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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

**WEB PAGE**

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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  
**WVSOP student**

**SEARCH TV**

Sundays 7:30 am (on Fox)

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# HERALD

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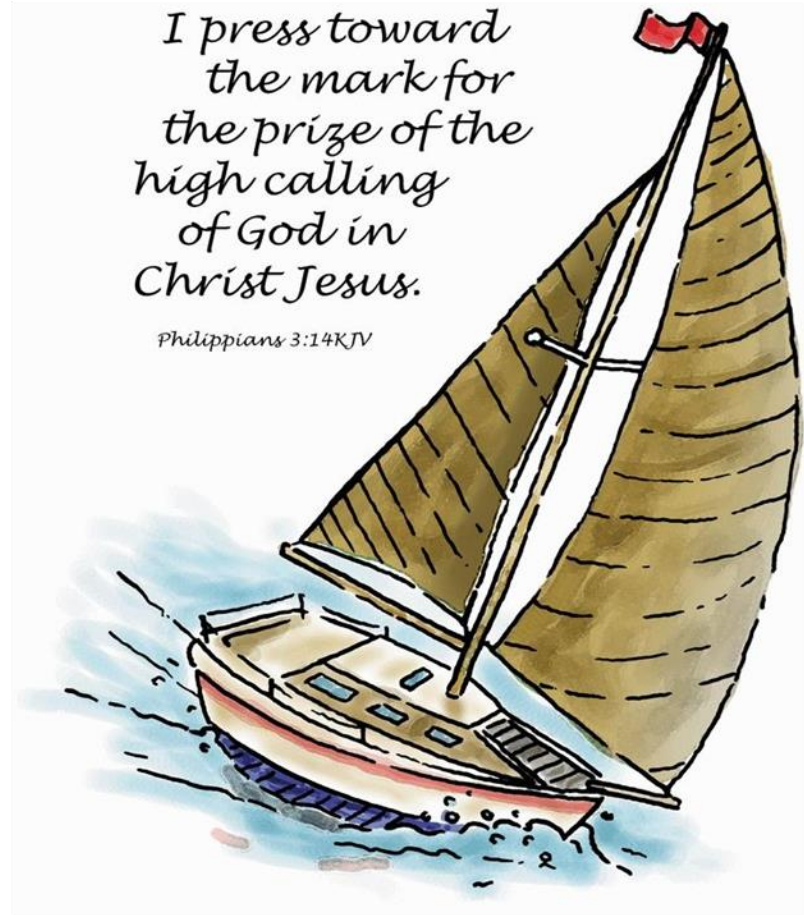
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*I press toward  
the mark for  
the prize of the  
high calling  
of God in  
Christ Jesus.*

*Philippians 3:14KJV*



**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!

## Scientific Foreknowledge Found in the Scriptures

Christians hold firm that the Bible is God's inspired word. The Scriptures themselves claim they came from God when Paul wrote, "All Scripture is given by inspiration of God, and is profitable for doctrine, for reproof, for correction, for instruction in righteousness (2 Tim. 3:16). If the Bible is the words of God, is there evidence found inside its pages that can verify it's not man made? Where would one begin to look if they wanted to prove God's word really is from above? In this article we will examine a few simple Biblical truths that point to God being the source of the Bible. Scientific foreknowledge will be our focus, but there are several other areas of study one could use to prove the Bible is God's word.

God made the profound statement to Moses, "For the life of the flesh is in the blood" (Lev. 17:11). The meaning of this phrase is that life is maintained by the continual flow of blood within the body. If someone stopped the flow of blood or removed blood from the body, the person or creature would cease living. This is common sense, right? Maybe for our modern times, but previous generations did not comprehend this fact. For centuries, healthcare providers performed the practice of blood-letting for sick patients. Those who have studied the Bubonic Plague, which ravaged Europe during 12<sup>th</sup> Century, know that a common procedure performed was using leeches to remove blood from an infected person. These practices were performed until the 19<sup>th</sup> Century and led to many deaths. The importance of blood and the circulatory system was not properly understood in science until William Harvey wrote about both in his work published in 1628. How could it be that the ancient Israelites understood life came from blood, but modern science did not come to this conclusion until thousands of years later? The answer is God knew the scientific facts well before science ever did.

David wrote while praising God and His creation, "The birds of the air, and the fish of the sea that pass through the paths of the seas" (Ps. 8:8). Notice the phrase at the end of this verse, the paths of the seas. God, speaking through David, claimed that there are paths that He created when forming the oceans. There is no possible way man could know a detail such as this without God providing it. It was not until the 19<sup>th</sup> Century that Matthew Fontaine Maury, while lying in his bed sick, had his daughter read the Bible to him. One of the passages she read was Psalm 8 and upon hearing about the paths of the seas, Maury set out to prove God correct. After years of research, Maury wrote the first textbook on oceanography in 1855. The paths of the seas that Maury found are still heavily used in modern times for naval travel and overseas trade. The fact the Bible described the paths of the seas thousands of years before mankind knew of its existence, clearly shows that the Scriptures come from a source higher than man.

The Bible is not a science textbook, but when the Scriptures do speak on a scientific subject it is always correct. Can any book in existence make a similar claim? No, they are unable to because they were written by human hands. The Bible is unlike any book the world has to offer. There are forty different writers that make up the books of the Bible, but all of them wrote what God dictated them to record (1 Pet. 1:16-21). We truly have the words of God at our fingertips when we study the Bible and He has provided ample evidence within its pages. If we will only study the books extensively, God's words will prove themselves true.

-Brandon Foresha

# News & Notes



## Sermons Today

**10:45AM:** Your Soul Pierced with a Sword

**6:00PM:** The Boasts of Christians' Pasts

## Evening Service Scripture Reading:

### Philippians 3:8-14 NKJV

(8) Yet indeed I also count all things loss for the excellence of the knowledge of Christ Jesus my Lord, for whom I have suffered the loss of all things, and count them as rubbish, that I may gain Christ

(9) and be found in Him, not having my own righteousness, which is from the law, but that which is through faith in Christ, the righteousness which is from God by faith;

(10) that I may know Him and the power of His resurrection, and the fellowship of His sufferings, being conformed to His death,

(11) if, by any means, I may attain to the resurrection from the dead.

(12) Not that I have already attained, or am already perfected; but I press on, that I may lay hold of that for which Christ Jesus has also laid hold of me.

(13) Brethren, I do not count myself to have apprehended; but one thing I do, forgetting those things which are behind and reaching forward to those things which are ahead,

(14) I press toward the goal for the prize of the upward call of God in Christ Jesus.

## Notes From The Elders

The Eldership wants to reemphasize our mask wearing and our precautions of social distancing. Greenup County is now listed as being in the red zone on the KY COVID-19 incident rate map. These precautions may help protect all of us, especially our older and more susceptible members.

## Date to Remember:

**Dec. 20**— E/D/P meeting postponed

**Dec. 30**— Singing Night

## 7 Precautions While Here

1. Please, in the parking lot, make every attempt to maintain a safe social distance as you quickly enter or exit the main entry.

2. Wear a facial covering, or mask, that covers both your mouth and nose at all practical times. If you do not have a mask, one will be made available to you as you enter the main foyer.

3. On Sunday, please pick up communion supplies in the foyer before service for you and your family. A collection box is located in the main foyer for your contributions.

4. Please move through the foyer quickly to avoid crowding in the foyer. Please, remember to social distance (six feet) and no handshaking or hugging ... for now. And the drinking fountain is off limits for now.

5. The auditorium has every other row of pews closed off to allow appropriate spacing of households. Remember to maintain six feet spacing in the pew between households.

6. Restroom access will be allowed for only one person at a time; parent and child exceptions are allowed. Upon exiting the restroom, you are asked to please disinfect the areas of the restroom you have utilized. Sanitizing sprays are available in the restrooms. Any child under age 12 should be accompanied by an adult to ensure proper disinfecting.

7. Hand sanitizers are available in the foyer, as well as tissues and proper waste disposal containers.

## Gauging Our Faith

	<u>12/13/20</u>	<u>Goal</u>	<u>12/15/19</u>
<b>Bible Study</b>	34	110	86
<b>AM Worship</b>	60	160	167
<b>PM Worship</b>	53	110	78
<b>Mid Week</b>	40	110	90
<b>Contribution:</b>	\$7543.00	\$6000.00	\$5822.75

## ☞ Today's Servants ☞

### WELCOME:

**AM/PM:** Chris Scott

### SONG LEADER:

**AM:** Steve Wallace

**PM:** Ranie Wohnhas

### FIRST PRAYER:

**AM:** J.C. Hughes

**PM:** Jerry Sturgill

### LORD'S TABLE\*:

**Presiding AM:** Mark Parks

**Presiding PM:** Greg Conley

\*gluten-free bread

### CLOSING PRAYER:

**AM:** David Smith

**PM:** Mason Morris

## ☞ Wednesday Servants ☞

**WELCOME:** Greg Conley

**SONG LEADER:** Mark Day

**PRAYER:** Mark Parks

**DEVOTION:** Brandon Foresha

## ☞ Weekly Servants ☞

**POWER POINT:** Braydon Snell

**BLDG. ATTENDANT:** Greg Conley

**COORDINATOR:** David Smith

**ATTENDANCE:** John Gambill

## ★★★ Youth Notes ★★★

### ★ Lads to Leaders ★

2021 Convention information is on the foyer board.

**Speak with  
Mark Day or  
Brad Morris.**



**Have you  
contacted  
a shut-in  
lately?**

**Why not  
today?**