

THE GREEN PLAIN **PROCLAIMER**

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Schedule of **Services**

Sunday

- Bible Classes 10 am
- Worship 10:45 am and 6:00 pm
- Wednesday Bible Study 7:00 pm

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Preacher

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WHO WROTE THE BOOK OF MORMON? By Jonnie Hutchison

Many books have been written with the claim that they come from God. For example, the Book of Mormon is said to be "another gospel" which is claimed to have been given to Joseph Smith by an angel. The Mormons claim to believe both the Bible and the Book of Mormon, but their claim that the Book of Mormon is "another gospel" actually falls under the condemnation of the Bible. "I marvel that ye are so soon removed from him that called you into the grace of Christ unto another gospel: Which is not another; but there be some that trouble you, and would pervert the gospel of Christ. But though we, or an angel from heaven, preach any other gospel unto you than that which we have preached unto you, let him be accursed. As we said before, so say I now again, If any man preach any other gospel unto you than that ye have received, let him be accursed" (Galatians 1:6-9 KJV). Neither Paul nor any other inspired writer of the Bible mentions the events found in that work of human fiction known as the Book of Mormon. The Book of Mormon is

not the original gospel that Paul preached.

Yet the Mormons claim that when Jesus said, in John 10:16, "And other sheep I have which are not of **this fold**; them also I must bring, and they will hear My voice; and there will be one flock and one shepherd" He was speaking of those whose record is found in the Book of Mormon. However, a careful study of the passage and related verses show clearly that the phrase "this fold" refers to the Jews and the "other sheep" to the Gentiles. It was always God's plan that the Gentiles receive the saving message of the gospel as well as the Jews (See Isaiah 49:6; acts 13:47). This is readily apparent in the statement of Peter at the household of the Gentile Cornelio us. "Then Peter opened his mouth and said, "In truth I perceive that God shows no partiality. But in every nation whoever fears Him and works righteousness is accepted by Him" (Acts 10:34-35). After quoting from the prophet Isaiah Paul declared, in Acts 28:28, "Therefore let it be known to you that the salvation of God

NEWS AND NOTES

REMEMBER IN PRAYER: <u>Green Plain members</u>: Peggy Jarvis, Joanne Barnes, Maxine Pool, Hayes and Marjorie Grady, Jim Fielder, Griselda Adams, Larry Enoch, Mary and Jim Lowrie. Jesse Vincent underwent successful heart surgery last Monday and remains in the hospital this writing. Mary Vincent suffered a heart attach on Monday and had to have a stint installed. As of this writing she remains sedated and on a ventilator.

<u>Family and Friends</u>: Teresa Tacker, Bryan White, Kenneth Mizell, Dale Pentecost, Brett Wyatt, Roger Rhoades,, Joel White, Mary Lou Joseph, Jennie Pool. Nat and Rita Evans and Larry and Rose Wyatt. Please let us know of those who have improved or any one who needs to be added to this list.

- PANTRY ITEMS November 2021: 7—Green Beans; 14—Canned Corn; 21—Canned Peaches; 28—Canned Soups. Please bring any additional items you wish for the "blessing box" which is located next to the breezeway on the north side of the building.
- November 2021 <u>Anniversaries</u>: 1—Ann & David Thompson; 13—Jane & Brent Jr. Morris.; 17-Debbie & Mike Ernstberger; <u>Birthdays</u>: 15-Jonnie Hutchison; 23— Vickie Canter Please let us know if we have left anyone out.
- ENROLL IN A <u>FREE</u> BIBLE CORRECSPONDENCE COURSE. Send your name and complete mailing address and phone number to Green Plain church of Christ 3980 Murray Paris RD Hazel, KY 42049 or email your request to greenplaincoc@gmail.com.
- "Don't put a question mark where God put a period."
- "God promises a safe landing, not a calm passage."
- "Man's way leads to a hopeless end. God's way leads to an endless hope."
- "We don't change God's message. His message changes us."

Those to Serve November 2021

Announcements—Bobby Hall

Preside at Lord's Table—Chad Canter & Mike Ernstberger

Lord's Table PM: 7-Chad; 14-Mike; 21-Chad; 28-Mike

Opening Prayer AM: 7-James Pigg; 14-Larry Enoch; 21-Jim Lowrie; 28-Bobby Hall

Closing Prayer AM: 7-Jesse Vincent; 14-Junior Morris; 21-Roy Wyatt; 28-David Thompson

<u>Song Leaders:</u> AM-Perry Jarvis; PM-Mike Ernstberger; Wed: Chad Canter

Count Contribution: Mike & Chad Usher: Jesse

LESSONS TODAY

Bible Study-10 AM
The Book of Acts
Worship

10:45 am— "What Is A Christian?"

6 pm— "Things For Which I Am Thankful"

Wednesday Bible Class
A Study of 1 John

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has been sent to the Gentiles, and they will hear it!" Contrary to the claims of the Mormons, the "other sheep" of whom Jesus spoke refers to the Gentiles who received the gospel as recorded in the book of Acts.

The Book of Mormon contains several clear contradictions to the teaching of the Bible. In the Book of Mormon, Alma 7:10 says that the Son of God was to be born in Jerusalem. Of course the Bible teaches that the Son of God was born in Bethlehem (Matthew 1:21) In fulfillment of prophecy (Micah 5:2).

The Book of Mormon states that an angel announced to the prophet Samuel that at the death of Jesus the whole earth would experience three days of darkness (Helaman 14:27). According to the Book of Mormon this prediction came true (3 Nephi 8:3, 20-

23; 10:9). Yet, the Bible clearly shows that there were three hours of darkness prior to the death of Jesus (Matthew 27:45). Now both cannot be true. How then can those who accept the Book of Mormon also claim to believe the Bible?

The Book of Mormon contradicts the Bible, not just in these two instances, but many other times as well. The Book of Mormon originated in the mind of Joseph Smith not in the mind of God. It is of human production, <u>not</u> the result of divine inspiration.

The Bible and the Bible alone is the revelation of God's will revealed to man by the inspiration of the Holy Spirit (2 Tim. 3:16-17; 2 Peter 1:20-21). The Bible is God's plan to save you and me from our sins and give us the hope of everlasting life. Let us study, learn and obey its every precept.

THE DECISION

The decision has been made. The conditions have been obeyed. I am a Christian. I belong to Jesus. I won't look back, let up, slow down, back away or be still. My past is redeemed, my present makes sense, and my future is secure. I'm finished and done with the low living, sight walking, smooth knees, colorless dreams, tame vision, mundane talking, stingy giving, and small goals.

I no longer need a place of importance, position, promotion, popularity, or worldly wealth. I don't have to be right, first, tops, praised, regarded, or rewarded. I now live in the present, walk by faith, wait with patience, lift by prayer, and labor by power. My face is set. My gait is fast. My goal is Heaven. My road is narrow. My way is rough. My companions are few. But my God is reliable, and my mission is clear. I cannot be bought, compromised, detoured, lured away, turned back, deluded, or delayed. I

will not flinch in the face of sacrifice, hesitate in the presence of adversity, or meander in the maze of mediocrity. I won't give up, shut up, or let up until I have prayed up, paid up, and preached up for the cause of Christ.

The decision has been made. The conditions have been obeyed. I am a New Testament Christian. I belong to Jesus. I must go until He comes, give till I drop, preach till all know, and work till He stops me. And when He comes for His own, He will have no problem recognizing me.

~Adapted from an Unknown Author via Ripley church of Christ, Ripely, TN

"Fight the good fight of faith, lay hold on eternal life, to which you were also called and have confessed the good confession in the presence of many witnesses." - 1 Timothy Page 4 Green Plain Proclaimer

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641 - Near the corner of the Green Plain and Murray Paris Roads. We look forward to seeing you!

A warm and friendly welcome awaits!

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THE FICKLENESS OF THE MASSES By Justin Paschall

In Acts 14, Paul and Barnabas entered Lystra. Paul healed a man who had been crippled from birth unable to use his feet. The crowds upon seeing this miracle began to attempt to worship Paul and Barnabas as gods. The priest in the pagan temple of Zeus even came to offer sacrifices to them. Of course Paul and Barnabas didn't seek such worship and instead tried to redirect the focus of the people to God and Jesus.

The text records that "they scarcely restrained the people from offering sacrifice to them." In the next paragraph, Jews came from neighboring towns and stirred up the crowd to the point that they stoned Paul, presumably, to death. Those who were just trying to sacrifice to him were now seeking his death.

And such is the fickleness of the masses.

If you are taking your cues for what is

acceptable or not from the world, good luck. It is an ever -moving goal post! It is a standard that shifts and changes depending on how the wind is blowing.

If you are looking for acceptance and confirmation in the masses of the world, good luck. They will praise you on Monday, throw you under the bus on Tuesday, and then completely forget about you by Wednesday.

Such is the fickleness of the masses.

Instead, why not take your cues from a standard that does not change - the Word of God? Why not look for acceptance and confirmation from the God who doesn't change?

"Forever, O LORD, your word is firmly fixed in the heavens" (Psalms 119:89).

"Jesus Christ is the same yesterday and today and forever" (Hebrews 13:8).

-The Ripely Beacon

WHAT MUST I DO TO BE SAVED?

- ♦ HEAR the good news of salvation—Romans 10:17
- BELIEVE Jesus Christ is the Son of God who died for your sins—John 8:24; MK 16:16
- ♦ REPENT of your sins—Acts 17:30-31.
- CONFESS your faith in Jesus Christ—
 Matthew 10:32-33; Rom. 10:9-10.
- BE BAPTIZED for the remission of your sins—Acts 2:38; 22:16; Gal. 3:27
- Live FAITHFUL as a Christian—Rev. 2:10.

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