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SERVICES

Sunday Bible Study 9:45am
Morning Worship 10:45 am
Evening Worship 6:00 pm
Wed. Bible Study 7:00 pm

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MISSIONS

-Dustin Bolks
Sioux Center, Ia.
-Dahn Ramkelawan
Suriname, So. America
-Michael Mayo
Thailand, SE Asia
-*"In Search of the Lord's Way"* TV broadcast
-Rod Goddard
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SEARCH TV

Sundays 7:30 am (on Fox)

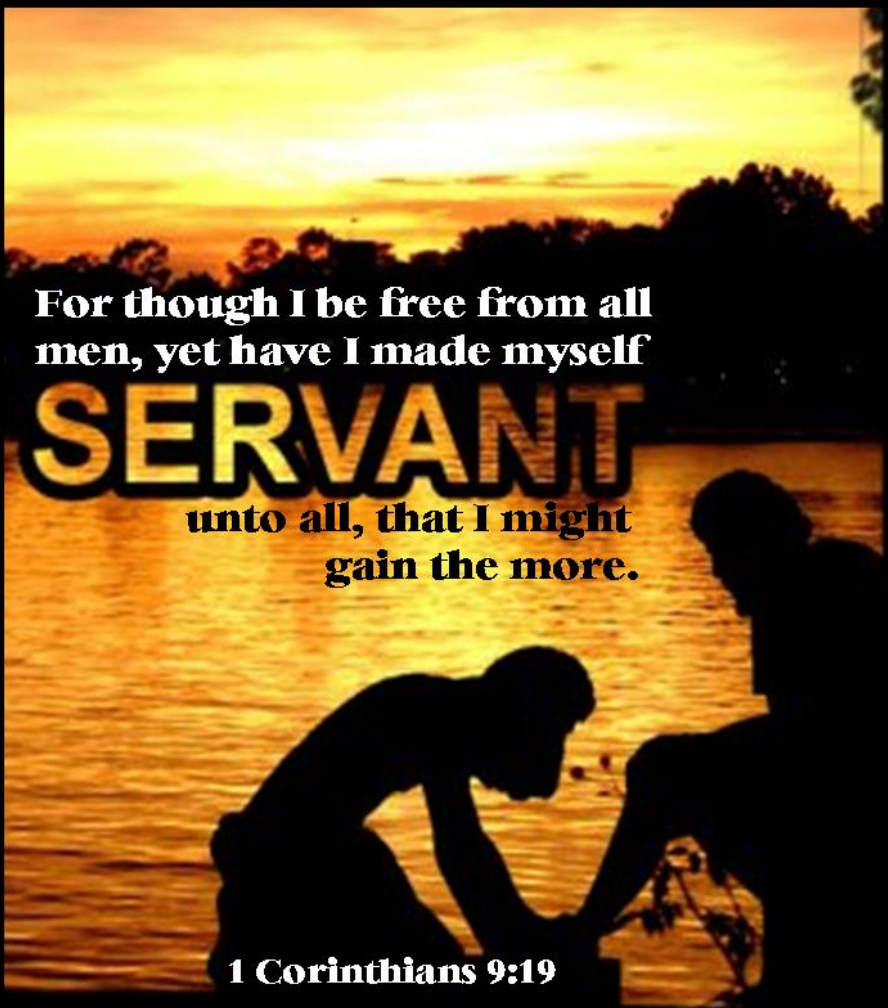
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We offer FREE: 4 Bible correspondence course series by mail:
an 8 lesson series by Hurt, a 6 lesson series "Acts Of The Apostles"
by Pharr, the "Studies In The Bible" 30 lesson series, and the
20 lesson series "Getting To Know Jesus" by Pharr. Let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

The Servant/Son in Whom the Father Delights

Mark's account of the Gospel gets to the point; it wastes no time telling us what it is about with these words: "The beginning of the gospel of Jesus Christ, the Son of God" (Mark 1:1). Jesus is identified as the Son of God; however, rather than relating the birth of Jesus as Matthew and Luke do, Mark begins by considering the baptism of Jesus to exhibit His Sonship. There the Father announced Jesus as His Son in whom He was well pleased (Mark 1:11). John, the baptizer, indeed pointed the way to one far greater than he (Mark 1:7). John was a messenger, a voice of one crying in the wilderness to prepare the way for the Lord Himself (Mark 1:2-3; cf. Isaiah 40:3). Thus, Jesus being the Son of God is more than His being conceived by the Holy Spirit and born of a virgin, it signifies His unique relationship with the Father as part of the Godhead.

The Spirit descended on Jesus as a dove and the Father said Jesus is His Son in whom He is well pleased (Mark 1:10-11), a reminder of His words from Isaiah 42:1-4:

"Behold! My Servant whom I uphold,
My Elect One *in whom* My soul delights!
I have put My Spirit upon Him;
He will bring forth justice to the Gentiles.
He will not cry out, nor raise *His voice*,
Nor cause His voice to be heard in the street.
A bruised reed He will not break,
And smoking flax He will not quench;
He will bring forth justice for truth.
He will not fail nor be discouraged,
Till He has established justice in the earth;
And the coastlands shall wait for His law."

Jesus was the one elected to serve in the capacity of bringing justice to all the nations. This section of Isaiah continues to talk about God's servant and culminates in the song of the suffering servant (Isaiah 52:13-53:12). Jesus was not baptized by John because He was a sinner, rather He came to identify with sinners as a great high priest who can understand the plight of the ones He serves and would take their place in death (Heb. 2:9; 4:15). Jesus lived the life we should have lived, sinless before God. He died the death that we deserved so that we can stand justified before God. We can be thankful Jesus came into the world, but let us remember it was to die for our sins that He came. Hebrews 10:5-7 says, "Therefore, when He came into the world, He said: '*Sacrifice and offering You did not desire, But a body You have prepared for Me. In burnt offerings and sacrifices for sin You had no pleasure. Then I said, 'Behold, I have come—In the volume of the book it is written of Me—To do Your will, O God.*'"

Jesus is the Son of God. He chose to serve by suffering for us to provide salvation. God Himself came into the world to die for you, and "though He was a Son, yet He learned obedience by the things which He suffered. And having been perfected, He became the author of eternal salvation to all who obey Him" (Hebrews 5:8-9). Will you obey Him? -Mark Day

News & Notes



Sermons This Week

10:45AM: The Family Feast
 6:00PM: The Bible and Culture
 Scripture Reading: 1 Corinthians 9:19-23

Lads To Leaders

Anyone interested in participating, attending, or learning more about Lads to Leaders, please see Mark Day or Brad Morris. All participant registration forms for the upcoming convention in April 2020 are due no later than Sunday, December 29, 2019.

New Year's Eve Watch

Bring in the new year 2020 in good Christian fellowship. Meet here at 9pm and bring snacks and games to share. There is singing and a devotional and time to visit with your friends and family. The event concludes shortly after midnight. Please, join us.

Potluck Luncheon Plus Awards

On Sunday, January 5, we will have a potluck luncheon in the annex at 12noon. Bring your covered dishes, desserts and drinks to share. After the luncheon, Mark Day will give awards to all who completed his New Testament Reading in 31 Days Challenge in October. Those who completed that challenge, please, attend the luncheon to get your due recognition and award. Thank you.

Prime-timers Group

This group is taking a break and will resume January 7th. This is an open-discussion Bible study group that usually meets Tuesday mornings at 10am in the annex large classroom. Mark Day leads the discussion.

Gauging Our Faith

	<u>12/15/19</u>	<u>Goal</u>	<u>12/16/18</u>
Bible Study	86	110	108
AM Worship	167	160	163
PM Worship	78	110	nc
Mid Week	90	110	95
Contribution:	\$5822.75	\$6200.00	\$6662.25

Bible Based Questions Wanted

December 29th evening service we will have the Preachers Answering Your Bible Questions. Please submit your questions for the preachers.

Members Pictures

Wendy Berry is taking member photos after each service she can attend. Everyone is asked to have an up to date photo for the board and directory.

Dates to Remember

- Dec 22– 10th & Vine invitation to Spare Time– 8p-11p– free admission (need to buy food)
- Dec 29– Lads 2 Leaders registration deadline
- Dec 29– 5th Sunday Preachers Answer Your Bible Questions pm service
- Dec 31– New Year's Eve Watch– 9p
- Jan 5– Potluck luncheon & Award Ceremony
- Jan 7– Prime-timers– 10a– annex
- Jan 12– Morning Pointe Bible study– 2p
- Jan 14– Prime-timers– 10a– annex
- Jan 19– Elders/Deacons/Preachers meet– 4:30p
- Jan 21– Prime-timers– 10a– annex

Have you contacted
a shut-in lately?

Why Not
Today?



☞ Today's Servants ☜

WELCOME:

AM/PM: Jerry Sturgill

SONG LEADER:

AM: Brad Morris

PM: Ranie Wohnhas

FIRST PRAYER:

AM: Jordan Conley

PM: Chris Scott

LORD'S TABLE*:

Presiding AM: Mark Parks

Assisting: Daniel Goshorn,
Steve Wallace, Nathan Adkins,
Tanner Adkins, Jason Fouts,
Mitch Stafford, Jack Little
*gluten-free bread

Presiding PM: David Smith

Assisting: Chris Legg

Assisting Back: Luke Wallace

Assisting Back: Mark Gullett

CLOSING PRAYER:

AM: J.C. Hughes

PM: George Wallace

☞ Wednesday Servants ☜

WELCOME: Greg Conley

SONG LEADER: Steve Wallace

PRAYER: Mark Parks

DEVOTIONAL: Brandon Foresha

☞ Weekly Servants ☜

POWER POINT: Nathan Parks

BLDG. ATTENDANT: Steve Wallace

ATTENDANCE: David Castle

COORDINATOR: Nathan Adkins

★★★ 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

★★ Tonight ★★

10th & Vine's Spare Time
Invitation- free admission
8pm-11pm (need \$\$ for refreshments)

★★ Dec. 31st ★★

New Year's Eve Watch

9pm-12am

Join in the fellowship with singing & a
devotional- bring snacks and soft drinks
to share and games for the children



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.