

Schedule of Events

Last Wednesday of the month devotional and Young men's and ladies class starting at 6:30pm.



Think on These Things

Philippians 4:8

But the hour is coming, and now is, when the true worshipers will worship the Father in spirit and truth; for the Father is seeking such to worship Him. God is Spirit, and those who worship Him must worship in spirit and truth.

John 4:23-24 NKJV

Our Family News

Pray for / Emily Hatley, Kelli Riley, Bill and Peggy, Jacob and Alora, Andrew, Matthew, and many others going through difficulties; see how you can help, either call or text.

Today's Scripture

Then it shall come to pass, because you listen to these judgments, and keep and do them, that the Lord your God will keep with you the covenant and the mercy which He swore to your fathers.

Deuteronomy 7:12 NKJV

Wisdom for Today

Praise the Lord! Praise God in His sanctuary; Praise Him in His mighty firmament! Praise Him for His mighty acts; Praise Him according to His excellent greatness!

Psalms 150:1-2 NKJV

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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, Matt 10:32-33

Be Baptized Mark 16:16, Acts 22:16

Remain Faithful Matt 24:13, Rev 2:10, James 1:12

"For I am not ashamed of the gospel of Christ: for it is the power of God unto salvation to everyone that believeth..."

Come join us!

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Radio Programs on KMBQ 99.7 "Searching the Scriptures"
Our weekly radio program on Sunday mornings at 9:00 AM.

Meeting Times

Sunday

Bible Classes 10AM
AM Worship 11AM
PM Worship 5PM

Wednesday

Bible Study **7PM**

Office Hours

Call or check website

Visitors always welcome; Members expected



"I was glad when they said unto me, Let us go into the house of the Lord." Psalm 122:1

Reverence

Joe Murdock

It is sad to look around and see how far we as a nation have drifted away from God. But this is not foreign to scripture. We see from the beginning, in the garden, man doing what he thinks to be right but it is obviously not. This begins to take place when we forget to keep God in a proper mindset. He is holy and fully commanding of our proper worship and reverence. Just think about how you can hear His holy name profaned and used as no more than a word of shock. God is holy!

Leviticus 19:1-2 KJV "And the Lord spake unto Moses, saying, Speak unto all the congregation of the children of Israel, and say unto them, Ye shall be holy: for I the Lord your God am holy."

Leviticus 20:7 KJV "Sanctify yourselves therefore, and be ye holy: for I am the Lord your God ."

1 Peter 1:14-16 KJV "As obedient children, not fashioning yourselves according to the former lusts in your ignorance: But as he which hath called you is holy, so be ye holy in all manner of conversation; Because it is written, Be ye holy; for I am holy."

From the Old Testament to the New Testament God's word clearly lays out the idea that He is holy and we would do well to be reminded of this very fact. It does not matter if we are worshipping, private prayer or bible study. Reverence literally means to put to shame. This is an attitude of complete submissiveness, not of indifference which plaques so many.

Now that we have seen what it means to show reverence, the next question is what does it look like. God's word is so amazing. He has left nothing to question when it comes to His expectations. God cannot lie Numbers 23:19, Titus 1:2 and He is not the author of confusion 1 Corinthians 14:33. With this in mind, wouldn't it only be right that God would give us a clear and perfect example of what reverence looks like. And He did, this perfect example is Christ. Philippians 2:5-8 KJV "Let this mind be in you, which was also in Christ Jesus: Who, being in the form of God, thought it not robbery to be equal with God: But made himself of no reputation, and took upon him the form of a servant, and was made in the likeness of men: And being found in fashion as a man, he humbled himself, and became obedient unto death, even the death of the cross." This passage teaches us that Christ our Lord and Savior literally laid aside his privileges on our woeful behalf to save our

souls. The Word became flesh, had the power to destroy the world and yet He endure the CROSS for you and for me. This is what reverence looks like. Too many in the church seem to be comfortable with just going along to get along. However, this attitude of indifference only leads to a separation from God because it does not put Him in His rightful place. That means above all else!

So now that we understand reverence to be a humble attitude. A mindset that puts God first and submits to His will. We have seen how Christ our redeemer displayed this throughout His life, we must ask ourselves what will we do. We must put God first Matthew 6:33 KJV "But seek ye first the kingdom of God, and his righteousness; and all these things shall be added unto you." We are to seek His righteousness and seeking Him is a must. We seek Him through His word, honestly, sincerely and in reverence. Then when He becomes first in our life, our life must change. It cannot remain stagnant for we know lukewarm individuals are spewed out of His mouth. 1 Timothy 3:15 KJV "But if I tarry long, that thou mayest know how thou oughtest to behave thyself in the house of God, which is the church of the living God, the pillar and ground of the truth." We did not die for the church nor did we purchase the Church with our blood. It was the innocent, perfect and holy sacrifice of Christ that did that. So, it is His word that sets the order to how things are to be, not our opinions or inventions but the clear and sufficient words of Christ. When we change our life and commit to keep the Word, it is made obvious by how we act. Not only during worship but all the time. An individual who works part time does not receive the benefits of one who works full time. Nor does a lukewarm individual receive the benefits from God as a faithful working Christian whose life has changed. Finally we must walk in a newness of life Romans 6:11-13 KJV "Likewise reckon ye also yourselves to be dead indeed unto sin, but alive unto God through Jesus Christ our Lord. Let not sin therefore reign in your mortal body, that ye should obey it in the lusts thereof. Neither yield ye your members as instruments of unrighteousness unto sin: but yield yourselves unto God, as those that are alive from the dead, and your members as instruments of righteousness unto God." When we have this attitude of reverence we are pleasing to God. Let's ask am I showing reverence to God in everything I do or am I keeping my own desires first. Let's always look to grow in the grace and knowledge of our Lord and Savior. Let us focus on being active members of His Church!