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We offer FREE: 4 Bible correspondence course series by mail: an 8 lesson series by Hurt, a 6 lesson series "Acts Of The Apostles" by Pharr, the "Studies In The Bible" 30 lesson series, and the 20 lesson series "Getting To Know Jesus" by Pharr. Let everyone know!

Away From Truth, Here We Go, and Where It Stops, Nobody Knows

The church by the end of the apostles and prophets of the 1st century was exactly like God in Christ wanted it to be. We find that by the death of the apostles and prophets of the 1st century, all things that pertain to life and godliness was given to us, was written down, and we today when we read what they wrote, we know what they knew. Thus when we look at apostasies we look at departures from truth. Throughout the years from Pentecost, 33 AD, following the death, burial, and resurrection of Christ the faithful saints have always existed on earth. They were not the most influential and they were (are) not the largest group, but they always existed. Keep in mind the dates of these apostasies may vary slightly depending on the historian that you choose to follow.

Sin is sin, false teaching is false teaching. It does not matter if it developed like in 154 A.D. with baptism for the dead or you go to 1870 and discuss the infallibility of the Pope, false teaching is false teaching. Just a sampling from the list in V. Glenn McCoy's book "Return To The Old Paths", pp. 16-9 are:

- 1. Distinction made between elders A.D. 150.
- 2. Baptism for the dead A.D. 154.
- 3. Prayers for the dead A.D. 300.
- 4. Sign of the cross was practiced A.D. 300.
- 5. Lighting of candles instead of individual prayers A.D. 320.
- The Lord's Supper was changed into a mass and celebrated daily A.D. 394.
- 7. The phrase "Mother of God" was applied to Mary by the council meeting at Ephesus.
- 8. Extreme unction (anointing of the newly dead or those about to die) A.D. 526.
- 9. The actual formal establishment of the doctrine of purgatory (a second chance for dead sinners from which one could escape through money paid to priests who, offer prayers for them) by Gregory I A.D. 593.
- 10. Latin became the official language for prayer and worship, imposed by Gregory I A.D. 600.
- 11. Near deification of Mary as "queen of heaven." Prayers made to Mary, dead saints, angels imposed by Gregory I A.D. 600.
- 12. The title "pope" or "universal bishop" was given to Boniface III by emperor Phocas A.D. 606.
- 13. Instrumental music was introduced in church worship in A.D. 670 by Pope Vitalia. However, it created such a furor that it was removed and reintroduced much later. (~900 AD)
- 14. Worshipping of the cross, images, and relics A.D. 786.
- 15. Hagiolatry, worshipping of departed saints A.D. 788
- 16. Holy water (water mixed with a pinch of salt and blessed by priest) used A.D. 850.
- 17. College of Cardinals established A.D. 890.
- 18. Dead "saints" canonized by authority of Pope John XV A.D. 998.
- 19. Rosary invented by Peter the Hermit (counting of beads in prayer).
- 20. The sale of indulgences in sin began in 1190. (Pope Leo X financed a good part of the building of St. Peter's Cathedral in Rome by this means. This was one of the 95 points included in the thesis of Martin Luther that was nailed to the door of the Wittenberg, Germany church in A.D. 1517.)
- 21. Confession of sins to the priest for the purpose of forgiveness of sins (auricular confession) was imposed by Pope Innocent III A.D. 1215.
- 22. Sprinkling was approved for baptism by Council of Ravenna A.D. 1311.
- 23. Tradition was declared by the Council of Trent to be equal in authority with the Bible A.D. 1545.
- 24. Infallibility of the Pope A.D. 1870

The definition of apostasy is people changing what God has given in the Scriptures. If you change one element of the church, if you change any part of that once delivered faith, then you are no longer a part of the church, that organization that was blood bought by Christ. He is the head of the church, He is still the head of the church, and He will always be that the head of the church. Nothing has changed.

The teachings we have today are the teachings that were practiced in the 1st century. When you worship with the Lord's church and you sing without mechanical instruments, you pray, you give, you participate in the Lord's Supper, and you listen to exhortations from the Word of God, you are doing exactly what they did in the 1st century. It doesn't need to be changed, it doesn't need to be altered, it cannot be made better. To begin to move from the truth of God's Word, brings further and further movement away from the truth.

-Jerry D. Sturgill

News & Notes



Sermons Today

AM- "Meaning"

PM- "The Decline of Doctrine"

Scripture Reading: 2 Tim. 4:1-5

Dates to Remember

Apr 7- Prime-timers- 10am- annex

Apr 11- Day Kids' Birthday party-4p-annex

Apr 14- Prime-timers- 10am- annex

Apr 14 – Ladies Devotional, Janet Rose's home -6:30pm

Apr 19 - Youth/Parent lunch- annex-noon

Apr 19 – elders, deacons, preachers meet – 4:30

Apr 20-22- Greasy Ridge gospel meet-7pm

Apr 21 - Prime-timers - 10am - annex

Apr 24- Ladies Luncheon-12:30-at

Gerber's in Greenup

Apr 26 - Potluck luncheon - 12pm - annex

Apr 26-29 - Gospel Meeting with Jerry

Carmichael- theme: "Come To Jesus"

Apr 27-29 – Morning Bible study classes with Jerry Carmichael – 10am

May 8- Little School graduation-7pm

May 16- Workday Saturday & barbeque

June 10- Cake, coffee & tea-8pm

July 11- Picnic Saturday

Jul 27-31 - Vacation Bible School - 6:30-8:30p

Aug 9-Ice cream & dessert night-7p-annex

Sept 12 - Men's Leadership training-

Stephen Rogers

<u>Sept 13</u> – Potluck luncheon-12pm- annex <u>Sept 13</u>–16 – Gospel Meeting-Stephen Rogers

Gauging Our Faith

	03/29/15	Goal	03/30/14
Bible Study	95	110	86
AM Worship	139	150	134
PM Worship	103	110	90
Mid Week	79	110	89
Contribution:	\$5898.50	\$5500.00	\$5335.30

New Members

Last Sunday, March 29, Nathan and Serpell Adkins placed membership in our congregation. They and their sons, Houston and Tanner, live at 1054 Coon Hollow Dr., Blue Creek, Ohio 45616.

New Brother and Sister in Christ

On Tuesday, March 31, Adam and Elizabeth Poplin were baptized by Mark Day. Their contact information will follow. Please, welcome them to our congregation.

Monthly Ladies' Devotional

On Tuesday, April 14th at 6:30pm, Janet Rose will hold a devotional in her home. Please sign the list on the foyer bulletin board if you plan to attend or if you can host one at your home, in the annex or wherever you'd like. Please, give your month's arrangements to the secretary as soon as possible. Thank you.

Lawn Maintenance Time

It is that time of year again. Please, volunteer to help cut grass, etc. Your help is always needed and appreciated. See Greg Conley with questions. There is a sign-up sheet on the bulletin board.

FBI Class

The spring semester class is on 1st & 2nd Thessalonians, taught by Mark Day on Thursdays from 7 - 8:30pm in the annex. Anyone high school age and above can attend any class.



wToday's Servants @

WELCOME:

AM/PM: Greg Hall

SONG LEADER:

AM: Jeremiah Smith **PM:** Chris Scott

FIRST PRAYER:

AM: Jerry Sturgill **PM:** Denny Deskins

LORD'S TABLE:

Presiding AM: J.C. Hughes
Assisting: David Smith,
Nathan Parks, Tim Hammond,
Adam Gullett, David Castle,
Michael Perry, Bob Tushay

Presiding PM: David Smith **Assisting:** Don Music

CLOSING PRAYER:

AM: Bobby Edmonds

PM: Will Scott

> Wednesday Servants @

WELCOME: Greg Conley **SONG LEADER**: Nathan Parks

PRAYER: J.C. Hughes **DEVOTIONAL:** Chris Scott

™ Weekly Servants

POWER POINT: Matt Vonderheide **BLDG. ATTENDANT:** J.C. Hughes **ATTENDANCE:** Mitch Stafford **COORDINATOR:** Brad Morris

New Information to be in the Pictorial Directory

Along with information currently in pictorial directory, we would like to include your place of employment, occupation, etc. And for those retired or disabled, you may want to include what you did before retiring. Of course no one is required to include anything. This will give an opportunity to patronize those who may provide services we need, and may be a connection for a friend-ship or show skills that could be used within the congregation. There is a paper on the foyer table for you to complete by April 19.

*** Youth Notes ***

★Every Sunday★ Pew Packers

at 5:45pm- in the front
of the auditorium
-geared to age 12 & underall boys: have a favorite song
ready to lead for the group

Apr. 19 Youth/Parent Luncheon

in the annex following morning worship- to include planning for summer activities

