

THE ONE MINUTE BIBLE STUDY

America has become a land of “instant” everything. One can purchase instant soup, instant coffee, instant iced tea, instant mashed potatoes, and countless other instant items. The advent of the microwave oven also has increased this demand for instantaneous fulfillment. No longer must hungry consumers wait thirty minutes for a meal to be prepared; now they can have it piping hot in only thirty seconds! If Americans cannot have it in an “instant”, then they do not want it at all.

Unfortunately, this attitude of having everything in an instant has not missed the realm of today’s Christian. Because Bible knowledge can never be attained instantaneously, many members of the Lord’s church neglect Bible [study](#).

The “One Minute Bible”: This can be seen in the advertisement for a new Bible that is on the market: the “One Minute Bible”. The advertisement for this book asks, “Never seem to have enough time to regularly read the Bible?” It then goes on to describe how the book is arranged into 366 daily one minute Bible readings that highlight “every primary Biblical topic and theme.” Just like “instant” coffee, now there is “instant” Bible knowledge available, and all it takes is one minute per day!

This attitude toward [Bible study](#) contributes to the increasing departure from the faith that continues in the church today. Because brethren have not devoted the time to learning what God’s will is, they are “...tossed to and fro, and carried about with every wind of doctrine...” (Ephesians 4:14). And there are many contrary winds blowing in the brotherhood today, whose destructive forces exceed those of any hurricane, tornado, or typhoon.

Heeding The Warnings Of Apostasy: One of the best ways to avoid such damage to the Lord’s body is by prevention. When hurricane warnings are given, home owners and store owners scurry to board up windows, store up provisions, and to make whatever preparation they can for the coming storm. The same principle holds true for the Lord’s church. The warning was given long ago: “Now the Spirit speaketh expressly, that in the latter times some shall depart from the faith, giving heed to seducing spirits, and doctrines of devils” (1 Timothy 4:1). Those in the early church who heeded the warning protected themselves from the coming departure by being aware of it and by knowing what the truth of God’s will is (1 Timothy 4:6). The same preparation must be made today. The people of God must be aware that departure is taking place and must not be ignorant of His Word.

God’s Warning To Israel: God’s warning to Israel ought also to be a warning to the church. “My people are destroyed for lack of knowledge: because thou hast rejected knowledge, I will also reject thee...” (Hosea 4:6). Knowledge of God’s Word protects from sin (Psalm 119:11). Christians are commanded to grow in the knowledge of [Jesus](#) Christ (2 Peter 3:18). Searching the Scriptures to prove what teachings are true is a noble thing to do (Acts 17:11). But all of these things demand determined study of the Word, not an instantaneous obtaining of knowledge.

Bible Knowledge Doesn’t Come Easy: An old saying states that anything worthwhile does not come easy. This principle certainly is true of Bible knowledge. Men who have devoted their entire lives to studying the Bible would be the first to admit that there is no end to its depth. Only a daily feasting on the Word can bring about that kind of knowledge that the Christian needs. But he first must develop that intense desire to know God’s will. “As newborn babes, desire the sincere milk of the word, that ye may grow thereby” (1 Peter 2:2). Then, based on the intense desire, must come the diligent study. “Give diligence to present thyself approved unto God, a workman that needeth not to be ashamed, handling aright the word of truth” (2 Timothy 2:15 – ASV).

Conclusion: Brethren, as members of the Lord’s church, we need to maintain the attitude and [zeal](#) of the Psalmist regarding the study of God’s Word in Psalm 1:2, “But his delight is in the law of the LORD; and in his law doth he meditate day and night.”

If we will realize the importance of Bible study and devote the necessary time in gaining a proper knowledge of God’s Word, then the false teachers in this land will have a much more difficult task in trying to lead people away from the truth (Ephesians 4:13-15; cf. 2 Timothy 2:15; 2 Timothy 3:16-17).

JANUARY-

BIRTHDAYS: 8-Mary Bryant, 11-Mark Wright, 14-Benji Lawrence, 18-Tonya Box, 26-Zoey Morgan, 29- DJ Youman, 30- Edward Ray Ford, 30-Hunter Lindsey

ANNIVERSARIES: 30- Kyle & Ginger Foster

WHAT MUST I DO TO BE SAVED?

We must hear the word of God. Romans 10:17

We must believe the word of God. Hebrews 11:6; John 3:16; Mark 16:15-16

We must repent of our sins. Luke 13:3; Acts 2:38

We must confess Christ before men. Matthew 10:32-33; Romans 10:9-10

We must be immersed for the remission of our sins. Acts 2:38; 22:16; I Peter 3:21

We must live faithfully until death. Revelation 2:10; Romans 12:1-2

•THOSE TO SERVE – JANUARY: LIST IN FOYER

(Please check for your assignment and PLEASE contact one of the Deacons if you know you are going to be absent on that date).

DATES TO REMEMBER:

- February 4th, 2-3 p.m.: We will be hosting a Bridal Tea for Sara Beth Wright and Blake Mayfield; Registered at Wal Mart AND Bed, Bath & Beyond
- February 18th – 21st: Winter Meeting with Dorian Flynn (Monthly Fellowship Lunch also on the 18th (Monthly Fellowship Meal will be on Sunday, the 18th))

SHUT-INS /NURSING HOME:

Margaret Barlowe, Van Ayer Manor, 640 Hannings Lane, Martin 38327
Martha Nell Reed, Lakeside Retirement Community, 390 Dr. Smith Lane, McKenzie 38201
Elvy Sauls Jr., Life Care of Bruceton, 105 Rowland Ave., Bruceton 38317

PRAYER LIST: Charlie Wachsmuth will be having heart surgery; Mrs. Leona Aden, (Dale's mother) is in McKenzie Healthcare; Jimmy McClain Christopher and Kaitlyn Dunavan Sheila Hargas, Charlie Wachsmuth, Christina Cannon, Margaret Barlowe, Christine Hodgson, Harold Tyler, Demetrius Burnett, Lois Arrington, Doris Haskell, Mary Bryant, Tim Rogers, Harold Hutcherson, Charles Foster, Penny Warren, Vicki Murphy (Lexington), Mike Lane, Ruth Bennett

CANCER: Linda Cherry had sugery and received a good report after testing; Jackie Smith continuing chemo, Ricky Griffin (Dylan Holt's Uncle), Keith Inman. Lynn Harrison, Barry Barber, Carmen Bobbitt McCain, Sue Price; Linda Cherry; Deborah Browning; Rhyann Loos; Hattie Brinkley Berry, Christine Johnson, Jimmy Greene, Lalanie Murphy

Trezevant church of Christ, 114 Church St., Trezevant, TN 38258, 731-669-3448, Tim Rogers, Minister

Services:

Sunday Morning
Bible Study: 9:00 a.m.
Worship: 10:00 a.m.
Evening: 5:00 p.m.

Wednesday
Bible Study: 6:30 p.m.

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DATES	WEEK OF JAN 7	WEEK OF JAN 14	WEEK OF JAN 21	WEEK OF JAN 28	
PREPARE LORD'S SUPPER	STEVE AND RITA FOSTER	STEVE AND RITA FOSTER	STEVE AND RITA FOSTER	STEVE AND RITA FOSTER	
GREET	THE SMITHS	THE SMITHS	THE SMITHS	THE SMITHS	
POWERPOINT	MARK WRIGHT	MARK WRIGHT	MARK WRIGHT	MARK WRIGHT	
ANNOUNCEMENTS	DALE ADEN	DALE ADEN	DALE ADEN	DALE ADEN	
OPENING PRAYER SUNDAY A.M.	SHERRILL SMITH	GREG MCCLAIN	TIM ROGERS	KEITH PEEVYHOUSE	
LEAD SINGING SUNDAY A.M.	DAVID BRYANT	DAVID BRYANT	DAVID BRYANT	DAVID BRYANT	
PRESIDE LORD'S SUPPER	DALE BALLENTINE	DALE BALLENTINE	DALE BALLENTINE	DALE BALLENTINE	
PRESIDE LORD'S SUPPER	NICK BRYANT	NICK BRYANT	NICK BRYANT	NICK BRYANT	
SERVE LORD'S SUPPER	JACK LAWRENCE DANIEL ROGERS JACOB PEEVYHOUSE NOAH BRASHER	JACK LAWRENCE DANIEL ROGERS JACOB PEEVYHOUSE NOAH BRASHER	JACK LAWRENCE DANIEL ROGERS JACOB PEEVYHOUSE NOAH BRASHER	JACK LAWRENCE DANIEL ROGERS JACOB PEEVYHOUSE NOAH BRASHER	
SCRIPTURE READING SUNDAY A.M.	STEVE FOSTER	DYLAN HOLT	JOSHUA BRASHER	JACOB KEEN	
CLOSING PRAYER SUNDAY A.M.	MONTE PAUL MORRIS	NORRIS DEPREIST	KYLE FOSTER	WILLIAM MOORE	
OPENING PRAYER SUNDAY P.M.	STEVE FOSTER	DAVID BRYANT	DALE ADEN	DALE BALLENTINE	
LEAD SINGING SUNDAY P.M.	KEITH PEEVYHOUSE	KEITH PEEVYHOUSE	KEITH PEEVYHOUSE	KEITH PEEVYHOUSE	
SCRIPTURE READING SUNDAY P.M.	NOAH BRASHER	JACOB PEEVYHOUSE	JACOB KEEN	STEVE FOSTER	
CLOSING PRAYER SUNDAY P.M.	DYLAN HOLT	DANIEL ROGERS	CHARLIE WACHSMUTH	ZACK CHRISTMAN	
OPENING PRAYER WEDNESDAY	STEVE FOSTER	TIM ROGERS	NICK BRYANT	DALE BALLENTINE	SHERRILL SMITH
LEAD SINGING WEDNESDAY	JAN 3 JACOB PEEVYHOUSE	JAN 10 JACOB PEEVYHOUSE	JAN 17 JACOB PEEVYHOUSE	JAN 24 JACOB PEEVYHOUSE	JAN 31 JACOB PEEVYHOUSE
DEVOTIONAL WEDNESDAY	TIM ROGERS	MARK WRIGHT	DAVID BRASHER	DALE ADEN	DAVID BRYANT
CLOSING PRAYER WEDNESDAY	MONTE MORRIS	JACOB KEEN	STEVE FOSTER	NOAH BRASHER	JOSHUA BRASHER