

Those To Serve

Oct. 5th, 2025

Morning Worship

Announcements

Zac Hall

Song Leader

Ed Hanson

Opening Prayer

George Thomas

Preside

Steve Phillips

Assist

George Thomas

Closing Prayer

Steve Phillips

Evening Worship

Opening Prayer

Steve Phillips

Closing Prayer

George Thomas

Lord's Supper

Ed Hanson

Wednesday Oct. 8th

Song Leader

Ed Hanson

Invitation

Zac Hall

Building And Communion for The Week of Oct. 12th

Julia Thrasher

Lawn And Ground for The Week of Oct. 12th

George Thomas

The Park Street Proclaimer

Those Fighting Cancer

Leanna Shafer, Cody Carr, and Don Stephenson

Prayer List

Barbra Hook, Susan Tigner, Pj McCray, Wayne Stilwell, Ed Jones, Donna Jones, Drew Shinn, and Joe Tigner.

Shut - Ins

Debbie McGuire, Millie Robertson, and Lee Brunner

Upcoming Events

Youth Rally Chipman Rd Church of Christ Oct. 10th - 11th

Ladies Class Oct. 11th at 10:00 am

Men's Meeting Oct. 12th following worship

Ladies Digging Deep Oct. 25th at 11:00 am

Questions and Answers Oct. 26th

Singing Oct. 29th

Passage to Ponder: John 3:2

The same came to Jesus by night, and said unto him, Rabbi, we know that thou art a teacher come from God: for no man can do these miracles that thou doest, except God be with him.

Sunday Sermons

Am – The Portraits of Christ: The Master Teacher

Pm – Rejoice Evermore

Bible Studies

Sunday Morning – Acts 4:13

Wednesday Night – Isaiah 26:10



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WORSHIP SCHEDULE

Sunday

Bible Study 9:30 AM
Morning Worship..... 10:30 AM
Evening Worship..... 6:00 PM

Wednesday

Bible Study 7:00 PM

Preacher: Zac Hall

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Are You a Christian?

Do you know what you must do to be saved?

Hear – Romans 10:17

Believe – John 8:24

Repent – Acts 17:30

Confess – Romans 10:9-10

Be Baptized – 1 Peter 3:21

Live Faithfully – Revelation 2:10

Got a Bible question?

Be sure to submit it in the blue box on the table in the foyer! You can also text your question to 913-764-2325 or email it to olathecoc@gmail.com

Questions will be answered the last Sunday evening of each month.

“Faith” The Seventh Characteristic of “the Fruit of the Spirit”

Part 1

Chuck Northrop

Faith is the seventh attribute of "the fruit of the Spirit." Along with love, joy, peace, longsuffering, gentleness, and goodness, there is faith — all describing the singular "fruit of the Spirit." Though faith should not be emphasized above the other characteristics, it is a vital and crucial topic because without faith it is impossible to please God (Hebrews 11:6). However, in order to please God, we must have the right kind of faith. Not just any faith pleases God nor is this characteristic of "the fruit of the Spirit."

Within the pages of Holy Writ, there are basically two kinds of faith: dead faith which is the faith of devils and saving faith. The faith of devils is mere belief or knowledge of facts. James says, "Thou believest that there is one God; thou doest well: the devils also believe, and tremble" (James 2:19). The devils have knowledge of who God is and who God's Son is. They also know and believe Jesus died for the sins of the world, but this is as far as their faith goes. They do not have saving faith, and, therefore, they tremble in fear of God and His judgment.

Saving faith is belief coupled with obedience of acts of faith. When Paul was in Philippi, he and Silas were beaten and imprisoned. After the miracle of the earthquake, the jailhouse doors were opened, and "everyone's bands were loosed," the Jailer asked, "Sirs, what must I do to be saved?" (Acts 16:19-30). Paul answered, "Believe on the Lord Jesus Christ, and thou shalt be saved, and thy house" (Acts 16:31). Was Paul commanding them to merely believe? I think not. Why? Because of the following verses. In verse 32, the text goes on to say, "And they spake unto him the word of the Lord, and to all that were in his house." Because "faith cometh by hearing, and hearing by the word of God" (Romans 10:17), their faith was being increased by the word spoken to them. Then verse 33 says, "And he took them the same hour of the night, and washed their stripes; and was baptized, he and all his, straightway." Why did the Jailor and his family wash their stripes? Because they were repenting of their sin of beating Paul and Silas. By washing their stripes, they were helping the healing process, and thus correcting their sin as much as humanly possible. Also notice in this verse, they were baptized. Finally, in verse 34, we find them rejoicing. Why? Because their sins were washed away. At the point of mere belief? No, after they heard the word, repented, and were baptized. Finally, notice the summary Luke gives by inspiration, "believing in God with all his house." Luke summarizes all that they did in the word "believing." Thus, we see saving faith includes acts of obedience. For this reason, James says:

- "Yea, a man may say, Thou hast faith, and I have works: shew me thy faith without thy works, and I will shew thee my faith by my works" (James 2:18).
- "But wilt thou know, O vain man, that faith without works is dead?" (James 2:20).
- "Seest thou how faith wrought with his works, and by works was faith made perfect?" (James 2:22).
- "Ye see then how that by works a man is justified, and not by faith only" (James 2:24).
- "For as the body without the spirit is dead, so faith without works is dead also" (James 2:26).

Therefore, without obedient, saving faith it is impossible to please God.

Part two next week