

## Schedule of Events

**Agenda items to Bill by end of Sunday services today.**

**Men's meeting December 3rd follow Sunday morning services.**

**Be sure to check the bulletin board to see if there are areas where you can help.**



## Think on These Things

### Philippians 4:8

Now the purpose of the commandment is love from a pure heart, from a good conscience, and from sincere faith,

I Timothy 1:5 NKJV

## Our Family News

**Pray for /** Emily Hatley, the Kelly's, Danesa, Many traveling and dealing with illnesses.

## Today's Scripture

looking unto Jesus, the author and finisher of our faith, who for the joy that was set before Him endured the cross, despising the shame, and has sat down at the right hand of the throne of God.

Hebrews 12:2 NKJV

## Wisdom for Today

O Lord, You have searched me and known me. You know my sitting down and my rising up; You understand my thought afar off. You comprehend my path and my lying down, And are acquainted with all my ways.

Psalms 139:1-3 NKJV

**AM Sermon /** Joe Murdock

**PM Sermon /** Tom Betti

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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**

## **A Love for Truth**

**By Joe Murdock**

What a blessing it is when someone obeys God’s plan of salvation from a sincere heart. I mention from a “sincere heart” because it is sometimes true that some will go through the motions. This is done at times to please a parent, a friend or someone looking to be in a relationship. Now, bringing joy to a loved one because of obedience is not a bad thing in and of itself, but let us never allow that to be the sole purpose for obeying God’s saving plan. Let us always look to do what God’s will is because of a love for the truth. **I Samuel 12:23-25 NKJV** “Moreover, as for me, far be it from me that I should sin against the Lord in ceasing to pray for you; but I will teach you the good and the right way. Only fear the Lord, and serve Him in truth with all your heart; for consider what great things He has done for you. But if you still do wickedly, you shall be swept away, both you and your king.” This is what I would like to ask us in this article. That question is do we have a love for truth.

First we must ask what is truth. This is not a new question but one as old as time. However for our investigation of what is truth, we can look at an exchange between Jesus and Pilate. **John 18:37-38 NKJV** “Pilate therefore said to Him, ‘Are You a king then?’ Jesus answered, ‘You say rightly that I am a king. For this cause I was born, and for this cause I have come into the world, that I should bear witness to the truth. Everyone who is of the truth hears My voice.’ Pilate said to Him, ‘What is truth?’ And when he had said this, he went out again to the Jews, and said to them, ‘I find no fault in Him at all.’” Some might look at this exchange and think Jesus had avoided Pilate asking Him “what is truth?” However, what had our Lord said prior to Pilate asking his question. “Everyone who is of the truth hears My voice. Truth then must mean something that does not change. For we know that Christ is the same yesterday, today and forever (**Heb 13:8**).



Being able to know the truth is simply awesome. Think about what this means, if you know the truth and have a love for it the shackles of sin can be removed. **John 8:31-36 NKJV** “Then Jesus said to those Jews who believed Him, “If you abide in My word, you are My disciples indeed. And you shall know the truth, and the truth shall make you free.” They answered Him, “We are Abraham’s descendants, and have never been in bondage to anyone. How can You say, ‘You will be made free?’” Jesus answered them, “Most assuredly, I say to you, whoever commits sin is a slave of sin. And a slave does not abide in the house forever, but a son abides forever. Therefore if the Son makes you free, you shall be free indeed.” The benefits of being a lover of truth will lead one down the pathway of righteousness and into eternal life. Does this mean there won’t be times of struggle and even sin in our life, of course not. What we do see is that if we have a love for truth and keep our eyes fixed on Christ freedom is available.

When our love for truth goes weak we can find ourselves a slave to sin. Consider the outcome of this mindset. **II Thessalonians 2:10-12 NKJV** “and with all unrighteous deception among those who perish, because they did not receive the love of the truth, that they might be saved. And for this reason God will send them strong delusion, that they should believe the lie, that they all may be condemned who did not believe the truth but had pleasure in unrighteousness.” How scary it is to find ourselves following after a delusion all because we would not have a love for truth. Remember this does not come from God forcing a delusion or a lie upon us but because we reject the truth that is the words of eternal life. Will you commit yourself to the truth from a pure and sincere heart. Not to go through the motions or trying to appease man but because you love the saving redeemer!

