

“The Light on
the Hill” Matthew 5:14-16



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10:00 AM till 3:00 PM
Monday through Friday

Worship and Bible Study Hours:

SUNDAY

Bible Study 9:30 AM
Worship 10:30 AM
Worship 6:00 PM

WEDNESDAY

Bible Study 7:00 PM

Golden Ager's Meeting:

2nd & 4th Tuesday—11:00 am.

Ladies Bible Class:

1st Tuesday of the month-11:00 am.

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Today's Sermons and Scripture Reading

A.M. William Hopkins
P.M. William Hopkins

WHAT DOES THE LORD REQUIRE?

The prophet Micah asked God's people, "What does the Lord require of you but to do justly, to love mercy, and to walk humbly with your God? (Micah 6:8)

Searching for an answer, the Bible student will do well to focus on the Book of James. This book has been called the most practical book in the Bible. This is true because it deals with every aspect of a person's life that had the slightest desire to walk humbly with God.

In chapter one, James gives some practical advice to those who are experiencing difficult problems in life suggesting that walking with God requires a deep abiding faith that will not waver. Later on in the chapter he tells us that we need to be doers of the Word and not hearers only, because it is possible to deceive ourselves into thinking all is well when in fact we are ignoring the sins that is separating us from God.

In chapter two, he gives us direction in dealing with those around us, especially those who are quite different from us. He says that the person who claims to have faith will not just talk to talk, but walk the walk. He uses the example of Abraham and Rahab to illustrate the need to walk by faith.

In chapter three, he gives us some good advice in the use of our tongue. The wise person who is walking with God will show by what he says the wisdom that is from above in that it is first pure, then peaceable, gentle, willing to yield, full of mercy and good fruits, without partiality and without hypocrisy." (James 3:17)

Chapter four deals with the heart as it is filled with envy and worldliness. He describes this heart as the cause of all fighting and war. This heart must be cleansed and purified. The only possibility of obtaining a saving relationship with God is to humiliate yourself in the sight of the Lord. The reason for this action is exemplified in the fact that no one is promised more than the present. Not to make the changes necessary in life is sin and unacceptable to God.

Chapter five concludes this wise instruction by warning God's people as to the danger of riches. When our focus is on making a

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Remember in Your Prayers

In the Clifton Family:

Terry Harris is home from the hospital. Her tests results were not good. Special prayers are requested.

Jeff McDonough was treated and released from the hospital on Tuesday evening. He is undergoing tests.

Kara McCray's tests revealed an infection that will require long-term treatment. Please continue to pray for her.

Others in the Clifton family needing prayers: Jack Kemp, Debbie Shropshire, Mary Stallworth, Holly Speight, Hope Hamon, Sonny Showes, Lena Mosley, Lillian Roberts.



Please also pray for:

Family and Friends:

Mae Young, Charlie's sister had surgery this past week. It went well and she will continue treatment beginning next week.

Ben Clark (Army) who is serving in Afghanistan.

Mellony Howe (USAF) serving in Haiti.

Sherman Arthur —(Fred & Hope Hamon's friend).

“Blessed is the nation whose God is the Lord” Psalm 3:12

1 BAPTIZED; 2 REQUEST PRAYERS

We rejoice with God's angels at a new addition to His family and our body at Clifton. On Sunday, February 14, 2010, **Jonathan Jordan** was baptized into Christ. He is the son of Jon & Jenny Jordan. Make sure to greet and encourage this new young Christian.

Jon Jordan came forward asking our prayers. He is struggling physically and spiritually.

Herman Rackley came asking our prayers, saying he is not living as he ought to.

CONGRATULATIONS !! to Grandma Linda and Great-Grandma Martha Hendricks at the birth of a baby girl, **Madlyn Elizabeth** (7 lbs. 6 oz.) to Kristin and Joey Hendricks on Monday, February 15. Mom and baby are both doing fine and should be at home now. They live in Lexington, KY.

SPECIAL CONTRIBUTION FOR EARTHQUAKE RELIEF IN HAITI

The tragic events in Haiti have left thousands of people without basic items (water, food, shelter).

Today is the last day to contribute. Put your donation in an envelope and place it in the offering trays. We will be sending our contribution to the brethren at the White's Ferry Rd. Church of Christ in Monroe, LA who are connected in Haiti to the relief program.

NEXT GOLDEN AGE MEETING WILL BE TUESDAY, FEBRUARY 23, 2010

Ray Harris will be speaking. They will eating at the building following the devotional. The last meeting was cancelled due to weather.

PANCAKE APPRECIATION BREAKFAST The Clifton Youth Group cordially invites the Ministers, Elders & their wives to a pancake breakfast on Saturday, March 20th - 9 am at the building. (Students should be at the church building by 7 am to cook & set up.)

YOUTH GROUP AT WINTERFEST THIS WEEKEND

20 Juniors/Senior high school and college students and chaperones from Clifton are at Winterfest (Gatlinburg) this weekend. They are expected to return around 3 PM today. **Please pray for their safe trip home.**

Weekly Events:

Worship Sunday Morning—10:30 Sunday Evening —6:00
Bible Classes Sunday Morning — 9:30 Wednesday Evening — 7:00
Golden Agers Meetings every second and fourth Tuesdays — 10:30 A.M.
Regular Elders Meetings: 1st Sunday of each month—4:00 P.M.
3rd Tuesday of each month-7:00 P.M.

Cassette tapes are available of every sermon.
See Jack Kemp for info.

Sermons and bulletins are also available on the web.

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For the Record– February 14

Attendance	Contribution	Budget
Sunday A.M 98	Sunday P.M. 50	\$ 2,642.00
Wednesday P.M 48	Average Weekly Contribution in 2010: \$3,110.29	

Lord require continued:

living, sooner or later our spiritual well being will suffer. The solution to all this is centered in patient living and a life of prayer based upon our understanding of the grace of God and the need of His direction for our lives.

It appears that these are essential in the life of the person who desires to possess an active relationship with God. Maybe it is the reason why so many do not find satisfaction and fulfillment in life. Because of the relevancy of this admonition, it will be the focus of several future articles.

Bill

FORT HILL CHRISTIAN YOUTH CAMP

Current monthly bulletins are in the mail this week. Information and registration forms will soon be out. We encourage everyone to take advantage of the events the camp offers. The cost for regular camp weeks is \$120.00 (\$110.00 if postmarked by May 1).

Our Actions Must Reflect God's Word

Romans 14: 13-23

This passage urges us to pursue peace and harmony and not let the childish and petty things of life divide us. This passage uses the illustration of food as a point of division in the early church to drive home this position! We are not to cause people to stumble by our actions or inactions. Our faith and actions are monitored closely by God as well as by other people, and we must realize that our actions are more influential than our words. We will either lift people up or bring them down! Hypocrisy is perhaps the most deadly threat to new or weak Christians who fall victim to it, and is a sin against Christ and His children by those who cause it! We, as a body of Christ, must seek to show right actions to each other, to be cautious, and to act with charity, humility, and self-denial within our Christian liberty.

Wayne, For your Elders

BIBLE TRIVIA:

- ** The name "Jesus" is mentioned 1,281 times in the Bible
- ** The name of "God" appears 6,828 times in the Bible
- ** The Bible does not say how many wise men came to see Jesus. The traditional number of three came about because three gifts are mentioned.
- ** The three gifts of the Magi had a prophetic meaning: gold, the gift for a king; incense, the gift for a priest, and myrrh, a burial ointment as a gift for one who would die.
- ** Thunder is frequently associated with the voice of God in the Bible

SCHEDULED TO SERVE

AM WORSHIP

ANNOUNCEMENTS

READ SCRIPTURE

LEAD PRAYER

LEAD COMMUNION

LEAD SINGING

February 21

Jeff McDonough

Jim Stephens

Tim Speight

C. Surber

Jeff Casey

February 28

Jeff McDonough

Jack Kemp

Wayne McCray

Larry Seward

Jeff Casey

PM WORSHIP

ANNOUNCEMENTS

READ SCRIPTURE

LEAD PRAYER

LEAD COMMUNION

LEAD SINGING

Jeff McDonough

Brent Sexton

Wayne McCray

R. Harris/ T. Thompson

Jeff Casey

Jeff McDonough

Brent Sexton

Scott Johnson

T. Speight/ J. Stephens

Jeff Casey

WEDNESDAY

ANNOUNCEMENTS

LEAD PRAYER

LEAD SINGING

February 24

Jeff McDonough

Scott Johnson

Jeff Casey

March 3

Jeff McDonough

Ray Harris

Jeff Casey

COUNT & RECORD ATTENDANCE: Charles Surber/ Fred Hamon

LOCK BUILDING: Fred Hamon

GREETERS: Doris Surber/ Joy Carstens

Words of inspiration

*“Jesus is the One to run to
When our lives bring grief
and pain;
He provides His strength
and guidance
With a peace we can’t
explain.” —Sper*

***When all is lost, re-
member that you
haven’t lost Jesus.
Run to Him.***

This cannot be solved during the Bible Class period!

Parents may help the younger children.

Even though you do not get all correct, the first child who gets the most correct will receive the prize.

Unscramble these words to figure out what this verse is:

According buried,
for that third
Christ was and to
our Scriptures,
died and . . . That
according the sins again
that He rose Scriptures . . .
The He today the

HINT: 1 Corinthians 15