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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

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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, email, or message the Facebook page. Questions will be answered the last Sunday evening of each month.

*The Park Street Informer*

**ILL**

Those Fighting Cancer: Barbra Hook, Drew Shinn, and Loren Hall

**Prayer List**

Mike Katosh, James Jones, Tina Thomas, Millie Robertson, Brandon Hall, Pj McCray, Angel Rendon, Juan Cardenas.

**Shut-Ins**

Ted Thrasher, Debbie McGuire.

**Upcoming Events**

- Men’s Meeting Aug. 11<sup>th</sup>
- Questions and Answers Aug. 25<sup>th</sup>
- Singing Aug. 28<sup>th</sup>
- Ladies Day at Chipman Road Aug. 24<sup>th</sup> more info on bulletin board.
- Our Ladies Day with Leah Thrasher Oct. 26<sup>th</sup>
- Our Gospel Meeting with Trent Thrasher Oct. 27<sup>th</sup> – 30<sup>th</sup>

**Passage to Ponder: 1 Peter 2:21**

For even hereunto were ye called: because Christ also suffered for us, leaving us an example, that ye should follow his steps:

**Sunday Sermons**

- A.M.....I Want to Be More Like Jesus
- P.M.....Prayer in James 5

# **Those To Serve**

**Aug. 11<sup>th</sup>, 2024**

## **Morning Worship**

### **Announcements**

Ed Hanson

### **Song Leader**

George Thomas

### **Opening Prayer**

Steve Phillips

### **Preside**

Zac Hall

### **Assist**

Ron Campbell

### **Closing Prayer**

Ed Hanson

## **Evening Worship**

### **Opening Prayer**

Zac Hall

### **Closing Prayer**

Steve Phillips

### **Lord's Supper**

George Thomas

**Wed. Aug. 14<sup>th</sup>, 2024**

### **Song Leader**

Ed Hanson

### **Invitation**

George Thomas

## **Christ the Foolish?**

Brendan Carr

Throughout the world there are some that do not believe in Jesus. There are those that doubt His deity, there are those that doubt He existed, and there are those that do not believe in the message of the cross. Nothing has really changed from the first century. There were those that during the lifetime of Christ doubted Him and from then on there have always been critics. What do we think? Is the message of the cross foolishness?

In 1 Corinthians 1:18 it says, "For the preaching of the cross is to them that perish foolishness; but unto us which are saved it is the power of God." There are those that certainly find the cross of Christ as foolishness. Notice the point that is clearly made. Those that are viewing the message of the cross as foolishness, are the same group that are perishing. That is the present tense, right now they are perishing. This exposes to us as readers that our conduct in this physical life has a determining factor on our eternal state. The unbelievers are currently perishing, they have eternal death awaiting them after physical death, unless they repent (c.f. Luke 13:3). During the first century there are 2 major divisions that can be said that doubted Christ. The Jews and the Greeks. 1 Corinthians 1:22 says, "For the Jews require a sign, and the Greeks seek after wisdom:". During Jesus' lifetime the Jews continually asked for Him to prove that He is the Son of God (c.f. Matthew 16:1). The Jews completely ignored the signs that Jesus had done before and continually wanted a sign, and Jesus did more miracles/signs than any before Him (c.f. John 20:30-31). The Greeks are known for their philosophy and "logic". There are many men, such as Socrates and Plato, that even today are renowned for their philosophical works. When they hear the message of the cross it has, in their minds, no logic within it. It did not harmonize with their wisdom; thus, it was foolishness. There are even those that believe in Christ that find the cross as foolishness. They may confess that they believe in Jesus, but in their actions they reveal what they really think. These are individuals that disobey the commands of God. Those that say, "baptism really is not necessary for salvation" or, "I know that is what the Bible says, but what it means to me is...". These are individuals that see the cross as foolishness because they deny the commands of Christ the Master (c.f. Matthew 28:18-20; Romans 6:1-18). All of these groups, whether they know it or not, are presently perishing because of their constant state of disobedience.

The latter half of 1 Corinthians 1:18 says, "but unto us which are saved it is the power of God." The attention shifts from looking at the unbelieving and disobedient to the believing and obedient. The believing and obedient have the present state "which are saved". Christians deny the "wisdom of the wise" and the "understanding of the prudent" and they have accepted the "foolish" message. This "foolish" message is that God came in the flesh, died upon the cross as an innocent man, and resurrected 3 days later defeating Satan and death. They understand that man alone has no power over death (c.f. Jeremiah 10:23). The power of the message of the cross is power over death (c.f. 1 Corinthians 15:20-21) and power over Satan (c.f. Ephesians 6:11). The message of the cross has no need to be "dressed up" or altered to attract to a group of people (c.f. 1 Corinthians 1:17). How sad it is when some try to alter the Scriptures to attract to a group of people! There are those that use their own wisdom of words to make the Bible attract to those of the world. Christians ought to just speak what is found in the pages of the Canon (the Bible). Those words are "the power of God unto salvation" (Romans 1:16). We ought to speak that which the Scriptures declare unto us.

It does not matter how the world views the message of the cross. The conclusion is, "Because the foolishness of God is wiser than men; and the weakness of God is stronger than men" (1 Corinthians 1:25). What is viewed as foolishness (the cross) and viewed as weakness (the death of Christ) is truly the wisdom of God. Are we spreading this wise message?