

Shore Lines of the Northfield Church of Christ

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Sunday AM Services Streaming @ 9:30AM ([Click for link](#))

Sunday Evening Message "Called To Conform." @ 6:00PM ([click for link](#))

Wednesday Bible Zoom Study: "Ezekiel" w/ Steve Robertson @ 6:30PM.

- Please observe good distancing inside the building & sit only in designated pews.
- *Masks Are Mandatory.*
- If You Feel That You Are At High Risk Or Are Feeling ill, Please Stay Home.

WE BELIEVE WE MUST...

HEAR- *the Word of God (Romans 10:17)*

BELIEVE- *that Jesus is the Son of God (Mark 16:16)*

REPENT- *of our sins (Acts 2:38)*

CONFESS- *Jesus as the Son of God (Acts 8:37)*

BAPTISM (Immersed)- *in water for the remission of sins & to be added to the church (Acts 2:38, 41, 47)*

LIVE FAITHFULLY- *by the teachings of the Bible (Luke 9:23).*

To Find Truth— *Listen to Jesus, not Theologians*

Centuries ago, theologians decided that little children are sinners, and therefore they must be baptized so their sins can be forgiven. When one believes this false idea, the obvious conclusion is that an infant who dies in his infancy and has not been baptized (usually by having water sprinkled on him) cannot go to heaven. This is not what the Bible teaches but is what theologians convinced many Christians to believe. Are children who die in infancy doomed to go to an eternal hell?

To see that this doctrine is not found in the Bible, consider the Bible definition of sin which separates one from God (**Isa. 59:1-2**). *How does the Bible define sin?* Listen to the words of God. *“Sin is the transgression of the law” (1 John 3:4, KJV)*. Using this definition, the obvious question to be asked is what sin had a newborn baby committed? Has he put some other God ahead of Jehovah God? Has he created a graven image to worship? Has he taken the name of the Lord in vain? Has he dishonored his parents? Is he guilty of being a thief? Has he committed adultery? Has that newborn told a lie or coveted anything? The answer is obvious. What law of God has a newborn broken?

The theologians realized that a helpless newborn could not actively violate God’s teaching, so as they developed their theology, they came to the conclusion that babies inherit the sins of Adam and Eve. They created a new concept—one not found in the Bible—that a baby’s sin is not an action but an inheritance.

What does the Bible say about this? God so clearly gives us the answer. The Jews in Ezekiel used a proverb about how a father ate sour grapes and his children had that bitter taste in their mouth. God rebuked them saying, *“As I live you shall no longer use this proverb in Israel” (Ezek. 18:3)*. The father’s actions do not determine the destiny of the child. The theologians were wrong! *“The soul who sins shall die... The son shall not bear the guilt of the father, nor the father bear the guilt of the son”*

(**Ezek. 18:4, 20**). Ancient Jewish theologians were wrong as are more modern “*Christian*” theologians. The very basis of infant baptism is destroyed. Babies have no sin, and therefore do not need to be baptized for the remission of sins.

How does Jesus describe the spiritual nature of little children? *“Of such is the kingdom of heaven” (Matt. 19:14)*. To enter the kingdom of heaven we must *“...become as little children” (Matt. 18:3)*. The greatest in the kingdom is the one *“...who humbles himself as this little child” (Matt. 18:4)*.

Oh, how our world would be drastically changed if religious people quit listening to theologians, priests, bishops and pastors as they tell their thoughts and just listen to Jesus!

April 18, 2021 Article
Dan Jenkins



Palm Beach Lakes
CHURCH OF CHRIST



SERVING TODAY

Announcements/YouTube: Bro Mike Walsh

Song Leader: Bro Lee Christensen

Opening Prayer: Bro Ron Clevenger

Communion: Bro Javier Perez

Sermon: Bro Mark Seim

Closing Prayer: Bro Bart Diguglielmo

WORSHIP ORDER

Call to Worship (Himno)

Announcements

Opening Prayer (Oracion)

Hymn (Himno)

Lord's Supper (Santa Cena)

Hymn (Himno)

Reading- *Matt.5:20; Heb.12:24; LK.17:10*

Sermon- *The Gospel Of The Kingdom...Its*

Righteousness

Invitational Hymn (Himno)

Closing Hymn (Himno)

Closing Prayer (Oracion)

CONGREGATIONAL NOTES

- We Rejoice in the *Baptism* of Marie Torres last Lord's Day. Help her feel a part of this congregation.



- The Food Bank is open and available to those in need. Please bring in non-perishable items to help keep it stocked.

The Gospel of The Kingdom... *Its Righteousness*

INTRODUCTION... We have seen that to enter the kingdom of God, one must be born again. Along with this, we must make sure that "our election and calling" is sure. This morning we will focus our attention on the righteousness of the kingdom. I hope we will see that it surpasses any other righteousness out there, and that it produces a holiness without which no one will see the Lord. In our lesson today, we will see that Jesus had a lot to say about the righteousness of the kingdom.

I. THE NECESSARY ATTITUDES (Matt.5:3-12)

(A)The Attitudes Include These Things;

(a) *Poverty of spirit* (V 3), (b) *Mourning* (V 4), (c) *Meekness toward God & others* (V 5), (d) *Hungering & thirsting for righteousness* (V 6), (e) *Merciful toward others* (V 7), (f) *Purity of heart* (V 8), (g) *Makers of peace* (V 9), (h) *Willingness to endure persecution* (V 10-12)

(B)These Attitudes Can Lead To;

(a) *The kingdom of heaven* (V 3, 12), (b) *Comfort* (V 4), (c) *Inheriting the earth (a blessed life)* (V 5, Psa. 37), (d) *Being filled with righteousness* (V 6), (e) *Obtaining mercy* (V 7), (f) *Seeing God* (V8), (g) *Being called children of God* (V 9), (h) *A great reward in heaven* (V 10-12)

II. OUR NECESSARY CONDUCT

(A)Letting Our Light Shine

(1)Matt.5:13-16

(B)Having A Higher Standard Of Conduct

(1)Matt.5:21-26

(2)Matt.5:27-30

(3)Matt.5:33-37

(4)Matt.5:38-42

(5)Matt.5:43-48

(6)Matt.6:1-4

III.THE NECESSARY PRIORITIES

(A)Regarding What Our Treasure Is

(1)Matt.6:19-24

(B)Regarding What Comes First

(1)Matt.6:25-32

(2)Matt.6:33-34

CONCLUSION... In view of the importance of the kingdom and it's righteousness, I hope that we will be diligent in seeking the necessary attitudes that will make us receptive to the Father's will. I hope that all of this is not too much of a daunting task for us. If we have the proper attitudes and are willing to set the necessary priorities, I believe that God will help us with the necessary conduct. This righteousness must surpass anything else around us...

THOUGHT OF THE WEEK

The sins we continue to allow to infiltrate the house of God is very disconcerting. Do WE not want to say anything because people will think wrongly of us? Do we care about our fellow man/woman? There is nowhere in the Bible the preacher should be the only one to do the correcting of the saints. We as Christians are commanded to correct one another. Is it just that we are all going through the motions (through the door, sit down, maybe speak to one another, some sing (with the spirit?), reach in your pocket and give what you have available, take communion, pray and when services are over you leave quickly. During the pandemic WE ALL should have given some thought about how our Christian life is or have been. We allow racism, homosexuality, drinking in excess, hatred, pride, cheating, adultery, idolatry, socializing in your cliques, backstabbing, smoking, (1) forsaking the assembly, to name just a few sins to infiltrate the building and sit right next to us in the pews every Lord's Day without naming it. The leader of all these acts is named SATAN! We should not come to services to hear the "feel good" sermons because that is not all we read and study in the Bible.

SCRIPTURE OF THE WEEK

- **Genesis 4:1-13**
- **Galatians 6:1**

LITTLE HUMOR

MARRIAGE is like a deck of cards...in the beginning all you need is two hearts and a **DIAMOND**, by the end, you wish you had a club and a spade!

PREACHERS NOTES

Hi to all

Glad to have Bill and Noreen back with us after their vacation to FL. Also great to have Javier and Miranda back too. Last week, Maria Torres was baptized into the Lord. Please take the time this morning to greet and meet her if you haven't already done so. Maria is attending Noreen's Tuesday night class and has joined our ZOOM class on Wednesday evening. Do all you can to encourage her. It was great to have Ron and Terri back with us last week, as they were sorely missed. As many are vaccinated, we hope to have more folks returning. Be sure to check out our bulletin to see those who are requesting our prayers. Also, you can visit our website or Facebook page for additional information. This evening's PM message will be about knowing that we are "Called To Conform."

HAPPY ANNIVERSARY'S & BIRTHDAY'S TO ALL OUR APRIL FAMILY!!!

Keep in Your Prayers



PLEASE CONTINUE TO PRAY FOR ALL WHO WERE NOT MENTIONED IN THE BULLETIN OR WHO YOU MAY KNOW WHO NEED PRAYERS!!!

OUR MEMBERS:

- Please pray for Elizabeth Estevez, she will be having surgery on April 30th.
- Keep Melida in your prayers she is suffering with leg pain.
- Continued prayers for Robin who is suffering with health issues.

FRIENDS & RELATIVES:

- Mark & Jane's granddaughter (Athena) fell at the playground keep her in your prayers for a speedy and healthy recovery.
- Pray for the families who have lost loved ones in the Atlanta and Colorado shootings.
- Amie Harris asks prayers for her sister during her first pregnancy (& husband). Also prayers for her friend Tazz, who's been diagnosed with liver cancer.
- Ron's mother cancer is in remission & she is doing well. Continue to keep Seth, Ron's son in your prayers.
- Pray for (Mark & Jane) (S-I-L) & Freddy's co-worker that contracted COVID-19.
- Keep Mark/Jane's friend (Pat) in your prayers she has improved.
- Keep MJ's friend Pat in your prayers.
- Continue prayers for Bill'(B-I-L) Bruce who is still being monitored for health issues .
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CONGREGATION CONTINUAL PRAYERS:

- Toms River Church of Christ
- Cape May Courthouse Church of Christ
- D.R.- Ministry (Growth)
- Zambia (Continued Relief)
- El Salvador Church of Christ

*******FIND COVID-19 TESTING SITES*******

[WALGREENS.COM/CORONAVIRUS](https://www.walgreens.com/coronavirus)

[ACLINK.ORG](https://aclink.org)

All New Jerseyans can pre-register for vaccines at this time.

[Visit covid19.nj.gov/vaccine](https://covid19.nj.gov/vaccine) to pre-register, see if you are eligible for the vaccine, and find a vaccination site near you.