

“What Must I Do To Be Saved?”

Acts 16:30

Learn The Gospel

John 6:45; Romans 10:17;

Believe On GOD In CHRIST

Hebrews 11:6; John 3:16

Confess CHRIST

Matthew 10:32-33; Romans 10:9-10

Repent Of Sin

Acts 3:19; 17:30

Be Baptized Into CHRIST

Mark 16:16; Romans 6:3-6

Remain Steadfast

1st Corinthians 15:58; Revelation 2:10

“Let The Word... Dwell In You Richly”

Colossians 3:16

The new memory assignment is: *“Then the righteous will shine forth as the sun in the kingdom of their Father. He who has ears to hear, let him hear!”* (Matthew 13:43).

Commit this passage to heart. Read it, write it, hear it, and recite it aloud.

“Sound Doctrine”

Titus 2:1

WHAT SHOULD I NOT EXPECT TO FIND WITHIN THE CHURCH?

Jerry Dockens

On the positive side, there are several identifying traits of His church: preaching, singing, prayer, communion, and a collection to raise funds, but the church must be careful to not go beyond what is taught in the Bible.

“Watch yourselves, that you might not lose what we have accomplished, but that you may receive a full reward. Anyone who goes too far and does not abide in the teaching of Christ, does not have God; the one who abides in the teaching, he has both the Father and the Son” (2nd John 8-9).

Some examples of **not** abiding in the teaching of Jesus:

1. Disorderly conduct. *“But let all things be done properly and in an orderly manner”* (1st Corinthians 14:40).
2. Meals or social activities occurring as a work of the church. *“Do you not have houses in which to eat and drink?”* (1st Corinthians 11:22). *“If anyone is hungry, let him eat at home”* (1st Corinthians 11:34).
3. Entertainment or enticement. *“Truly, truly, I say to you, you seek Me, not because you saw signs, but because you ate of the loaves, and were filled”* (John 6:26). *“But seek first His kingdom and His righteousness”* (Matthew 6:33).
4. Fundraisers. *“On the first day of every week let each one of you put aside and save, as he may prosper”* (1st -- Continued on page 2 --

“The Assembling Of Ourselves Together”

Hebrews 10:24-25

Sunday

10:00 am.....Children’s Study

10:15 am.....Worship

Las Vegas Library

833 Las Vegas Boulevard North

Tuesday

7:00 pm.....Ladies’ Study

residence

Wednesday

7:00 pm.....Study & Worship

Jerry & Beverly Dockens residence

**Visitors Welcome.
Members Expected.**

“Give Attention To Reading”

1st Timothy 4:13

Sunday...Psalm 89:38-52; Amos 1:1-4:5; Acts 26:24-27:8

Monday...Proverbs 8; Amos 4:6-7:3; Acts 27:9-26

Tuesday...Proverbs 9; Amos; 7:4-9:15; Acts 27:27-44

Wednesday...Psalm 90:1-17; Hosea 1:1-4:19; Acts 28:1-16

Thursday...Proverbs 10; Hosea 5:1-9:14; Acts 28:17-31

Friday...Psalm 91:1-16; Hosea 9:15-14:9; Colossians 1:1-23

Saturday...Psalm 92:1-15; Isaiah 1:1-3:12; Colossians 1:24-2:15

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THE SEED OF THE KINGDOM, THE WORD OF GOD

Jesus said, *"The seed is the word of God"* (Luke 8:11). From the beginning, God's law has been that seed would bring forth after its kind (Genesis 1:11). When the inspired men preached the word, they were planting the seed, and it brought forth disciples of Christ, who were called Christians (Acts 11:26). The seed of the kingdom never produced a Catholic, or a Mormon, or an Adventist, or a Baptist or Methodist, but always a disciple of Christ, a Christian. It takes a different seed to make a Methodist. The Methodist preachers preach the doctrine that is peculiar to that church, and when they preach they never produce a Baptist. Baptist preachers preach the doctrines of their church, and their preaching always makes Baptists, never Methodists. Why is there so much division in religion? Why so many different churches? Answer: there are many different seeds being planted in the minds of men, each producing after its kind. The seed of the kingdom produces disciples of Christ, who are called Christians.

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Corinthians 16:2). *"Let each one do just as he has purposed in his heart; not grudgingly or under compulsion; for God loves a cheerful giver"* (2nd Corinthians 9:7).

5. Spending money dedicated to our Lord's service other than for:
 - a. Needy saints – members of His church (Acts 11:29; Romans 15:26; 1st Corinthians 16:1; 2nd Corinthians 8:4; 9:12). Note that giving to the poor, generally, is an individual responsibility (1st Corinthians 13:3), not of the church collectively.
 - b. Preaching and teaching. *"The Lord directed those who proclaim the gospel to get their living from the gospel"* (1st Corinthians 9:14).
 - c. Arrangements for a place to assemble and items necessary for worship (Hebrews 10:25; Acts 20:7).

This is certainly not a complete list of errors. Heed the warning: *"Not everyone who says to Me, 'Lord, Lord,' will enter the kingdom of heaven; but he who does the will of My Father who is in heaven"* (Matthew 7:21).

"MEN OF CORRUPT MINDS... SUPPOSE THAT GODLINESS IS A MEANS OF GAIN"

John Bunyan

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If it be unlawful to follow Christ for loaves, as it is in the sixth of John (John 6:26), how much more abominable is it to make of him and religion a stalking-horse to get and enjoy the world! Nor do we find any other than heathens, hypocrites, devils, and wizards that are of this opinion.

1. Heathens: for when Hamor and Shechem had a mind to the daughter and cattle of Jacob, and saw that there was no way for them to come at them, but by becoming circumcised, they said to their companions, *"If every male of us be circumcised... shall not their cattle, and their substance, and every beast of theirs be ours?"* Their daughters and their cattle were that which they sought to obtain, and their religion the stalking-horse they made use of to come at them. Read the whole story (Genesis 34:20-24).
2. The hypocritical Pharisees were also of this religion: long prayers were their pretence, but to get widows' houses was their intent; and greater damnation was from God their judgment (Luke 20:46-47).
3. Judas the devil was also of this religion: he was religious for the bag, that he might be possessed of what was put therein; but he was lost, cast away, and the very son of perdition.
4. Simon the witch was of this religion too; for he would have had the Holy Ghost, that he might get money therewith; and his sentence from Peter's mouth was according (Acts 8:19-22).

That man, who takes up religion for the world, will throw away religion for the world; for so surely as Judas designed the world in becoming religious, so surely did he also sell religion and his Master for the same.

"...Men of corrupt minds... suppose that godliness is a means of gain. From such withdraw yourself" (1st Timothy 6:5).