

Schedule of Events

Men's meeting scheduled for today has been cancelled.

Think on These Things Philippians 4:8

Window Toward Jerusalem

AM Sermon: Joe Murdock

Our Family News

Pray for / Ed Maxwell, Josiah, Helen Spicer, Bill and Peggy

Traveling/Working / Michael Couch and family, Wyatt Couch, Steve and Abby

Radio Programs / Listen to "Searching the scriptures", our weekly radio program on KMBQ 99.7 Sunday mornings beginning at 9:00 AM.

Today's Scripture / Luke 13:34 (KJV 1900) "O Jerusalem, Jerusalem, which killest the prophets, and stonest them that are sent unto thee; how often would I have gathered thy children together, as a hen doth gather her brood under her wings, and ye would not!"

Wisdom for Today / Psalm 125:2 (KJV 1900) "As the mountains are round about Jerusalem, So the LORD is round about his people From henceforth even for ever."

PM Sermon / Tom Betti

Attendance last Sunday: 44

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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..."

Contact Information

Meeting Times

Sunday

Bible Classes **10AM**

AM Worship **11AM**

PM Worship **5PM**

Wednesday

Bible Study **7PM**

Office Hours

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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

Window Open Towards Jerusalem

By Joe Murdock

Two weeks ago I had preached a lesson on having your tent pitched towards Sodom. We discussed how someone who is righteous can even end up in such a sinful place. How easily and unknowingly one can make decisions that seem innocent and yet find themselves lost. The conclusion we were able to draw was that in order to avoid such a thing we must be diligent bible students who are willing to accept correction, recognize we need God's word to guide us and approach Heavens throne in prayer. This week I would like to look into the idea of having our window open towards Jerusalem. Now we must first realize that this is not a physical position but a spiritual position. God is not limited by time or space and therefore our aim is not to restore a physical Jerusalem but to take the true teachings from scripture that will lead us to the spiritual Jerusalem, that is Heaven.

Revelation 21:1-4 NKJV Now I saw a new heaven and a new earth, for the first heaven and the first earth had passed away. Also there was no more sea. Then I, John, saw the holy city, New Jerusalem, coming down out of heaven from God, prepared as a bride adorned for her husband. And I heard a loud voice from heaven saying, “Behold, the tabernacle of God is with men, and He will dwell with them, and they shall be His people. God Himself will be with them and be their God. And God will wipe away every tear from their eyes; there shall be no more death, nor sorrow, nor crying. There shall be no more pain, for the former things have passed away.”

The new Jerusalem that we must keep our window open towards is Heaven. It is very easy in this life to become distracted and lose focus on what our aim ought to be. When this starts to happen the choices we make and the path we head on will be towards Sodom. However, when we follow after God through love and obedience we will overcome. But we must not close our window. **Hebrews 12:1-2 NASB1995** Therefore, since we have so great a cloud of witnesses surrounding us, let us also lay aside every encumbrance and the sin which so easily entangles us, and let us run with endurance the race that is set

before us, fixing our eyes on Jesus, the author and perfecter of faith, who for the joy set before Him endured the cross, despising the shame, and has sat down at the right hand of the throne of God. The King James and NKJV say looking but I like the idea of fixing our eyes on Jesus. Not losing sight nor closing our window towards Heaven, no matter what obstacles or challenges come before us. **Colossians 3:1-4 NKJV** If then you were raised with Christ, seek those things which are above, where Christ is, sitting at the right hand of God. Set your mind on things above, not on things on the earth. For you died, and your life is hidden with Christ in God. When Christ who is our life appears, then you also will appear with Him in glory.

We as Christians must remember that no matter what we go through in this life God has prepared a better place. Christ came down from Heaven and fulfilled the promise so that we could be a part of the family of God. When we keep our eyes fixed on Christ the distractions of this world will begin to fade away.

Our purpose in this life becomes clear and more satisfying because we are not trying to please self but to glorify God. Many studies show that a life directed at being selfless instead of being selfish often produces a much more peaceful life. That is exactly what the word of God teaches. **Philippians 2:1-4 NKJV** Therefore if there is any consolation in Christ, if any comfort of love, if any fellowship of the Spirit, if any affection and mercy, fulfill my joy by being like-minded, having the same love, being of one accord, of one mind. Let nothing be done through selfish ambition or conceit, but in lowliness of mind let each esteem others better than himself. Let each of you look out not only for his own interests, but also for the interests of others.

Window towards Jerusalem

So let us continue to faithfully trust in God. Let us always remember that God has never forsaken nor will He leave those who walk by His word. So as we journey through this life let us never pitch our tent towards Sodom but have our windows open to that spiritual Jerusalem which is Heaven