



THE TRUMPET

WWW.THETRUMPETONLINE.COM

Voice of the LORD
Ministries

Vol. 14 No. 09

September 2010

The Narrow Way

Sister Nancy Willis

Enter ye in at the strait gate; for wide is the gate, and broad is the way, that leadeth to destruction, and many there be which go in thereat; Because strait is the gate, and narrow is the way, which leadeth unto life, and few there be that find it.

Matthew 7:13-14



The Worm in the Apple

How does a worm get inside an apple? Perhaps you think the worm burrows in from the outside. No, scientists have discovered that the worm comes from the inside. But, how does he get in there? Simple. An insect lays an egg in the apple blossom. Sometime later the worm hatches in the heart of the apple, then eats his way out. Sin, like the worm, begins in the heart and works out through the person's thoughts, word and actions. For this reason, David once wrote...

Create in me a clean heart, O God; and renew a right spirit within me. Psalms 51:10

Thy word have I hid in mine heart, that I might not sin against thee. Psalms 119:11

Submitted by Tyler Willis

Have you ever noticed that all things that are bad for you come easy. Mom always told me everything that glitters is not gold. And if it sounds too good to be true, then it is. Well I'm glad that I can take what the bible says and hold it to be true. That I don't have to second guess it. In a world where there is destruction all around us and evil lurks on every corner, many people falling for false prophets. Saying they have the way to go there. I can go to the word of God and get the direction that I need to go and lead my family. I see people today getting hung up on the things the bible is saying. But in fact the bible tells us there are some mysteries that will never be known. The bible does tell us that strait is the gate and narrow is the way, which leadeth unto life. And because strait is the gate few there be that find it. In a world that is always changing he is the same today, yesterday, and tomorrow. He tells us to prove his word to test it to be true. To me he is like a rock that I can hold on to when the storms of life start to rage. I know he is there because he told me he would never leave me nor forsake me. He knows when I have a need before I ask of it. He tells me he gave everything for me, but he is everything to me. Life is not fair I wished it was. The devil is out to seek and destroy, but with faith we can hold on to the best thing that I have ever found...GOD. Study his word and get to know him. If your world is going round and round and you don't know which way is up and life seems to be unkind...go to the father because he is waiting. His word tells me that he is not the author of confusion. That's the devil's job. But God can take the wrong and work it for our good. My God is a big God. So with a world that is dying lost just look for the narrow way. AND LET GOD BLESS YOU TODAY.

P.O. Box 182 - Sacramento, KY 42372 -
(270) 736-2822 www.billwillisministries.com

Voice of the LORD
Tabernacle


HOMECOMING

Saturday September 11th @ 1 PM

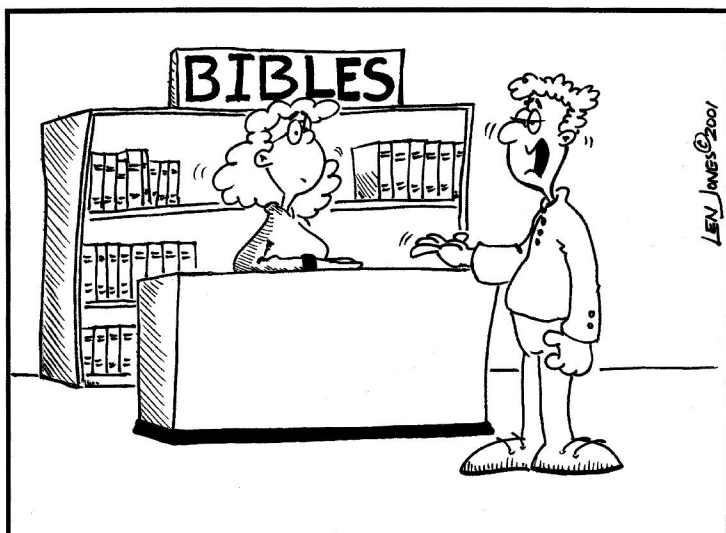
Tank Park in Livermore, KY

Music...Preaching and Food!

Special guests...The Burden family, Pastor
Oscar Walls and YOU!

Bring your favorite dish and come join us for
this special time of fellowship!

EVERYONE WELCOME



"What I really need is a translation that won't leave me feeling guilty, convicted, or in need of making some kind of decision."



Cousin Leroy

Old Doc Carver was Leroy's family practitioner who still made house calls. One afternoon he was called to Leroy's house because his wife was in terrible pain. The doctor came out of the bedroom a minute after he'd gone in and asked ole Leroy, "Do you have a hammer?" A puzzled Leroy went to the barn, and returned with a hammer. The doctor thanked him and went back into the bedroom. A moment later, he came out and asked, "Do you have a chisel?" With a worried look on his face Leroy ran to get the chisel. In the next ten minutes, Dr. Carver asked for and received a pair of pliers, a screwdriver and a hacksaw. The last request finally got to old Leroy and he cried out, "What in thearnation are you a doin to my wife doc?" "Not a thing," replied old doc Carver. "I can't get my instrument bag open."

Visitation

Two church members were going door to door. They knocked on the door of a woman who clearly was not happy to see them. She told them in no uncertain terms she did not want to hear their message and then slammed the door in their faces. To her surprise, the door did not close. In fact, it bounced back open. She tried again, really put her back into the job, and slammed the door again. Same results. The door bounced back like it was made of Silly Putty. Convinced one of these rude church members was sticking a foot in the door, she reared back to give the door a slam that would teach them a lesson. Just then, one of the church members said, "Ma'am, before you do that again, you might want to move your cat."



Grandpa's Words of Wisdom

It's So Hot That...

- ..The birds have to use potholders to pull worms out of the ground.
- ..Hot water now comes out of both taps in the sink.
- ..You learn that a seat belt buckle makes a pretty good branding iron.
- ..The temperature drops below 95 and you feel a little chilly.
- ..You discover that in August it only takes 2 fingers to steer your car.
- ..You discover that you can get sunburned through your car window.
- ..Your biggest bicycle wreck fear is, "What if I get knocked out and end up lying on the pavement and cook to death?"
- ..Farmers are feeding their chickens crushed ice to keep them from laying boiled eggs.

That Beautiful Song...

There was a woman who spent some months serving at a mission in Kenya. On her final visit to a remote township she attended a medical clinic. As the Maasai women there began to sing together, she found herself deeply moved by their hauntingly beautiful harmonies. She wanted to always remember so she recorded this moment and would share it with friends when she arrived home. With tears flowing down her cheeks, she turned to her friend and asked, "Can you please tell me the translation of the words to this beautiful song?" Her friend looked at her and solemnly replied, "If you boil the water, you won't get diarrhea."

Passing the Hat

During the last Sunday service that the visiting pastor was to spend at the church he served for some months, his hat was passed around for a goodwill offering. When it returned to the pastor, it was empty. The pastor didn't flinch. He raised the hat to Heaven and said, "Lord, I am just thankful that I got my hat back from this bunch."



“How May I Serve You?”

John 13:1-5, 12-17

Now before the feast of the passover, when Jesus knew that his hour was come that he should depart out of this world unto the Father, having loved his own which were in the world, he loved them unto the end. 2And supper being ended, the devil having now put into the heart of Judas Iscariot, Simon's son, to betray him; 3Jesus knowing that the Father had given all things into his hands, and that he was come from God, and went to God; 4He riseth from supper, and laid aside his garments; and took a towel, and girded himself. 5After that he poureth water into a bason, and began to wash the disciples' feet, and to wipe them with the towel wherewith he was girded.

12So after he had washed their feet, and had taken his garments, and was set down again, he said unto them, Know ye what I have done to you? 13Ye call me Master and Lord: and ye say well; for so I am. 14If I then, your Lord and Master, have washed your feet; ye also ought to wash one another's feet. 15For I have given you an example, that ye should do as I have done to you. 16Verily, verily, I say unto you, The servant is not greater than his lord; neither he that is sent greater than he that sent him. 17If ye know these things, happy are ye if ye do them.

In our text, we see a beautiful example of how we should be serving one another. Jesus washed his disciple's feet and wiped them with the towel he was girded with. Foot washing is a very humbling experience. We don't see much of it anymore in the church today because probably 90% of the "Religious Folks" would complain or murmur about doing such a "gross" thing like that. But not Jesus... Look at verses 14 & 15 - 14If I then, your Lord and Master, have washed your feet; ye also ought to wash one another's feet. 15For I have given you an example, that ye should do as I have done to you. The Big Idea here is: Be like Jesus by serving others. That is what he's trying to show us here. If the very Creator himself can humbly wash his creations feet why in the world can't we do the same for others in need? You don't necessarily have to be washing feet all the time but you should strive to be a servant. That was the biggest thing Jesus wanted us to be doing. Take a look at these verses, *John 13:34-35 - A new commandment I give unto you, That ye love one another; as I have loved you, that ye also love one another. 35By this shall all men know that ye are my disciples, if ye have love one to another.* So how can you and I be like Jesus? Serve others because of love. Love for others starts with a love for God. When we discover that God loves us with an everlasting love and that we matter deeply to Him, we will want to obey Him. When we allow the love of God to flow through us, it will make us humble towards one another. Look at these verses: *Mark 10:43-44 - But so shall it not be among you: but whosoever will be great among you, shall be your minister: 44And whosoever of you will be the chiefest, shall be servant of all. Luke 22:27 - For whether is greater, he that sitteth at meat, or he that serveth? is not he that sitteth at meat? but I am among you as he that serveth.* If service was not beneath Jesus, it certainly isn't beneath us. Be like Jesus by serving others.

Mike Heltsley * Preaching The Truth Ministries

P.O. Box 4101 * Hopkinsville , KY. 42241-4101 * Tel # (270) 889-7007 * www.preachingthetruth.net

HOLD ON, HE'LL BE THERE

Dear child of God, let me ask a question: Are you praying for an answer from the Lord and have yet to see those prayers answered? You have prayed in Jesus' name, according to His word. It has been so long, and now you are growing weary. You have seen many prayers answered in the past, but now you are asking the Lord, "Why?" Some of God's promises are fulfilled quickly, but others, like the one God gave David saying He would be King, have to be fought for. There are times when the mountain is so high and dark. The enemy will try to tell you, "You won't make it." Stand on God's word and declare His promises. Go forward knowing the Lord is with you. How precious is His promise - I will never leave you or forsake you. Let us keep praying and believing the answer is on the way. Thank you, Jesus. The lyrics of this song were written after all seemed hopeless in this precious preacher's life, then Jesus came and touched him, and he was healed. He penned the song I recorded, "He'll Be There." HE'LL BE THERE: If you have trouble and everything's gone wrong, Don't give up the battle, it won't last very long. Don't ever doubt Jesus, He knows and He cares, Hold on till He answers, hold right on and He'll be there. Yes, He'll be there when all hope is gone, Although sometimes it seems that He waits oh so long, But He knows what's best for you and me, just remember He cares, Hold on till He answers, hold right on and He'll be there. Oh sometimes it's so hard for there's so much pain, Oh but there is a reason and it's not all in vain. Maybe you'll help someone with a load that they bear, Hold on till He answers, hold right on and He'll be there.

Until Next Time, His Handmaiden, Betty Jean Robinson

P O Box 847 - Brentwood, TN 37024 www.bettyjeanrobinson.org



A Convenient Season...

And after certain days, when Felix came with his wife Drusilla, which was a Jewess, he sent for Paul, and heard him concerning the faith in Christ. And as he reasoned of righteousness, temperance, and judgment to come, Felix trembled, and answered, Go thy way for this time; when I have a convenient season, I will call for thee. Acts 24:25

In this passage of scripture we find the Apostle Paul who is at present time a captive, a prisoner for preaching the Gospel of Jesus...here we find him brought before the Governor of Judea. What an opportunity this would have been for the enemy to convince Paul to compromise the message...if he preached something that was soft to the ears of this man maybe he could find favor in the sight of the government and perhaps be freed from his bondage. But if you know anything about the Apostle Paul than you know he did not compromise...he stood there and preached on righteousness, temperance AND judgment to come! Unlike most of the preachers that we have today Paul's concern was not to be politically or religiously correct...his concern was the souls of Felix and Drusilla! He preached this "old fashion message" and Holy Ghost conviction gripped the heart of Felix...so much so that the Bible says he "trembled"! And sitting there under the convicting power of the Holy Spirit he looks at Paul and speaks these horrifying words...Go thy way for this time; when I have a convenient season, I will call for thee. When it is more "convenient" for me...then MAYBE I will get right with God. Those are words that the devil loves to hear....maybe later...maybe next time...maybe tomorrow...I don't have time for God right now...its not convenient for me BUT maybe some other time...countless souls are in hell today...not because they were a bad person, not because they were caught up in false doctrine...BUT simply because the devil convinced them time and time again that they could get right later UNTIL one day there were no more tomorrows....no time for next time... it was TO LATE! I remember reading a story some time ago that I would like to share with you here...One day in the portals of the damned satan called his head demons together and asked them for ideas...one GRAND deception to deceive man and cause him to miss heaven and end up in hell. One of the demons said...we will just tell them that there was no Jesus...to which satan replied, well that has worked for many but there are far far to many who will not accept that. Another slipped up his slimy hand and said...ok we will tell them that yes Jesus was real but he died and that was it...he was just a man...to which satan replied, we have many that believe that yet their are still many more who believe that he was more than a man...yes that even believe that he was crucified and arose from the dead...a fact that has been documented. Another demon said how about we let them believe that yes Jesus lived...died and rose from the grave BUT there are many ways to God...not just him! Once again satan smiled and said we have used that for many years and it does work for some but there are a multitude that we cannot convince of that. Then from the back of the room the ugliest and most cunning looking demon of them all said...I have got it boss...we will tell them that YES there was a Jesus...YES he died on the cross and came forth from the grave...AND yes he is the only way to heaven... now by this time satan was ready himself to throw this demon out BUT then the demon raised his voice to a different level and said...YES WE WILL LET THEM BELIEVE ALL OF THIS...BUT WE WILL ALSO CONVINCCE THEM THAT THEY HAVE PLENTY OF TIME TO REPENT...PLENTY OF TIME TO COME TO JESUS...PLENTY OF TIME FOR JESUS...LATER!!! This caused the most wicked grin to appear on the face of satan for he knew that's ALL HE HAD TO DO! You see my friend satan does not have to convince you to "never come to Jesus"...all he has to do is convince you not to do it today! One day at a time is all he has to do this for he knows that sooner or later you will run out of days...out of time...and then it will be to late! None of us are promised tomorrow...if you have not accepted Jesus Christ as Lord and Saviour today...PLEASE don't put it off...don't let your voice be one of the millions that cry out for one more chance...one more altar call...one more Sunday...but it's to late...TO LATE! If you are a born again Christian but you are putting off working for the Lord...putting off being the witness that you are suppose to be...putting off winning the lost...PLEASE don't put it off any longer...you don't know how much more time you have to reach them OR how much more time those that you need to reach have! Jesus said in *John 4:35 Say not ye, There are yet four months, and then cometh harvest? behold, I say unto you, Lift up your eyes, and look on the fields; for they are white already to harvest.* The fields are white and ready to harvest...IT'S HARVEST TIME let us go forth and be the light that we are suppose to be TODAY for we may not...THEY MAY NOT have a TOMORROW! Be blessed in Jesus name! Pastor Billy R. Douglas

(For he saith, I have heard thee in a time accepted, and in the day of salvation have I succoured thee: behold, now is the accepted time; behold, now is the day of salvation.)

2 Corinthians 6:2



REESIE'S RECIPES



Brownie Pie

- 1 (9 inch) unbaked pie crust
- 1 cup semisweet chocolate chips
- 1/4 cup margarine
- 1 (14 oz) can eagle brand sweetened condensed milk
- 1/2 cup biscuit baking mix
- 2 eggs
- 1 tsp. vanilla
- 1 cup chopped nuts
- Vanilla Ice cream (optional)

Preheat oven to 375. Bake pie crust 10 minutes, remove from oven. Reduce oven temperature to 325. In small sauce pan over low heat, melt chocolate chips with margarine. In large bowl beat chocolate mixture, Eagle Brand milk, biscuit mix, eggs, and vanilla until smooth. Stir in nuts, pour into prepared pie crust. Bake 40-45 minutes or until center is set. Cool at least one hour. Serve with Ice cream. Store leftovers in refrigerator.

Easy Cheesy Bacon Bread

- 1 pound sliced bacon, chopped
- 1 large onion chopped
- 1 large green bell pepper, chopped
- 1/2 tsp ground red pepper
- 3 containers (7 1/2 oz each) refrigerated buttermilk biscuits
- 2 1/2 cups shredded cheddar cheese, divided
- 1/2 cup (1 stick) butter, melted

Preheat oven to 350. Coat nonstick bundt pan with non-stick cooking spray, set aside. Cook bacon in large skillet over medium heat 3 to 4 minutes or until crisp. Drain bacon on paper towel. Reserve 1 tablespoon drippings in skillet, discard remaining fat. Add onion, bell pepper, and red pepper to skillet, cook and stir over medium heat 10 minutes or until tender. Cool. Cut biscuits into quarters. Combine biscuit pieces, bacon, onion mixture, 2 cups cheese and melted butter in large bowl, mix gently. Loosely press mixture into prepared pan. Bake 30 minutes or until golden brown. Cool 5 minutes in pan on wire rack. Invert onto serving platter and sprinkle with remaining cheese. Serve warm.

Easy Salmon Pie

- 1 can (7 1/2 oz) salmon packed in water, drained and deboned
- 1/2 cup grated parmesan cheese
- 1/4 cup sliced green onions
- 1 jar (2 oz) chopped pimentos, drained
- 1/2 cup low fat cottage cheese
- 1 tablespoon lemon juice
- 1 1/2 cups low fat milk
- 3/4 cup reduced fat biscuit baking mix
- 2 whole eggs
- 2 egg whites
- 1/4 tsp. salt
- 1/4 tsp. Dried dill weed
- 1/4 tsp. paprika (optional)

Preheat oven to 375. Coat 9 inch deep dish pie plate with cooking spray. Combine first 4 ingredients in pie plate, set aside. Combine cottage cheese and lemon juice in a blender, blend until smooth. Add remaining ingredients except paprika, blend 15 seconds. Pour over salmon mixture in pie plate. Sprinkle with paprika (optional). Bake 35 to 40 minutes or until lightly golden and knife inserted in center comes out clean. Cool 5 minutes before serving.

Mexican Skillet Tamale Casserole

Filling

- 1 pound lean ground beef
- 1 cup frozen corn, thawed
- 1 (8 oz) can tomato sauce
- 1 (4 oz) can chopped green chiles
- 1/2 cup water
- 1 packet taco seasoning
- 1/2 tsp. ground cumin

Crust

- 1/2 cup biscuit baking mix
- 1 cup whole milk
- 2 large eggs
- 1 1/2 cups shredded Monterey Jack cheese

Garnish with: Sour cream, sliced olives, chopped tomatoes,

Preheat oven to 400 degrees. Heat large non stick oven proof skillet over medium heat until hot. Add beef, cook and stir until browned. Drain beef and return to skillet. Stir in remaining filling ingredients. Remove from heat and smooth surface with spoon. Combine biscuit mix, milk and eggs in small bowl. Stir until well blended. Pour evenly over meat mixture. Bake 40 minutes or until crust is golden and knife inserted in center comes out clean. Sprinkle evenly with cheese. Let stand 5 minutes before serving. Garnish as desired.



"Perilous Times Shall Come"

Pastor Wayne Clabaugh, I

"And because iniquity shall abound, the love of many shall wax cold. But he that shall endure unto the end, the same shall be saved." Mat 24:12,13 (KJV)

Perilous: a period of increasing activity, tension, or anxiety, risky, hazardous, dangerous, chancy, delicate, dicey, dynamite, exposed, insecure, playing with fire, rugged, shaky, threatening, ticklish, touch and go, touchy, treacherous, uncertain, unhealthy, unsafe, unsound, unstable, unsteady, unsure, vulnerable, wicked

Friend, I have had three phone calls from people who have met with family or associate situations that they cannot cope with. Hatred, fear, cussing, threats... terrible emotions of people dealing with very real, and very trying situations - and I don't know what you're going through today, but I can guarantee you that it is more than just the "character flaws" of your friend or family members that your facing. Oh how I would like to just have a moment to tell the WORLD to "LISTEN" - because Jesus is speaking here. He is saying, *"And because iniquity shall abound, the love of many shall wax cold. But he that shall endure unto the end, the same shall be saved." Mat 24:12,13* This is not about your spouse or your child or your "one-time" best friend, or your boss... it's not even about your Pastor! Evil is being "let loose" in the world and that iniquity shall abound or flourish or flow, and because of that the love of many or the agape (the dearest affection; benevolence; charity) of many will WAX cold. That means that what was once a love that was steadfast, and immovable, rock-solid, will become "reactive-based" and filled with vengeance. Now, don't get me wrong... that happens and has happened for years. In fact, in many instances, it has seeded such evil that someone becomes hurt and maybe even killed. But, those have been isolated cases. Jesus wasn't speaking of isolated cases - He was speaking here in Matthew 24 of the WORLD as a whole. Can you imagine the WORLD feeling about you like that one who may have called your house this morning and threatened you? Can you imagine being taken in such evil that you would begin to hate everything and everyone and if you had your choice you would rather be alone than to speak with anyone or associate with anyone because you stand to deal with ANYONE ANYMORE? Can you think of any better way for Satan to get full control of your life and to destroy you - than for you to fall into that kind of evil? Thousands, maybe millions are experiencing that kind of evil in their lives right now and it is manifesting itself in several different ways. But I want to start here today by giving you the scripture that explains exactly what is happening and I am going to break this down and help you to resist the devil and to stand strong in the Lord. REMEMBER... Jesus said, *"...he that shall endure to the end, the same shall be saved." Matthew 24:13*. Look at 2 Timothy 3:1-5 *"This know also, that in the last days perilous times shall come. For men shall be lovers of their own selves, covetous, boasters, proud, blasphemers, disobedient to parents, unthankful, unholy, Without natural affection, trucebreakers, false accusers, incontinent, fierce, despisers of those that are good, Traitors, heady, highminded, lovers of pleasures more than lovers of God; Having a form of godliness, but denying the power thereof: from such turn away." 2Ti 3:1-5* Today, I want you to be aware of the fact that whatever is happening in your life from now on, will carry with it such intensity that you will be overwhelmed if you do not remain grounded in the LORD! Jesus is Coming very soon; I believe with all of my heart and we must guard our hearts and our minds and keep our spirits fresh in the Lord through the reading of His WORD and PRAYING IN THE SPIRIT, and through individual WORSHIP and PRAISE before the Lord!

In The Garden Ministries - www.inthegarden.us - P.O. Box 8883 Saint Joseph, MO. 64508

If My People

If my people, which are called by my name, shall humble themselves, and pray, and seek my face, and turn from their wicked ways; then will I hear from heaven, and will forgive their sin, and will heal their land. 2 Chronicles 7:14

Here the Lord is talking about you and I, we are called by his name. Get your pride out of the way, which is to humble yourself, seek his will not ours, seek his face which is his glory, not his hand as to what he can do for you, turn from our wicked ways, not just ask forgiveness but turn from our sins. If we do what he said, then he will forgive our sins and heal our land.

Evangelist Bill Willis

P.O. Box 182 - Sacramento, KY 42372 - (270) 736-2822 www.billwillisministries.com



Prayer List



SALVATION CORNER

We have set aside this corner of THE TRUMPET to show God's Plan of Salvation. If you are unsure where you will go when you die, please listen to what God has said in His Word:

FIRST . . . GOD LOVES YOU! "For God so loved the world that he gave His only Begotten Son, that whosoever believeth in Him should not perish, but have Everlasting Life" Jn. 3:16

SECOND . . . MAN IS A SINNER, AND SIN HAS SEPARATED HIM FROM GOD! "For there is not a just man upon Earth, that doeth good and sinneth not" Eccl. 7:20. "For all have sinned and come short of the Glory of God" Rom. 3:23.

THIRD . . . JESUS CHRIST IS THE ONLY REMEDY FOR SIN! "For Christ also hath once suffered for sins, the just for the unjust, that He might bring us to God . . ." I Pet. 3:18 "Neither is there salvation in any other: for there is none other name under Heaven given among men, whereby we must be saved" Acts 4:12

FOURTH . . . YOU MUST RECEIVE JESUS CHRIST AS YOUR PERSONAL LORD AND SAVIOUR. Jesus calls this experience the "new birth." He told Nicodemus: ". . . Except a man be born again, he cannot see the Kingdom of God" Jn. 3:3.

We invite you now to receive the Lord Jesus Christ as your personal Saviour. "But as many as received Him, to them gave He power to become the sons of God, even to them that believe on His Name" Jn. 1:12.

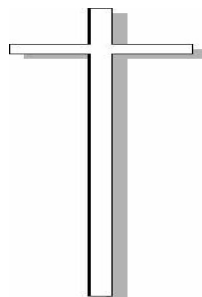
Pray this prayer and mean it with all of your heart: Dear Lord Jesus, I now realize that I am a sinner. I accept the fact that You died for me on the rugged Cross of Calvary. I now open my heart's door and receive You as Saviour and Lord of my life. Please take Full control of me and help me to be the kind of Christian You want me to be. Amen.

If you prayed this prayer in all sincerity, you are now a Child of God! So that we might rejoice with you, please write, call or email us today and we will send you some material to help you with your new walk with the LORD!

Ruth & Betty Slinker
Willard Walls
Rodney & Marie Howell
Jerry & Mary King
Dessie Sheriff
Larry & Ellie Johnson
Ann Hinton
Jamey Howell
Keith Payton & family
Harvey & Betty Willis
Bill Johnson
Suder Ave. Baptist Church
Ed Fleming
Carolyn Ralph & family
Bill & Nancy Willis
Samantha Bartlett & family
Curtis Dykes
Jeff Dickenson
Lyndall Shocklee & family
Barry Furgerson
Billy & Judy Frizzell
Letha Baize & family
Betty Butterworth
Bruce Taylor
Larry Weedman
Rev. Bobby Grove
Winfred Burden & family-
Jimmy & Sue Dukes
Ray & Mary Owens
Carolyn Baker & family
Red Dukes
Joni Wolfe & family
Wanda & Oscar Walls
James Coates & family
Billy Evitts & family
Roy & Sue Johnson
America & our leaders
George W. Bush
Israel
Jeremy Payton
Ruby Willis
Yvonne St.Clair
Roger Goostree
Teresa Parker
Myrtle Douglas
Rev. & Mrs. Paul Beasley
Wayne Carter & family
Chet Daugherty & family
Louise Johnson
Curtis Morris
David & Joyce Howard
Sandy Archibald
Ken & Janice Widener
Glenda Dewey
Charles McLaughlin
Barak Obama
Keisha Thurman
Etsil K. Hughes
Isaac Woodruff

Johnny Ford
Danny & Janet Willis
Larry & Vicki Douglas
Mary Ford
Terry & Phyllis Dickenson
Nathan Walls
Billy & Reesie Douglas
Ed St. Clair
Scott Sheriff
Tommy Willis & family
Jack Butterworth Sr .
Jack Butterworth Jr.
Eric & Cassie Dickenson-
Shane Sheriff
Eddie St. Clair
Charles Pope
Chasity Miiler
Rev. Jeff Carter & family
Brandy & Dylon Capps
Scott & Cindy Heads
Leon & Kathy Hardison
Janice Thomas
Robert & Virginia Dunn
Colin Allred
Willy Douglas & family
Amy Dunn
Ella Earl
Brad Litherland
David Fentress
Vickie Gipp
Andre Gipp
Daniel & Gary Terry
Deanna Linkugel
Tim Gilbert
Ed Young
Larry Garza
Marcie Eidsmoe
Estellene Shaver
Randy & Maggie Southern
Randy Rash & family
Linda Dunning
Jason Ford
Whitney Ford
Wayne & Osella Clabaugh
Misty Graham
Samuel Anderson
Kyle English
Lana Albin
Bill Chancellor
Charles & Sandy Davis
Deborah Reick
Annie Gentry
Joe & Ella Weatherford
Pam Mullins-Tackett
Wendell Chambers family
Jason Chambers
Tyler Willis
Jim Bliss
Leroy & Nancy Scaff

Becky Hendrix & family
Loretta Murphy & family
Judy Hillard
Mike & Laurie Heltsley
Pennie & Logan Heltsley
Rachel Brown
Eufaula McElroy & family
Timmy Ford
Irene Baker
Anthony Stevens & family
David Peters
Inez Rickard
Christine Vaughn
Larry Mayfield
Deborah Sweeney & family
Gary Rose
Rick Howard
Estel Cronin
Brian Druin
Don & Elaine Denton
Jessie Groves
Jill Steffes
Linda & Bubby Smith
Betty Embry
Diane Rogier
Eddie Dame
Barbara Dame
Bill Krambeer
Barbara Allgood
Art Coker
William & Denise Casey
Joe Johnson
Larry Demer & family
Adrian Demer
Isaac Mbatha
Lula Chancellor
Gwendella Powell
Elsie Mc Manaway
Larry Richards
Juanita Shroader
Barbara Henderson
Alice Taylor & family
Cassie Dickenson
Debra Graham
Amy Davis & family
Marsha Miller





Weekly Radio Broadcast

Affiliates

VOTL Radio

www.votlradio.com

91.5 FM WBFJ McDaniels, KY

97.1 FM WBFJ Fort Knox, KY

WXCF-AM/WKEY-AM
Covington, VA

Sound of Truth Radio
Spartanburg SC

www.siwministries.org

Sunlite Radio - Oak Lawn, IL
www.sunlite-radio.com

RadioCIA - Bossier City, LA
www.radiocia.com

WBFJ Radio - Clothier, WV
www.wbfjradio.net

South Wind Radio - Montesano, WA
www.southwindradio.com

ITGM Radio - St. Joseph, MO
www.itgmradio.com

WNY Radio - Youngstown, NY
www.wnyradio.com



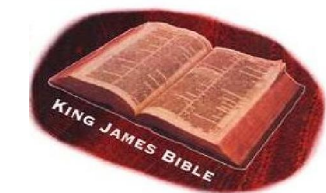
The Offence of the Cross

by Ray Owens

1 Corinthians 1 17:21

The latest fashion statement everywhere one looks is the cross. You see crosses on ladies blouses, mens shirts, ladies handbags, jewelry, you name it & it has a cross on it. I doubt if most really realize the price paid at Calvary for the redemption of our sins. What about the Church, or the so called church world? They don't want to offend anyone by displaying crosses. Many do not want to preach the cross or sing about the cross either. In 1 Corinthians and starting at vs. 17 Paul said this: *For Christ sent me not to baptize, but to preach the the gospel. Not with the wisdom of words, lest the cross of Christ should be made of none effect. For the preaching of the cross is to them that perish foolishness, but unto us which are saved it is the power of God.* What is he saying to us here? He is saying Christ sent him to preach the Gospel. What is the Gospel? The Gospel is the good news that God sent his son to a lost and dying world to be the propitiation (substitute or replacement) for our sins. He took the punishment that we deserve. All we have to do is exhibit faith in what Christ has already accomplished at Calvary and therefore be cleansed, set free, justified and sanctified.(1 John 4:10) Paul said lest the cross be made of none effect. Has the cross been made of none effect to us when it is only wore as a fashion statement and most really do not know the meaning because there are not enough preaching on it anymore? Paul said the preaching of the cross is to them that perish foolishness. May we as ministers of the Gospel preach the cross, proclaim that Christ and Him crucified is the only answer for the ills of man. I am not a minister myself, other than a minister in song and writing articles now and then, but I am including myself as well. Unto us that are saved it is the power of God. Everything that we need , everything that is a help to us, comes by way of the cross. Jesus said if I go away I will send another comforter. The Holy Spirit leads, guides, directs , and brings us closer to God as we focus on what Christ did at the cross. I am crucified with Christ, nevertheless I live, yet not I but Christ liveth in me, And the life that I now live in the flesh I live by the faith in the son of God who loved me and gave himself for me. Vs. 21 says, For after that in the wisdom of God the world by wisdom knew not God. The world's wisdom is not going to save or help anyone. Psychology cannot change a persons heart or desires, NO, Paul says it pleased God by the foolishness of preaching to save them that believe. Believe in what? For God so loved the world that he gave his only begotten son, that whosoever believeth in Him shall not perish but have everlasting life (John 3:16). That is the message of the gospel. Looking unto Jesus, the Author and the finisher of our faith. Jesus Christ is the same yesterday, Today and forever. God Bless you all!

Ray Owens - P.O. Box 972 McKinney, TX 75070 -
www.rayowensmusic.com



The Preserved Word of God

Voice of the LORD Ministries
P.O. Box 541 - Livermore, KY 42352

Phone: 270-313-8753 - Web Site: www.voiceofthelordministries.com

Email: voiceofthelordministries@juno.com