

Those To Serve

Sep. 28th, 2025

Morning Worship

Announcements

George Thomas

Song Leader

Zac Hall

Opening Prayer

Steve Phillips

Preside

Ed Hanson

Assist

Steve Phillips

Closing Prayer

George Thomas

Evening Worship

Opening Prayer

Ed Hanson

Closing Prayer

George Thomas

Lord's Supper

Zac Hall

Wednesday Oct. 1st

Song Leader

Ed Hanson

Invitation

Gospel Meeting

Building And Communion for The Week of Oct. 5th

Zac Hall

Lawn And Ground for The Week of Oct. 5th

Zac Hall

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, Paula Stilwell and Joe Tigner.

Shut - Ins

Debbie McGuire, Millie Robertson, and Lee Brunner

Upcoming Events

Ladies Day With Shenja Brownlow-Dindy Sep. 27th

Gospel Meeting with Terrance Brownlow-Dindy Sep. 28th – Oct. 1st

Passage to Ponder: Matthew 16:24

Then said Jesus unto his disciples, If any man will come after me, let him deny himself, and take up his cross, and follow me.

Gospel Meeting

Sunday 9:30 am – God Defines Devotion to Him

Sunday 10:30 am – Complete Devotion is the Lord's Expectation

Sunday 6:00 pm – Devoted to Faithful Attendance

Monday 7:00 pm – Devoted to Christian Relationships

Tuesday 7:00 pm – Devoted to Strong Preaching

Wednesday 7:00 pm – Devoted to Eternal Life



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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.

“Goodness” The Sixth Characteristic of “the Fruit of the Spirit”

Part 2

Chuck Northrop

However, there is another side to this account. The rich young ruler was obviously conceited about his own goodness. When Jesus told him to "keep the commandments" (Matthew 19:17), he said, "Master, all these have I observed from my youth" (Mark 10:20). Once again, the good character of Jesus is displayed. "Then Jesus beholding him loved him, and said unto him, One thing thou lackest: go thy way, sell whatsoever thou hast, and give to the poor, and thou shalt have treasure in heaven: and come, take up the cross, and follow me" (Mark 10:21). In kindness, Jesus invited him to be a disciple, but in goodness, Jesus was stern and candidly pointed out his lacking. As in "the fruit of the Spirit," both qualities stem from love. Because of His love, Jesus was direct with the rich young ruler, and in so doing, He convicted him that he was really not as good as he thought. Sadly instead of repenting, the young man went away grieved.

The opposite of goodness is evil or bad. Concerning the children of promise, Isaac and Jacob, Paul wrote in Romans 9:11, "For the children being not yet born, neither having done any good or evil, that the purpose of God according to election might stand, not of works, but of him that calleth." The action of Isaac and Jacob, whether good or evil, did not influence God's choice. God's providential plan to bless all the nations of the earth was through Abraham's and Isaac's seed. Isaac was blessed over Ishmael and Jacob over Esau not because they were good or bad, but because they were children of promise. Thus, through the seed of Isaac and Jacob — Christ, we, too, are children of promise.

Also, in 2 Corinthians 5:10, Paul writes, "For we must all appear before the judgment seat of Christ; that every one may receive the things done in his body, according to that he hath done, whether it be good or bad." In the original language, the word "bad" in this verse and the word "evil" in Romans 9:11 are the same. It means base, wrong, or wicked and refers to a person or thing that lack those qualities they ought to possess whether in action or thoughts. Similarly, Jesus said, "Marvel not at this: for the hour is coming, in the which all that are in the graves shall hear his voice, And shall come forth; they that have done good, unto the resurrection of life; and they that have done evil, unto the resurrection of damnation" (John 5:28-29). Those who are characterized by "the fruit of the Spirit," goodness, will be rewarded with eternal life, and those who do evil will be rewarded with death (eternal separation from God) and damnation.

What does it mean to do good? Can a person simply do acts of kindnesses and expect to inherit eternal life? The answer is NO! Remember Jesus said, "there is none good but one, that is, God" "For all have sinned, and come short of the glory of God" (Romans 3:23). Doing good doesn't take away or "balance the scale" concerning sin. Instead, the perfect blood of Christ was shed to take away sins (Matthew 26:28; Ephesians 1:7). Therefore to have forgiveness, one must come into contact with His blood which is a true act of goodness on man's part. In order to come into contact with the blood of Christ, one must obey the gospel (see 2 Thessalonians 1:7-9). A person obeys the gospel after hearing the word, and based upon this hearing, one comes to believe "that Jesus is the Christ, the Son of God" (John 20:30-31) and turns from his or her sins by repentance (Acts 17:30). A person, then, continues in obedient faith by confessing his or her faith before others (Matthew 10:32-33) and by being baptized "in the name of Jesus Christ for the remission of sins" (Acts 2:38). This is just the beginning! Once a person obeys the gospel, he or she must live faithfully as a Christian — a life characterized by "the fruit of the Spirit."