



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

Schedule of Events

Annual Outdoor meeting and VBS
scheduled June 10th-15th

Young ladies study 3:30p



Think on These Things

Philippians 4:8

My people are destroyed for lack of knowledge. Because you have rejected knowledge, I also will reject you from being priest for Me; Because you have forgotten the law of your God, I also will forget your children.

Hosea 4:6 NKJV

Our Family News

Pray for / Emily/Cody Hatley, Kelli Riley, Billie Tabor, Jean Watson, Jeannie Boatwright, Bill and Peggy, Charles Nordstrom, Elisabet, Bryan and Jackie Holland (Jennifer M's parents), Gann family (passing of Tyler's Grandmother), many others dealing with sicknesses, those who have left the church

Today's Scripture

Whoever transgresses and does not abide in the doctrine of Christ does not have God. He who abides in the doctrine of Christ has both the Father and the Son.

II John 1:9 NKJV

Wisdom for Today

If the ax is dull, And one does not sharpen the edge, Then he must use more strength; But wisdom brings success. A serpent may bite when it is not charmed; The babler is no different.

Ecclesiastes 10:10-11 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

Spirit of Toleration

By Joe Murdock

While watching an interview with Caleb Robertson and Alan Highers there was a discussion on modern day issues and how they are addressed. The specific topic discussed during this portion of the interview was debate and instrumental music. Brother Highers made the point that in today's atmosphere there is a spirit of toleration which did not exist 40 years ago. Due to that fact ignorance has moved into confusion which has turned into open fellowship. Open fellowship is the acceptance of vain worship and denominationalism within the church. This will be the matter at hand in this article. While it will not address all the issues, we will see what the Bible plainly teaches us on dealing with false teachers.

While one can only be a novice Bible student and see that compassion, patience and understanding are all necessary to be pleasing to God. Changing His word to allow open fellowship is something that cannot be done. Just the idea of thinking we can change the boundaries or limits that God has put on something is just plain foolish. While many passages can be used to expose the idea of open fellowship, we will just quote a couple.

III John 1:9-11 NKJV "I wrote to the church, but Diotrephes, who loves to have the preeminence among them, does not receive us. Therefore, if I come, I will call to mind his deeds which he does, prating against us with malicious words. And not content with that, he himself does not receive the brethren, and forbids those who wish to, putting them out of the church. Beloved, do not imitate what is evil, but what is good. He who does good is of God, but he who does evil has not seen God." Clearly the apostle John was warning the church to not extend fellowship to this tyrant. Diotrephes deeds were evil and could not be tolerated. Were his deeds like that of a murderer, adulterer or idolater, no they were not. Yet he, because of his deeds, was to be rejected and dealt with.

Another passage with warning about false teacher's is found in Paul's conversation with the elders in **Miletus Acts 20:28-31 NKJV** "Therefore take heed to yourselves and to all the flock, among which the Holy Spirit has made you overseers, to shepherd the church of God which He purchased with His own blood. For I know

this, that after my departure savage wolves will come in among you, not sparing the flock. Also from among yourselves men will rise up, speaking perverse things, to draw away the disciples after themselves. Therefore watch, and remember that for three years I did not cease to warn everyone night and day with tears."

The Bible is filled with Old Testament examples and New Testament patterns in which we can learn and follow when dealing with false teachers. We must do our part by studying scripture daily and understanding history.

Taking the time to understand history and diligently search the scriptures will arm us. Arm us to defend the truth and not allow open fellowship to plague us through a spirit of tolerance. While this point was mentioned earlier in the article compassion, patience and grace must always be extended. We must be careful to never change the scope of fellowship as outlined in scripture. **I John 1:5-7 NKJV** "This is the message which we have heard from Him and declare to you, that God is light and in Him is no darkness at all. If we say that we have fellowship with Him, and walk in darkness, we lie and do not practice the truth. But if we walk in the light as He is in the light, we have fellowship with one another, and the blood of Jesus Christ His Son cleanses us from all sin." Being covered in the blood of Jesus is a must, practicing the truth is a must and walking in the light is a must. Not because I came up with it, but because God's word clearly teaches it. Will you have a spirit of toleration or a spirit of truth. The choice is yours, as is the outcome!

