

“One Question” Sundays

For several months now, we have been inviting our friends and neighbors to ask questions about God, the Bible, the church, or other topics related to spiritual things. We have received many responses and some excellent questions. The time has finally come to begin responding to those who have reached out to us with questions. On November 6th, Doug Burleson will be our guest speaker as we address questions related to the Nature and Character of God, Misconceptions About God, and The Will and Works of God. On November 13th, Alan Highers will be with us to address questions about What God Expects of Us, Human Suffering, and Life After Death. Each of these Sundays will involve a combined adult class, a potluck lunch, and an early afternoon service. This will be done for the benefit of our speakers and to give us more opportunity for interaction with visitors. These meetings are the culmination of a great deal of work and planning in an effort to reach out to our community with the Word of God. Please support this effort by being here for each service and by inviting others to be with you. May God be glorified by our work and may He give increase to the seeds that we have sown.



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If you could ask GOD one question, what would it be?

**You Have
Provided the
Questions...**



**GOD
Provides the
Answers**

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To Our Guests

We are so pleased and honored that you have chosen to visit with us today! Chase Park is a wonderful Christian family, devoted to serving God through our lives and work. We are excited to share our love for Christ with others and we are thankful to have the opportunity to meet you and to have you join us for worship.

As we worship together today, our desire is to worship God according to the New Testament pattern and in a way that is pleasing and acceptable to Him. It is also our prayer that our time together is uplifting to those who are here including you, our guest. If you have any questions about anything that you see or hear today, please ask us. We would love to speak with you about those things and help you in any way that we can.

Lamifications—*Andrew Lamica*

It is already the beginning of a new week. A new week brings a new opportunity to be thankful! As we lead up to the Thanksgiving holiday, there will be a new article on thankfulness in *Lamifications* for you to consider.

This week we are considering the idea of being thankful for Jesus Christ. Jesus Christ, the Son of God, came to this earth, lived as a man, and died for the sins of all mankind. It was Jesus who was with God in the beginning, had a hand in creation and though He was equal with God was willing to lower Himself and come to earth to live as a man. While Jesus lived on earth as a man, He faced all of the temptations, troubles, and turmoil that we do, yet He did it perfectly. He never sinned, not once. Though He lived on this earth perfectly, He

was put to death on a cross, a brutal death, to pay for the sins of all humanity. What an amazing amount of love Jesus has for each one of us! I cannot imagine voluntarily being put to death for crimes (in this case sins) I did not commit!

Jesus went to the cross because humanity had a sin problem that had to be dealt with. Jesus loved each and every person so deeply that He was willing to allow Himself to be the perfect sacrifice for our sins. Consider what Romans 5:8 says, “but God shows His love for us in that while we were still sinners, Christ died for us.” Whoever you might consider the most vile, terrible, awful sinner to ever exist, Jesus still died for them. What a beautiful thought it is that Jesus, no matter what they might have done, desires every single person to be

washed in His blood that they might enter into Heaven when this life is over. God does not desire to see even one soul be lost (2 Peter 3:9).

I am thankful that Jesus left me a perfect example to follow. There are so many wonderful people that I look up to in my life. I am sure there are those in your life you hold in high regard as well. I am thankful to have good examples. There is no better example than the perfect one Jesus set for us. Though He came in the form of man and inherited all the struggles that come with it, Jesus showed us how to do it perfectly. He never sinned, not one time! What a awe inspiring example.

Today, and every day of my life I am thankful for Jesus Christ.

Learning True Obedience—*Nathan Adams*

The idea of obedience to God is paramount throughout the scriptures. We see it first established in Genesis 1:28 when God tells Adam to be fruitful and multiply. Chapter 2 further tells us that God expected Adam to cultivate and keep the garden (v.15) and commanded that he not eat of the fruit from the tree of the knowledge of good and evil. The consequences of failing to obey are told to Adam in that text and experienced by Adam in Genesis 3 when both he and Eve ate of that forbidden tree.

As we look at that account, we see clearly that sometimes obedience is easy and sometimes it is difficult. The commands to “be fruitful and multiply” and to “cultivate” the garden were probably not that difficult for Adam and Eve. However, the lure of the forbidden and the desire to be as God created an apparently greater temptation to not obey God’s words.

Hebrews 5:8 tells us that Jesus “learned obedience from the things which He suffered.” What does that mean? How did Jesus learn obedience? Why was suffering necessary to that learning? It is clear from verse 7 that this suffering was in reference to the events that began in Gethsemane and ended on the cross. The writer specifically mentions that Jesus “offered up both prayers and supplications with loud crying and tears to the One able to save Him from death...” Certainly this is in reference to those prayers in Gethsemane to have the cup of death removed. At the conclusion of that earnest and

intensely emotional pleading by our Lord, He stated, “yet not My will, but Yours be done” (Luke 22:42). This statement is the very heart and foundation of all obedience. Until I put what God wants before what I want, I will never be truly obedient. Jesus made that statement and then did just as the Father wanted and died upon the cross for you and me. In so doing, He learned the full price of total obedience. He obeyed God even in the most difficult of circumstances and in doing that which He earnestly did not want to do. Because Jesus chose the hard obedience, God exalted Him above all others (Philippians 2:9).

Have you learned obedience? I am not talking about obeying God in those things that you have no desire to do in your life. Instead, are you obedient to God when it conflicts with your earnest desires for your life and activities. Is there something in your life that you know you must do to obey God, but to do it will be incredibly difficult for you and maybe others in your life? No matter how complex the situation, it is a simple decision between “my will” or “His will” be done. Will we suffer when we choose “His will?” At times that answer is clearly “Yes”. Jesus suffered for the choice and like Him the Father will be “well pleased with us” when we make that same choice. In that suffering, we will learn the full experience of true obedience in doing the hard things for God.

News Of Interest

Sick

HealthSouth Rehab

Louise Merryman

Home

Dick Smith, Donell Parker, Max Horst, Libby Lewter, and **Nancy Harton** (Janet Jenkins' mother).

Balance Class

Tues., Nov. 1; Thurs, Nov. 3; 1:30 p.m.

Time Change

Daylight Saving Time ends Sunday, November 6. Be sure and set your clock time back one hour before retiring on Saturday.

Library Information

Mabel Albright and her Family donated the following books to the library in memory of **Clarence Albright**:

1. *A Faith Built on Sand; The Foolishness of Popular Religion in a Postmodern Age*, written by Phil Sanders.
2. *Creating Biblical Leaders by God's Design*, written by Dr. Ken Wilson.
3. *The Seed Principle; Sowing the Life of Your Dreams*, written by Aubrey Johnson.

The third volume of *Five Minutes With God*, written by **Rusty Hills** is now available in our library. This volume steps the reader through the Old Testament in 365 daily readings. By walking with and reflecting on the Old testament saints, we learn how to walk in faith and obedience before the God of Israel.

Today and Upcoming at Chase Park

Regency Retirement Service

Today: 1:30 p.m.

Speaker: **Rusty Hills and Young Men**

Song Leader: **Young Men**

Super Seniors

Wednesday, November 2. Cooks will prepare lunch.

Little Lights

Thursday, November 3, 10:00 a.m.—12 noon. Will be making signs for welcoming the Wounded Warriors.

Tuesday Ladies Bible Class

Tuesday, November 8, 10:00 a.m.

Pantry Items

John Johnston (Benevolent Committee) will be preparing 25 Thanksgiving boxes. The pantry needs the following items for these boxes: Instant mash potatoes, family size box; canned cranberry sauce; and boxed stuffing/dressing mix.

5th Sunday Night Singing

Today 5:00 p.m.

Teacher Appreciation Reception

The congregation is invited to a Reception honoring our teachers tonight, in the fellowship hall, after p.m. service.

Thank You

“Dear Brethren at the Chase Park Church of Christ: Greetings in the name of the Lord from Cherkassy, Ukraine! We have received the funds that you sent as the baby shower gift for Timothy and would like to express our deep gratitude for your kindness and desire to help. We ask God’s blessings upon you, your families, and your congregation often. Thank you for being our blessing from God. May the Lord bless you in His service as abundantly through others as He has blessed others through you. In Christian love,”

Slava, Sveta and Timothy Savkovsky

“Dear friends, Thank you for your prayers, cards and presence at the funeral following the loss of Dennis. They provided comfort and strength to me during a difficult time. May God bless you.”

Dot Crowson

Men’s Leadership Seminar

November 18—19

Friday evening 7:00—9:00 p.m.

Saturday morning, 9:00 a.m.—noon

Chase Park Men’s Leadership Seminar
with **Aubrey Johnson**.

This Seminar is for those currently serving as deacons, those in supporting leadership roles, and those aspiring to serve s a deacon in the future. This will be an excellent opportunity for the men of the congregation to learn and grow as leaders in the Lord’s church.

Sign-up sheet at Hospitality Desk.



Weekly Bible Reading

Reading for October 30 – November 5: James 1-5

The book of James is one of the most practical books in the New Testament, dealing with so many issues that are relevant as a part of the everyday Christian life. Dealing with trials and temptation, putting our faith into action, controlling our words, and choosing humility over pride are just a few of the much needed topics that James discusses. What an invaluable asset this inspired book of practical wisdom is to those who want to be faithful servants of Christ. As you read and study this week, consider:

- *Why do you think the topics that James deals with are so relevant and important to our lives today?*
- *For you personally, what is the most helpful or needed topic that is dealt with in this book?*

VERSES TO REMEMBER:

James 4:7-8

“Therefore submit to God. Resist the devil and he will flee from you. Draw near to God and He will draw near to you. Cleanse your hands, you sinners; and purify your hearts, you double-minded.”

Statistics

Sunday, October 23, 2016

AM Worship	375
Month Average	351
Bible Class	330
PM Worship	237
Wed., Oct. 26 Bible Classes	257
Regency Ret. Worship	23
Offering	\$16,527.20
Budget	\$18,300
Average '16	\$17,956
Under Budget for year	-\$14,802
Building Fund	\$120.00

Services

Sunday

Worship	9:00 a.m.
Bible Class	10:15 a.m.
Worship	5:00 p.m.

Wednesday

Super Seniors	10:00 a.m.
Bible Class	6:30 p.m.

Web Site Home Bible Studies

<http://bible.us/e/Hdj>

(Lesson 1 Link)

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