



Schedule of Events

Daylight Saving Times: turn clocks back on November 6.

Think on These Things Philippians 4:8

And the peace of God, which passeth all understanding, shall keep your hearts and minds through Christ Jesus. **Philippians 4:7 (KJV)**

Our Family News

Pray for / Alora Turner, Josiah, Helen Spicer, Bill and Peggy.
Pray for each other daily.

Traveling/Working / Hans and Brandon

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 / If we confess our sins, he is faithful and just to forgive us our sins, and to cleanse us from all unrighteousness. **1 John 1:9 (KJV)**

Wisdom for Today / For thou, Lord, art good, and ready to forgive; and plenteous in mercy unto all them that call upon thee. **Psalms 86:5 (KJV)**

AM Sermon / George Jensen

PM Sermon / George Jensen

Attendance last Sunday: 57 | For more information check our website at www.churchofchristwasilla.com

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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, Romans 6:4

"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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Come join us!

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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

Who is in Control?

By Joe Murdock

As we go through life we will often make choices based on several factors. One of those factors is consequences. Consequences are not always negative but can have positive outcomes. But what really affects those decisions is what foundation we have in making them. We can see this world is becoming increasingly open to accepting sin. Not as if the choices made are new sins for Solomon wrote "That which has been is what will be, That which is done is what will be done, And there is nothing new under the sun. Is there anything of which it may be said, "See, this is new"? It has already been in ancient times before us." **Ecclesiastes 1:9-10 NKJV** But what we are seeing is clearly a more open rebellion against God and His standard. **II Peter 2:10 NKJV "and especially those who walk according to the flesh in the lust of uncleanness and despise authority. They are presumptuous, self-willed. They are not afraid to speak evil of dignitaries,"** False teachers have always tried to influence the children of God and if I may be clear the church has not been unstained by this attempt. Friends what it boils down to is who we allow to be in control. Do we allow Satan or God. Man's wisdom or God's wisdom. Will we be slaves of sin or slaves of righteousness?

When we allow Satan to control our lives we will find ourselves in opposition to God. Now what that does not mean is, that we are not going to be held accountable for our actions as if we are a victim without consequences. Instead what it does mean is, when we allow the influence and deception of sin to impact our decision making we are aligning ourselves with the will of Satan. **"Do not love the world or the things in the world. If anyone loves the world, the love of the Father is not in him. For all that is in the world—the lust of the flesh, the lust of the eyes, and the pride of life—is not of the Father but is of the world. And the world is passing away, and the lust of it; but he who does the will of God abides forever."** **I John 2:15-17 NKJV** This warning from John teaches that the love for this world (the sinful arrangement) and the love for the Father are opposites. They do not work in the same realm. **"But if you have bitter envy and self-seeking in your hearts, do not boast and lie against the truth. This wisdom does not descend from above, but is earthly, sensual, demonic. For where envy and self-seeking exist, confusion and every evil thing are there."** **James 3:14-16 NKJV** We must be on guard to not allow ourselves to fall into the trap of thinking we can have a part time relationship with God. Or give God our left overs, to be a silent partner of His.



We can make a commitment and follow through on those commands. Fear of failure must not be our log jam in improving our relationship with God. When we take His word and start applying it to our lives with a loving and sincere faith we will be able to hear those wonderful words well done. **Matthew 25:21, 23 NKJV "His Lord said to him, 'Well done, good and faithful servant; you were faithful over a few things, I will make you ruler over many things. Enter into the joy of your Lord.'** His Lord said to him, 'Well done, good and faithful servant; you have been faithful over a few things, I will make you ruler over many things. Enter into the joy of your Lord.'" Paul reminds the church in Philippi of this life long journey **"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** We are to press on and not allow the past to prevent us from being wholly devoted to Christ so that we can hear His wonderful words.

But we must ask ourselves who is in control? Who are we going to allow influence our decisions? **Romans 6:15-16 NKJV "What then? Shall we sin because we are not under law but under grace? Certainly not! Do you not know that to whom you present yourselves slaves to obey, you are that one's slaves whom you obey, whether of sin leading to death, or of obedience leading to righteousness?"** As we continue in this life it is easy to want to join the crowd. To not draw too much attention to ones self by living, acting and speaking differently. Friends please rest assure that there is no better way to stand out then to stand out for God. While living a life for Him in this world may not always be well received. We are confident that our salvation is not lost by how others view us but how God does. **I John 5:13 NKJV "These things I have written to you who believe in the name of the Son of God, that you may know that you have eternal life, and that you may continue to believe in the name of the Son of God."** So again I ask you who is in control?

