

PRIVILEGED TO SERVE TODAY:

	AM	PM
Announcements & Song Leading	Keith Peevyhouse	Dale Ballentine
Opening Prayer	Freeman Mahan	David Bryant
Scripture Reading	David Brasher	Mark Wright
Closing Prayer	Freeman Mahan	Jacob Keen

NEXT WEEK:

Announcements & Song Leading	Keith Peevyhouse	Dale Ballentine
Opening Prayer	David Bryant	Steve Foster
Scripture Reading	Mark Wright	David Brasher
Closing Prayer	Dylan Holt	Nick Bryant

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SCHEDULE OF SERVICES

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**SUNDAY:** Bible Class 9:00 AM  
 Worship 10:00 AM & 5:00 PM  
 (Meet-Eat-Meet each fifth Sunday)

**WEDNESDAY:** Bible Study 6:30 PM



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*The Follower*

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*Search the Scriptures*

What must I do to be saved? This very important question is in the minds of many, and while the answer is not incredibly difficult, it does require some searching. Note what Jesus said to Jews who did not believe on Him: *Search the scriptures; for in them ye think ye have eternal life... (John 5:39)*. His use of parables about the kingdom illustrates the fact that understanding its mysteries is a process involving a search through the Bible, and a search involves effort.

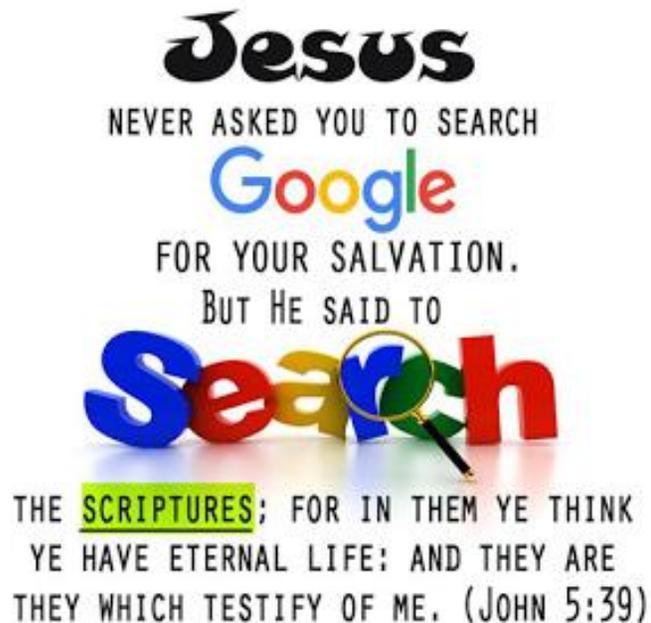
After Jesus had been dealing with the scribes and Pharisees in **Matthew 12**, multitudes who were seeking answers followed him to the sea shore, and He taught them by means of what we know as the parable of the sower (**Matt. 13:1-9**). When His disciples asked Him why he taught in parables, Jesus responded that only those truly interested in the kingdom would be able to know its mysteries. Each parable revealed one aspect of the kingdom, and only by putting them all together would a full understanding be gained.

Salvation of our souls is a similar puzzle. There is no one passage we can turn to that gives everything we need to know and obey. Passages such as *For God so loved the world, that he gave his only begotten Son, that whosoever believeth* (continued next page)

on him should not perish, but have everlasting life (John 3:16), For by grace are ye saved through faith; and that not of yourselves: it is the gift of God (Eph. 2:8), and Thou shalt love the Lord thy God with all thy heart, and with all thy soul, and with all thy mind...(Matt. 22:37ff), are very important for those seeking the way of salvation, but they do not contain all we need to know. To find God's entire plan of salvation, we must be ready and willing to search diligently with a sincere desire to know the truth. Otherwise, we will not solve the puzzle.

Certainly a single place to find the entire plan of salvation would be a lot easier. But Heaven has been prepared for those who are willing to seek the truth, and Jesus Christ has paid the ultimate price so that we might go there. May we be willing to put forth the effort to unlock the mysteries of the kingdom of heaven that we may benefit from God's saving grace.

~Freeman



## Remember in Prayer...

- The **Aden family** continues to improve. Both Dale and Christine have returned to work; home health is still doing respiratory and physical therapy with Rhonda.
- **Jean Ford** suffered a broken foot a few weeks ago. The healing process is very slow.
- **Baby Brooks** did well with the procedure to repair his larynx Tuesday, but had some issues afterward. He was readmitted Friday.
- Please remember the family of **James Neal** in his passing Friday evening. He was the brother of Ruth Bennett.

**PRAYER LIST:** Monte; Mary Bryant; JoAnn Moore; Craig Ballentine; Penny Foster; Ruth Bennett; Lois Arrington; Jeff Hutcherson; Tina Smith; Joe Wilson; residents and staff of area assisted living facilities....

## News and Notes...

- **Welcome to our assembly!** The wearing of masks is no longer mandatory, but our elders do ask that, for the time being, we continue to practice social distancing.
- A **Welcome Basket** is being prepared for the couple who bought Charles's house; it will be delivered this week.
- **Wednesday night devo: Mark Wright**
- Our Sunday worship services are live-streamed at 10AM and at 5PM; Wednesday evening Bible class at 6:30.

### MEMORY VERSE - James 1:22

*But be ye doers of the word, and not hearers only, deceiving your own selves.*