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straight and narrow (Matthew 7:13-14), but wrong ways may seem right to those who do not know or believe the truth (Proverbs 14:12; 21:2; 28:26). He taught in the Bible that is right and can-not be wrong. It is also the way of peace and unity (John 17:20-21; 1 Corinthians 1:10; Romans 14:9).

Do not accept the Bi-ble as an infallible and all sufficient guide in all matters of religion (2 Timothy 3:15-17; 2 Peter 1:3). Faith in Christ as the Son of God cannot be wrong (Acts 3:18; Acts 2:36-41).

Do not be wrong for sinners to repent of all sins (2 Peter 3:9; 2

Timothy 3:19; 17:30). It cannot be wrong to be baptized upon a confession of faith in Christ to become simply a member of the Lord's church (Romans 10:9-10; Mark 16:15-16).

Do not baptize peni-tent believers instead of unbelieving in-fants (Acts 2:36-41).

Do not use improper sub-jects to be immersed – buried and raised – in baptism (Romans 6:34; Colossians 2:12; Acts 8:38-39).

Do not wear the name of Christ, the name "*Christian*" rather than some sectarian name (1 Peter 4:14-16; Acts 11:26; 26:28; James 2:7).

Do not disobey Christ in all things (Acts 3:22-23; Hebrews 5:8-9; 1 John 2:34; Luke 6:46). Faithful attendance at all services of the church cannot be wrong (Hebrews 10:25; James 4:17).

Do not require all the mem-bers of the church to liberally and cheer-fully give according to their purpose of heart and prosperity (2 Corinthians 9:58; 1 Corinthians 16:2). Do not sing the praise of God in song in our worship without instruments of music (1 Corinthians 14:15; Ephesians 5:18-19; Colossians 3:16; Hebrews 2:12).

Do not eat the Lord's Supper upon the first day of every week as the early Christians did (Acts 2:42; 20:7; 1 Corinthians 11:20-34; 16:2). Do not have earnest, fervent prayer in worship (Hebrews 13:15; Acts 2:42).

Do not be pure in heart and clean in life (Matthew 5:8; Titus 2:11-14; Romans 12:12; Galatians 5:19-22).

Do not try to convert the world to Christ (1 Corinthians 9:22; Proverbs 11:30; 2 Corinthians 5:11; Acts 26:28; Galatians 6:1; James 5:19-20).

Do not bring in man-made items has to do with pure, primitive Christianity. Let us call the world back to these principles and back to the Bible

A WAY THAT CANNOT BE WRONG

The way to heaven is straight and narrow (Matthew 7:13-14), but wrong ways may seem right to those who do not know or believe the truth (Proverbs 14:12; 21:2; 28:26). However, there is a way revealed in the Bible that is right and cannot be wrong. It is also the way of peace and unity (John 17:20-21; 1 Corinthians 1:10; Romans 14:9).

It cannot be wrong to accept the Bible as an infallible and all sufficient guide in all matters of religion (2 Timothy 3:15-17; 2 Peter 1:3). Faith in Christ as the Son of God cannot be wrong (Matthew 16:13-18; Acts 2:36-41).

In addition, it cannot be wrong for sinners to repent of all sins (2 Peter 3:9; 2 Corinthians 7:10; Acts 3:19; 17:30). It cannot be wrong to be baptized upon a confession of faith in Christ to become simply a member of the Lord's church (Romans 10:9-10; Acts 8:36-39; 2:37-41, 47; 22:16; Mark 16:15-16).

It cannot be wrong to baptize penitent believers instead of unbelieving infants (Acts 2:36-41).

It cannot be wrong for proper subjects to be immersed – buried and raised – in baptism (Romans 6:3-4; Colossians 2:12; Acts 8:38-39).

It cannot be wrong to wear the name of Christ, the name "*Christian*" rather than some sectarian name (1 Peter 4:14-16; Acts 11:26; 26:28; James 2:7).

It cannot be wrong to obey Christ in all things (Acts 3:22-23; Hebrews 5:8-9; 1 John 2:34; Luke 6:46). Faithful attendance at all services of the church cannot be wrong (Hebrews 10:25; 1 Corinthians 14:23; James 4:17).

It cannot be wrong for all the members of the church to liberally and cheerfully give according to their purpose of heart and prosperity (2 Corinthians 9:5-8; 1 Corinthians 16:1-3).

It cannot be wrong to sing the praise of God in song in our worship without instruments of music (1 Corinthians 14:15; Ephesians 5:18-19; Colossians 3:16; Hebrews 2:12).

It cannot be wrong to eat the Lord's Supper upon the first day of every week as the early Christians did (Acts 2:42; 20:7; 1 Corinthians 11:20-34; 16:2). Earnest, fervent prayer cannot be wrong in Christian worship (Hebrews 13:15; Acts 2:42).

It cannot be wrong to be pure in heart and clean in life (Matthew 5:8; Titus 2:11-14; Romans 12:1-2; Galatians 5:19-22).

It cannot be wrong to try to convert the world to Christ (1 Corinthians 9:22; Proverbs 11:30; 2 Corinthians 5:11; Acts 26:28; Galatians 6:1; James 5:19-20).

Each of the foregoing items has to do with pure, primitive Christianity. Let us call the world back to these principles and back to the Bible (2 Timothy 3:16-17; Jeremiah 6:16; Jude 3).

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Epigram On Worry

• I never think of the future. It comes soon enough.

—Albert Einstein

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Bible Class 10am	Bible Study	7:00 pm
Worship 11am		
Evening 6pm		

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"the gospel of Christ is the power of God unto salvation"
Romans 1:16

God's Plan of Salvation

- Hear.....Romans 10:17
- Believe.....Mark 16:16; Hebrews 11:1-6
- Repent.....Acts 2:38; II Corinthians 7:10
- Confess.....Romans 10:9, 10; Mt. 10:32,33
- Be Baptized.....Mark 16:16; Acts 22:16
- Arise & walk in newness of life.....Romans 6:4

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The Price we Pay

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Jesus demonstrates the responsibility of counting the cost of salvation in the story found in **Luke 14:28**. The Bible also speaks of the cost of sin, which is death (**Romans 6:23**). The price we pay without choice in this life is death. The reason is because Adam and Eve were told that death would incur upon disobedience (**Genesis 2:17**). Since then, all of mankind has died because sin entered into the world (**Romans 5:12**). The debt of sin was paid by Jesus on the cross, finally, but He paid for it with His sacrifice.

I wonder how many folks think their baptism will save them in The Judgment, who are not obedient in life after their baptism?

How many people really have no idea of the cost of salvation, but out of a babyish fear of death go through the motions to be saved, but never really mature in Christ?

How many folks who have been baptized did so out of coercion or ungodly pressure? They went through the motions, got wet, so to speak, but have never paid the price?

How many Christians can (and will) point to the world of unsaved, lost, fake-imposters in the post-Pentecost world, but they (themselves) have not led one soul to the truth, counting their cost?

How many Christians love to say they love Jesus and His people (the church), but really don't know what Jesus went through in His earthly ministry?

How many people (Christians) refuse to assemble with the brethren because of stubbornness, idolatry, and worldly distractions, but still maintain their form of Christianity?

How many Christians love to talk about problems in the world, the church, and in life-general, but never offer or provide any solutions to the problems?

You see, the reality is the price we all must pay is found in the antithesis of every question's assumed negative answer. I remember a young person asking an older, mature person in the church how he knew so much Bible and was able to teach and practice it so well. The reply was interesting and familiar to those who are doing and have done likewise: "I've given my life to it."

In the church, through hard times, good times, quiet times, sad times, and even stable times, we must give our life.

Our passions, pride or egos, our extracurricular activities in the secular world, none are excluded from New Testament law or principle. The price we pay is faithfulness till death. When we count the cost, as Jesus said to do, we have *no* retreat plan. We have no call but the gospel call, and its message is a sacrificial call.

The truth of the gospel's sound is loud and clear, powerful and provocative, prompting and preparing. The Old Testament truths, such as Joshua and Jericho, Nadab and Abihu, Phinehas killing Zimri and Cozbi, David and Goliath, Joseph with Potiphar's wife, all lessons of great faith and sacrifice, teach us the price we must all pay.

The prophets of old, the few priests who were faithful till death, and the world was not worthy of such, but the price they paid was with their lives.

Today, the church can and will grow. The church can and will influence profoundly. The church can and will be saved powerfully, but it will not come without the price we must pay. Compromise, hypocrisy, and half-hearted commitments will not pay off in the end. The price we must pay is with our lives. "*Then said Jesus unto his disciples, If any man will come after me, let him deny himself, and take up his cross, and follow me.*" (**Matt. 16:24**).

Epigram On Worldliness

- Anything that cools my love for Christ is the world.

—John Wesley

- Some folks take up religion as a kind of insurance against hell—and then are not willing to pay the premiums.

—Christian Cynosure

- Sign in a church vestibule: —If you were on trial for being Christian, would there be enough evidence to convict you?

Our Family News

Important Notice: No Wednesday Bible Study on May 28th.

Traveling: Hans Nicholson, Christian Larson, & Gabby StClair.

Please Pray For: Linda Workman, Walt Gilfilen.

We need remember: Away working, the church & the lost.

Moving to Wasilla: Whitney Sharp is moving to Wasilla on June 2nd.

Potluck: If you are willing to host June potluck, contact Ed Maxwell.

Radio Program: Listen to "Searching the Scriptures", our weekly radio program, Sundays at 9am, on 100.9 FM, hosted by Sam Carman.

Today's Scripture: "Pilate therefore said unto him, Art thou a king then? Jesus answered, Thou sayest that I am a king. To this end was I born, and for this cause came I into the world, that I should bear witness unto the truth. Every one that is of the truth heareth my voice." **John 18:37** (KJV)

Today's Proverb: "Through wisdom is an house builded; and by understanding it is established." **Pro.24:3** (KJV)

Attendance last Sunday: 81

Please update us concerning those on the prayer list.

Thank You