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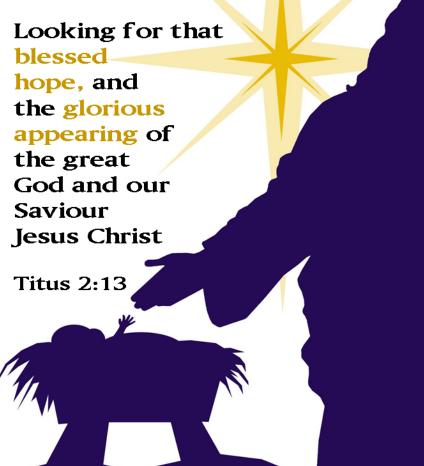
Sundays 7:30 am (on Fox)

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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!

#### Jesus Standing at the Right Hand of God

Last month we examined the importance of Jesus sitting at the right hand of God. We noticed that the right hand was a place of equal power, authority, and honor. Christ is God. God the Father and God the Son are equals; one is not greater than the other. The fact Jesus is sitting indicates He has completed His task. He accomplished His objective at the cross and now He sits in Heaven next to God. Yet, an interesting scene is presented at Stephen's death. As the Jewish council prepared to stone him, Stephen saw Jesus **standing** at the right hand of God (Acts 7:54-55). Stephen said, "Look! I see the heavens opened, and the Son of Man **standing** at the right hand of God!" (Acts 7:56). This is the only place in the New Testament where Jesus is recorded as **standing** next to God. Since Luke was guided by the Holy Spirit and a physician by trade, it should not surprise us that he was meticulous about writing every minute detail. There is a reason Luke wrote this account as he did. In this article, the 2 most likely reasons will be considered.

When royalty stands, it is either out of anger or honor for the person before him. The Bible, in several places, validates this statement. King Ahasuerus arose out of anger when Esther revealed Haman's plot to kill the Jewish people (Est. 7:1-7). Out of anger, Jonathan arose from the table while he argued with his father Saul concerning David (1 Sam. 20:34). When Isaiah was preaching to Judah about their sinful living, the prophet described the Lord as standing up to judge them. God's anger caused Him to arise and judge those who were living in wickedness (Is. 3:8-15). On the other hand, royalty also will stand when they wish to honor someone. When Jonah's message of Nineveh's destruction reached the Assyrian king, he arose and humbled himself before God (Jonah 3:4-10). When Josiah ordered the Law to be read to all the people of Jerusalem, he stood beside a pillar at the temple and made a covenant before the Lord (2 Kgs. 23:1-3). These verses illustrate that royalty stood either out of anger or out of respect, depending on the person. Jesus standing at Stephen's death may have been both out of anger and honor. Jesus may have stood in anger against those who stoned Stephen, certainly their wicked action would have displeased our Savior (Acts 7:57-60). Jesus may have stood out of respect for His faithful martyr who had preached His Gospel without fear (Acts 7:1-53).

The second possible reason Jesus stood at Stephen's death was because He was standing as a witness on Stephen's behalf. The proper posture for a witness was standing; an example of this can be found at Jesus trial when his accusers stood up to give their false testimony (Mk. 14:56-59). Therefore, Jesus was standing as an advocate to the Father on behalf of Stephen. Stephen was confessing Jesus before men and Jesus was in turn confessing Stephen before God. Those that hold to this view find a real-life example of Christ acting on His promise (Matt. 10:32-33). Without a doubt, Jesus is the Christian's advocate to the Father if we confess our sins (1 John. 1:9-2:2). The imagery of Jesus standing to defend Stephen should warm the Christian's heart and give he/she hope that Christ will do the same for us if we stand up for Him in this life.

We cannot know with certainty why Jesus stood in Stephen's vision. The reasons given were possibilities, not certainties. This article was written to draw attention to how important it is to notice the small details. It is beneficial to read your Bible, but it is even more beneficial to study it deeply. May the Lord bless you in your deep study of His Word.

-Brandon Foresha

## News & Notes



#### **Sermons This Week**

10:45AM: Reading Revelation 6:00PM: The Faithful Saying of a Changed Life

Scripture Reading: Titus 2:11-3:8

#### **Member Address Changes To Note**

Our new member Howard Gardner's contact info is 2242 Barton Ct. Ashland, KY. 41101 and his phone number is (606) 585-5411. Also, Brianne Griffin and Aiden Dorsey have moved. Their address is 1012 Stella Dr. Apt 11-G, Ashland KY, 41102. Her phone number remains the same.

#### **His & Hers Wedding Shower**

Saturday, Nov. 2nd at 2pm, we will have a wedding shower for Morgan Vonderheide & Jacob Martin in the annex. RSVP on the foyer board. Registry is Belk, Walmart & Target.

#### Plan Ahead- Bring A Friend Day

There are business card size invitations for you to give friends to invite them to our Nov. 3rd event & potluck lunch.

#### Tech Day & Laser Tag Nov. 23rd

The youth group is going to Morning Pointe at 1pm to assist residents with their technology questions/needs. Following that, the group will be traveling to play Laser Tag. Location & cost TBD.

#### **December Ladies Party Change**

Please note, the date of the Ladies Holiday party has been moved up to Dec. 7th. Thank you.

#### Members Pictures

Wendy Berry is taking member photos after each service. *Everyone* is asked to have a new photo.

Gauging Our Faith			
	10/20/19	Goal	10/21/18
Bible Study	66	110	84
AM Worship	131	160	132
PM Worship	nc	110	74
Mid Week	91	110	95
Contribution:	\$7757.25	\$6200.00	\$6979.50

#### Dates to Remember

Oct 29- Prime-timers- 10a- annex

Nov 2- Vonderheide/Martin his & hers wedding shower- annex- 2p- RSVP requested

Nov 2- (Scotts Depot, WV) church of Christ Men's Day w/ Brandon Foresha & others-9

Nov 3 – Daylight Savings Time ends – set clocks back 1 hour Saturday night (11/2/19)

Nov 3 – Bring A Friend Day (invitation cards are available on the foyer round table now)

Nov 3 – Potluck luncheon – 12p – annex

Nov 5- Prime-timers- 10a- annex

Nov 10- Second Sunday Morning Pointe Bible Study & Singing- 2p

Nov 12- Prime-timers- 10a- annex

Nov 17- Elders, Deacons, Preachers Meet-4:30p

Nov 19 - Prime-timers - 10a - annex

Nov 23- Tech Day & Laser Tag- Youth group-1p

Nov 26- Prime-timers-10a- annex

Dec 3- Prime-timers- 10a- annex

Dec 7- Scott's Pancake breakfast-8a-annex

Dec 7 Ladies Holiday Party Kathy Hall's -6p

<u>Dec 21</u>- Morgan Vonderheide & Jacob Martin Wedding- 2pm



## **™Today's Servants** €

#### WELCOME:

**AM/PM:** Mark Parks

#### **SONG LEADER:**

AM: Steve Wallace PM: Nathan Adkins

#### FIRST PRAYER:

AM: J.C. Hughes PM: Jerry Sturgill

#### LORD'S TABLE\*:

Presiding AM: Ranie Wohnhas
Assisting: Nathan Adkins,
Chris Legg, Ben Poling,
Mark Gullett, David Castle,
Ernie Perry, Tanner Adkins
\*gluten-free bread

Presiding PM: Nathan ParksAssisting: Jordan ConleyAssisting Back: Mark GullettAssisting Back: Dan Stone

#### **CLOSING PRAYER:**

AM: Jeremiah Smith PM: Greg Hall

### **Wednesday Servants** G

WELCOME: Chris Scott
SONG LEADER: Mark Day
PRAYER: Chris Scott

**DEVOTIONAL:** Steve Wallace

#### w Weekly Servants &

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

## \*\*\* Youth Notes \*\*\*

## ★★ Every Sunday ★★ Pew Packers

5:45 pm in the front of the auditorium geared to age 12 & under -Boys: have a song to lead

# ★★ Nov 3rd ★★Bring A Friend Day& Potluck Luncheon

Bring your friends and have a great lunch! Get a new 2020 Daily Bible Reading Calendar, too!



### Welcome, Visitor!

We are so pleased to have you as our guest today.

If you are a first-time visitor with us, please, fill out a 'visitor card' that you find on the back of the pew. Please, put it in the collection plate or hand it to one of the men at the doors as you exit.

We have tract racks on the wall in the foyer with **free tracts and literature**. We offer **free Bible correspondence courses** you can receive by mail at no cost to you. Let our preacher know if you would like to set up an **in-home Bible study**. Thank you for attending.