

GOD'S PLAN OF SALVATION

Hear the Gospel (Rm 10:17) - Jesus, the Son of God was born of a virgin birth, lived a sinless life, died on a cross to bear our sins, was resurrected and is now Lord over all, and through His death and life man can be eternally saved through obedience of faith in Him.

Believe the Gospel (Jn 3:16; Heb. 11:6; Mk 16:16)
Trust in God's promise to save you through Jesus.

Repent (Acts 2:38,3:19,17:30;Titus 2:11-12)
Turn from a life of sin to living a life for God's glory.

Confess Jesus as Lord (Rm10:9-10; Acts 8:37)
An outward expression of your faith & submission.

Be Baptized [immersion] (1 Peter 3:21) - In baptism you are buried with Christ, and raised up with Him (Romans 6:3-4; Colossians 2:12). Your sins are washed away (Acts 22:16). At this moment you're **added to the church** (Acts 2:41), which is the BODY OF CHRIST (Ephesians 1:22-23) - the SAVED (Acts 2:47).

Remain Faithful (Rev. 2:10; Hebrews 10:23)
Continue to be faithful at any cost and the promise of heaven is sure.

THOSE PRIVILEGED TO SERVE

	03-26-23 (AM)	04-02-23(AM)
Greeter	Art Wallis	Kim Sleege
Song Leader	Jason Thompson	Troy Wallis
Prayer	Doug Phillips	Phil Legate
Table	Kim Sleege	Jason Thompson
	Steve Haugsted	Jacob Sorensen
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Scripture Reading	Ben McGowan	Tanner Wallis
Speaker	Matthew Brotherton	Matthew Brotherton
Closing Prayer	Terry Tull	Steve Haugsted
Lord's Supper Prep	Valerie Sleege	Abby Riggs
	03-26-23(PM)	04-02-23 (PM)
Speaker	Troy Wallis	Noah Riggs
Wed. Song Leader	(03/29) Noah R.	(04/05) Doug P.

ANNOUNCEMENTS & DATES

Ladies Bible Class Monday 3/27@ 7 pm here at the building.

There is a sign up sheet for the men on the bulletin board to preach on Sunday nights.

Ladies Day April 1st in Eagleville, MO.
Speakers will be Kayla Wallis and Anna Main.
More details are on the bulletin board.

Birthdays & Anniversaries March

3/4 Matthew Brotherton
3/5 Jason Thompson
3/7 Elianna Sorensen
3/9 Georgie Brotherton
3/13 Joyra Thompson
3/20 Jacob Sorensen
3/27 Ella Wallis
3/27 Trevor Wallis



3/6 Matthew & Georgie Brotherton



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Center Point Road Church of Christ

WE ARE A FAMILY WHOSE PURPOSE IS TO GLORIFY GOD, LEAD OTHERS TO CHRIST, MINISTER TO PEOPLE'S NEEDS. ENCOURAGE EACH OTHER TO GROW IN FAITH AND IN HIS WORD SO WE MAY ENJOY ETERNAL LIFE WITH HIM.

ASSEMBLY TIMES

SUNDAY

9:30A.M. BIBLE CLASS (ALL AGES)

10:30A.M. CONGREGATIONAL WORSHIP

6:00P.M. EVENING WORSHIP SERVICE
(ALL AVAILABLE VIA FACEBOOK LIVE AND YOUTUBE)

WEDNESDAY

7:00 P.M. BIBLE CLASS

(ALSO AVAILABLE VIA FACEBOOK LIVE AND YOUTUBE)

WE WELCOME OUR VISITORS AND HOPE YOU WILL STAY AFTER SERVICES SO WE CAN MEET YOU!!!

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Today's Sins

Eddie Parrish

Though I cannot recall the source, I remember the following illustration and its applicability to the topic at hand. Jewelers display diamonds and pearls on black cloth to create great contrast and thereby enhance the brightness of the jewels. In the first three chapters of Romans, Paul lays out the black cloth. In chapters four and five, he places the jewels on it. The black cloth is sin. The jewels are the salvation offered in Christ. Consider what Paul wrote about the sins of the Gentile world in Romans 1:18-32, and note how modern these ancient sins are.

The wrath of God is being revealed (present tense participle) on all who suppress the truth and consequently live ungodly and unrighteous lives (1:18). The truth that is being suppressed relates to the nature of God, which led to a failure to properly honor him (1:20-21). Though God had revealed himself to Gentiles (1:19), they had largely rejected him.

Even though God's eternal power and divine nature can be perceived through the created world (1:20; Psa. 19:1-4; Acts 14:17), the Gentiles refused that evidence and chose the path of worshiping the creature instead of the creator (1:21-23). When you suppress the truth of who God is, you set yourself up to believe any lie, no matter how foolish (1:22). Therefore, God gave them what they wanted (1:24-25). They wanted to live without restraint, to be led around by their own base lusts, and to ignore God and his moral law.

So God let them, and his wrath (1:18) came in the form of the consequences of those choices. One example of their degeneration was homosexuality (1:26-27). Paul uses strong words of condemnation for this immoral way of life: degrading passions, unnatural, and indecent acts. In quick fashion, Paul lists several additional sins that characterized those Gentiles who chose idolatry over God (1:28-32).

Take special note of the connection between what a person thinks about God and how that person acts (cf. Prov. 4:23; 23:7). It was because the Gentiles "exchanged the truth of God for a lie and worshiped and served the creature rather than the Creator" (Rom. 1:25) that God gave them over to the grossest immorality.

It is easy to see the same thing in our day. The more people reject the truth about God, the more they embrace depravity (Rom. 1:28). Look at the list of sins in this section and note how many of them are not just excused, but praised and promoted in our culture. It is neither Paul's point nor mine to imply that every person who rejects God will commit all of these immoral offenses. But the farther one separates from God, the more likely he will be to embrace godless, unholy behavior (1:32).

"That which has been is that which will be, and that which has been done is that which will be done. So there is nothing new under the sun" (Ecc. 1:9).

PRAYER LIST

- ◆ Gerry & Kathy Moser - Gerry's health
- ◆ Leonard Weber - Cancer treatment
- ◆ Steve Lewis - brother in law of Phil and Shelley Legate - Dementia/Alzheimer's
- ◆ Julie Davis - friend of Phil and Shelley from Fort Dodge - Lung cancer
- ◆ Marnetta Tillman - friend of the Haugsted's - health issues.
- ◆ Sharla Ashcraft - sister of Kayla Wallis - MS ; pain management
- ◆ Jessica Thompson - prayers for sooner consultation in Iowa City.
- ◆ Chris Mayfield - Wallis family neighbor - recent loss of his wife and daughter

