



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..."

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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

Schedule of Events

Parking Lot Clean up after evening services

Outdoor meeting/VBS June 10th-15th

Wisdom for Today

Is anyone among you suffering? Let him pray. Is anyone cheerful? Let him sing psalms. Is anyone among you sick? Let him call for the elders of the church, and let them pray over him, anointing him with oil in the name of the Lord. And the prayer of faith will save the sick, and the Lord will raise him up. And if he has committed sins, he will be forgiven.

James 5:13-15 NKJV

Think on These Things

Philippians 4:8

We give thanks to the God and Father of our Lord Jesus Christ, praying always for you, since we heard of your faith in Christ Jesus and of your love for all the saints; because of the hope which is laid up for you in heaven, of which you heard before in the word of the truth of the gospel,

Colossians 1:3-5 NKJV

Our Family News

Pray for /Emily Hatley,
Charles Nordstrom, Matthew Douthitt,
Stinson Family, Joy Jensen, Paul and
Alice Stone, Ethan McClure

Today's Scripture

Not that I have already attained, or am already perfected; but I press on, that I may lay hold of that for which Christ Jesus has also laid hold of me. Brethren, I do not count myself to have apprehended; but one thing I do, forgetting those things which are behind and reaching forward to those things which are ahead, I press toward the goal for the prize of the upward call of God in Christ Jesus.

Philippians 3:12-14 NKJV

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

Rejoicing

By Joe Murdock

We find ourselves dealing with discouragement from time to time. Sadly, discouragement can even come from those in the family of God. This can happen because of a variety of things but we must not be tripped up by this. To avoid becoming discouraged the letter sent to the Philippians can serve as a great reminder for us. The reminder is to remember to rejoice!

Paul faced beatings, imprisonment, and stiff-necked personalities yet, in the all those situations made time to rejoice in the Lord. I carefully chose the wording in the previous sentence because if we try to “find the time” it may never happen. That is why we are to MAKE time to rejoice. According to Strong’s Concordance the word rejoice means to be full of cheer that is calmly happy or well off. How appropriate a word when we think of the salvation we have in Christ. The first time the inspired writer Paul uses the word rejoice is probably in a situation where most of us would be complaining.

Philippians 1:15-18 NKJV “Some indeed preach Christ even from envy and strife, and some also from goodwill: The former preach Christ from selfish ambition, not sincerely, supposing to add affliction to my chains; but the latter out of love, knowing that I am appointed for the defense of the gospel. What then? Only that in every way, whether in pretense or in truth, Christ is preached; and in this I rejoice, yes, and will rejoice.”

Now, certainly Paul was not approving of preaching with impure motives, but instead recognizing that Christ was being preached. A sad commentary on those who can preach the truth and yet only do it from selfishness. Remember those individuals have their reward (**Matt 6:1-2**). This is a great example for us to remember. Another set of passages for our consideration are found in the second chapter of this great letter.

Philippians 2:14-18 NKJV “Do all things without complaining and disputing, that you may become blameless and harmless, children of God without fault in the midst of a crooked and perverse generation, among whom you shine as lights in the world, holding fast the word of life, so that I may rejoice in the day of Christ

that I have not run in vain or labored in vain. Yes, and if I am being poured out as a drink offering on the sacrifice and service of your faith, I am glad and rejoice with you all. For the same reason you also be glad and rejoice with me.”

Three times the word rejoice is found in these verses, do you think God wants us to understand something. First do all things (not some things) without complaining and disputing what a challenge for us to commit to. Then are we holding fast to the words of life? Those are the eternal words of life that Christ has set as a pattern for us to follow. Finally even in Paul’s imprisonment, he and the Philippians could rejoice in, knowing they were right before God Almighty. What a testament to Paul’s care for the church, do we have the same whether it be the local body or the brotherhood all over!

Philippians 4:4-7 NKJV “Rejoice in the Lord always. Again I will say, rejoice! Let your gentleness be known to all men. The Lord is at hand. Be anxious for nothing, but in everything by prayer and supplication, with thanksgiving, let your requests be made known to God; and the peace of God, which surpasses all understanding, will guard your hearts and minds through Christ Jesus.”

Are we like Paul rejoicing in the Lord? Or are we looking for discouragement because if we are we will find it. If in all of these difficult circumstances Paul could rejoice, will we. Or will we allow bitterness and anxiousness demoralize us. We have so much to be thankful for and rejoice in. If we would be more prayerful, draw closer to God by opening His word and applying the things we learn then maybe we WOULD rejoice! Will we make the time to find the peace that surpasses all understanding. If we make the time then we will see why Paul had so much to rejoice in.

