing health problems, please pray that she will be able to receive the right medical treatment to help her

Al Corkren: is home dealing with blood clots in his lung, please be praying that with meds these clots will be dissolved and that he has no further setbacks.

Angie Ganey Gardner: breast cancer surgery went well and is waiting learn the next course of treatment, please pray that this cancer will be defeated

David Warren: has been diagnosed with cancer, please pray that it will be treatable

Bobby Sanderson: continues to improve, please pray he has no further problems

Gunner Pendley: suffering from severe brain injury, please keep him and family in your prayers

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Wyatt Spann: is currently fighting a brain tumor, please pray that with medical help he can win this fight

Pam Davis {Adrian's daughter} has been diagnosed with cancer, please be praying that it can be defeated with treatment

Indee Kois {student at BHS}: she is still dealing with some health issues , please pray that the doctors will be able to help her

Frank Farris: is recovering from a stroke, please keep him in your prayers

Kye Jackson: {Lindsey's son} diagnosed with arthritis he is 2 years old, pray that he will receive successful treatment for this arthritis

Faye Jordan (Vertie's sister): she is improving and is home, we are thankful she is doing better

Jeff Upton (Donna Martian's Co-worker): weakness in his legs, please pray that this will improve

Jeff York (Vetrie's son): has been dismissed by his doctor, we were glad to hear the good news

Judy Shirley: had part of her lung removed because of cancer and is waiting to hear from the doctors, please pray that she will receive good news

Ruth Addison: experienced a fall last week and is weak, please pray that she will get stronger and be able to attend worship, which is her desire

Mary Box: experienced a fall had has some cracked ribs and some other health problems, she is in rehab at the nursing home room #18, please pray that she will get better

Winfred York: in rehab at Hamilton dealing with injures from recent automobile accident, please keep him and Mrs. Vertie in your prayers

Aren't you so thankful that you were not born in a world which had so little regard for helpless infants? Isn't it wonderful that we live in such a civilized society? It is so easy to read what was practiced in ancient times and think that it is only part of the ancient past.

The state of New York made abortion legal at any time. One advocate of the law affirmed it was legal even if dilation had begun. A rose by any other name is still a rose, and pagan slaughter of unwanted infants is still murder even if called pro-choice. Our practices are identical to those of the ancient pagans!

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Great Things Jesus Taught

SOME OF THE GREAT THINGS CHRIST TAUGHT WERE . . .	
■ The EVIL OF SIN	John 3:19
■ The NECESSITY OF THE NEW BIRTH	John 3:3
■ The REQUIREMENT OF HIS DEATH	John 3:14
■ The LOVE OF GOD IN THE GIFT OF HIMSELF	John 3:16
■ The POSSESSION OF ETERNAL LIFE THROUGH HIM	John 3:36
■ The PROPER WAY TO WORSHIP GOD	John 4:24
■ The PROOF OF DISCIPLESHIP	John 8:31
■ The POWER OF TRUTH	John 8:32
■ The PREPARATION IN HEAVEN FOR CHRISTIANS	John 14:1-3
■ The SECRET OF FRUIT-BEARING	John 15:5
■ The BIBLE IS TRUTH	John 17:17



Barnes' Bible Charts

What Kind Of “Christ” Would HE Have Been...

By Bill Jackson

... *If He had been weak, wavering, unsure, uncertain and unsold concerning the truth, and the doing of the Father’s will? What if he had been a stand-for-nothing and standing- against-nothing leader? We are thankful that, at the end of the great Sermon on the*

Mount, men were astonished at His doctrine, for He taught them as one having authority, and not as the scribes (Matt. 7:28-29).

... *If He had run after the attention of the religious leaders of the day, and catered to their whims and fancies because He wanted, above all else their good-will? One time the disciples noted His teaching, and made known to Him that the Pharisees were offended at this teaching (Matt. 15:12). What kind of “Christ” would He have been if He then ran after the Pharisees, apologizing for earlier plainness, and confessing never to be so plain again? In this instance, we note that He made it even plainer for them: “Every plant, that my heavenly Father hath not planted, shall be rooted up” (vs. 13).*

... *If He had been possessed of the view that He dare not be critical of any religious establishment, but approve of all, fellowship all, endorse all? What kind of “Christ” would He have been if He had “gone along to get along” and had thrown the arm of fellowship around everything in religion? He warned the disciples about the leaven of both the Pharisees and Sadducees (Matt. 16:6), and they knew that He was speaking about the doctrine/teaching of these groups (vs. 12).*

... *If He had filled His lessons with syrupy and sugar-coated expressions, oozing an expressed love that never got around to pointing out any error or wrongdoing? What kind of “Christ” would He have been to have been that weak? Do we want to hear the Son of God speak with plainness, and remembering that He always did the will of the Father? Then hear Him, seven times, in Matthew 23: “Woe unto you, scribes and Pharisees, hypocrites!”*

What kind of “Christ” would He have been if He had been characterized by the points of weakness just noted? That’s right! He wouldn’t have been the CHRIST at all!

God's Word Keeps from Sin

By Ernest S. Underwood

The 119th Psalm is a treasure trove to those who love God and want to do His will. In verses 9 and 11, there is timely advice to both young and old alike. Verse 9 reads, “How can a young man cleanse his way? By taking heed according to Your word.” Verse 11 says, “Your word I have hidden in my heart, That I might not sin against You!”

What great teaching! When it seems that so many of our nation’s young people are giving themselves to sin and sensuality, these words are like a breath of fresh air, telling them how to really have a life worth living. What better advice can a parent give than to tell young people to truly respect God’s Word, and take heed to it?

When one has his heart full of God’s Word, he can resist the daily temptations that come. When Jesus was tempted, He responded to each temptation with “It is written.”

Do your young people know more about sensuality than salvation? Do they know more about the so-called rap and rock stars than they know about the “Star of Bethlehem?” If so, what a terrible, terrible shame.

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Upcoming Events

Today	Fellowship Meal	
Today	Bible Bowl {Cleveland}	2:00 pm
Tonight	3 rd Sunday Night Singing	5:00 pm
August 25 th	Tri-County Singing {Here}	2:00 pm