

Services

Morning Worship 9:30am
Sunday Bible Class 10:45 am
Evening Worship 6:00 pm
Wed. Bible Study 7:00 pm

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Sunday AM: "The Parable of the Talents: Lesson on Faithfulness to God"...Matthew 25:14-30

Sunday PM: "Temporary Things"...Colossians 2:13-14



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 will find on the back of the pew. You may put it in the collection plate or give it to one of the men at the auditorium doors as you exit. There are free tracts and literature on the wall in the foyer. We also have Bible correspondence courses you can sign up to receive by mail at no cost to you. Let us know if you would like to set up an in-home Bible study.

Thank you for attending. We hope to see you often!

Not Found in the Bible, The Sinner's Prayer

One of the most common teachings in the religious world today is that a person can be saved by praying what is often called "the sinner's prayer." Many have been told to simply ask Jesus into their heart and accept Him as their personal Savior through prayer. While this teaching is popular, the question remains: Where is it found in the Bible?

The answer is simple: it is not found anywhere in the New Testament.

There is not a single example of an alien sinner being told to pray a prayer for salvation. There is not one conversion account in the book of Acts where a person received forgiveness of sins by reciting a prayer. If the sinner's prayer is God's plan of salvation, why is it absent from every recorded conversion in Scripture?

On the Day of Pentecost, those convicted of their sins cried out, "Men and brethren, what shall we do?" (Acts 2:37). Peter did not tell them to pray for salvation. Instead, he commanded, "Repent, and let every one of you be baptized in the name of Jesus Christ for the remission of sins" (Acts 2:38). About three thousand obeyed that command and were added by the Lord to His church (Acts 2:41, 47).

Consider also Saul of Tarsus. After encountering the risen Christ, Saul spent three days fasting and praying (Acts 9:9-11). Yet despite his faith and prayers, he was still in his sins. Ananias came to him and said, "And now why are you waiting? Arise and be baptized, and wash away your sins, calling on the name of the Lord" (Acts 22:16). Saul was not told to pray through for salvation. He was told to be baptized so that his sins could be washed away.

The New Testament consistently teaches that salvation comes through obedient faith. Jesus declared, "He who believes and is baptized will be saved" (Mark 16:16). Peter taught baptism for the remission of sins (Acts 2:38). Paul taught that we are baptized into Christ and into His death (Romans 6:3-4). Peter plainly stated, "There is also an antitype which now saves us—baptism" (1 Peter 3:21).

Many sincere people have been taught the sinner's prayer, but sincerity does not determine truth. The Bereans were commended because they searched the Scriptures daily to verify what they were taught (Acts 17:11). Every religious teaching must be tested by the Word of God.

The real issue is not what religious tradition says, but what the Bible says. When we open the New Testament, we find faith, repentance, confession, and baptism. We do not find preachers leading sinners in a prayer to receive salvation. The gospel preached by Christ and His apostles called men and women to obey the Lord's commands, not simply repeat certain words.

Sunday Servants

Welcome: Chris Scott

Morning

Song Leader: Nathan Adkins

First Prayer: Greg Conley

Closing Prayer: Richard Miranda

Lord's Table*

Presiding: Jeremiah Smith

Assisting: Mark Gullett, Jason Fouts,
Terry Fouts, Terry Fouts, Nolan
Clarkson, Evan Gullett, Jacob Martin,
JD Maynard

Evening

Song Leader: Jim Haynes

First Prayer: Greg Hall

Lord's Table*

Presiding: Jerry Sturgill

Assisting: George Wallace

Closing Prayer: Alex Wells

Scripture Reading: Matt Vonderheide

Wednesday Servants

Welcome: Chris Scott

Song Leader: Jeremiah Smith

First Prayer: George Wallace

Summer Series: Mark Day

Closing Prayer: Mark Gullett

Weekly Servants

Live Stream: Nathan Parks

Power Point: Gabe Scott

Bldg. Att.: Todd Parsley

Coordinator: Matt Vonderheide

Attendance: John Gambill

***Gluten-Free Bread**

DATES TO REMEMBER

June 7 – Team Two Sign Cards

June 7 – Honor Graduates

June 13 – Wedding Shower for Jackson Morris
and Abby

TEAM TWO

**Meet tonight (Sunday, June 7) in the
annex to sign cards for our
Evangelism program.**

**You may sign cards before or after
evening service**

