



# 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

### Elders

- Mike Ernstberger  
270-753-2108 Home  
270-293-7027 Cell
- James Pigg  
270-759-2145 Home  
270-293-2319 Cell

### Deacons

- Bobby Hall
- Jesse Vincent

### Preacher

- Jonnie Hutchison  
Cell: 270-978-7569

### Supporting Works

India—Dale Foster, David  
Nance, & Ronnie Gootam;  
MSOP—Eli Sales  
BIM—Duston Pool.  
Hatti/Cuba: Arnold Gerson

### Location

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## DOES OBEDIENCE ANNUL GRACE? By Jonnie Hutchison

There is much misunderstanding as to exactly who is a Christian. Many believe that anyone who accepts that Jesus Christ is the Son of God automatically, at that point in time, becomes a Christian. However, James 2:19 states that *“the devils also believe, and tremble.”* Surely none would argue that believing demons are Christians just because they believe in Christ. According to Bible teaching, a Christian is one who not only has believed in Jesus Christ but has submitted in obedience to the will of Christ. Jesus said, *“Not everyone who says to me, Lord, Lord, shall enter into the kingdom of heaven, but he who does the will of my Father in heaven”* (Matthew 7:21). Doing the will of the Father is synonymous with obeying His will. The book of Hebrews states that Jesus is *“the author of eternal salvation unto all them that obey Him”* (Hebrews 5:9). Is He the author of eternal salvation to those who refuse to obey Him?

Submission in obedience to the revealed will of Christ in the New Testament is not an ex-

ercise of human merit. It is, rather, an exercise of faith. The faith that saves is the faith that obeys. Consider the events recorded in Acts chapter two. When those who had been convicted of sin asked, *“Men and brethren what shall we do?”* Peter’s inspired answer was *“Repent and be baptized everyone of you in the name of Jesus Christ for the remission of sins, and ye shall receive the gift of the Holy Ghost”* (Acts 2:37-38). Was the obedience of this command a means of “earning salvation” for the three thousand who did so? When Peter in verse forty declared, *“save yourselves from this untoward generation”* was he dispensing with God’s grace? No indeed! Submission to the commands of Christ in no way annuls the grace of God but rather appropriates it! God in His grace offers to all the FREE GIFT of salvation (Titus 2:11-12). However, that which separates the recipients of the gift from others is the exercise of their faith in obedience to what God commands for salvation. We are saved by grace (God’s part)

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## NEWS AND NOTES

**REMEMBER IN PRAYER:** *Green Plain members:* Peggy Jarvis, Maxine Pool, Jim Fielder, Mary Lowrie, Hayes and Margorie Grady.

**Family and Friends:** Ted Lovett, Jerry Lovett, Teresa Tacker, Kenneth Mizell, Dale Pentecost, Brett Wyatt, Roger Rhoades, Joel White, Nat Evans, Larry and Rose Wyatt. Bonnie Byerly, Kenny Arrington, Tommy Boggess, Tish Clarke and Deb Ahart. Please continue to pray for our brethren in Ukraine. Remember those this congregation is supporting in India.

**SPECIAL EVENT:** The family of Ann and David Thompson will host a celebration of their **70th wedding anniversary** on Saturday November 12, 2022 from 2:00 to 4:00 pm in the annex at the Green Plain building. Light refreshments will be served. This is a come and go affair and gifts are not requested, just the presence of family, friends and brothers and sisters in Christ.



**SATURDAY  
NOVEMBER 7TH  
IN THE ANNEX  
6:00 PM**

**TODAY** Jim Lowrie will present the morning lesson. At our evening services we will praise God in song.

**PANTRY ITEMS August 2022:** 2—Peaches; 9—Corn; 16—Soups; 23—Syrup; 30—Kool-Aid.

**October 2022 Anniversaries:** None. **Birthdays:** 8-Jim Fielder; 18- Perry Jarvis; 29- Bobby Hall; Please let us know if we have left anyone out.

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### THOSE TO SERVE OCTOBER 2022

Announcements—James Pigg

Preside at Lord's Table—Bobby & Mike

Lord's Table PM: 2-Bobby; 9-Mike; 16-Bobby;

23-Mike; 30-Bobby

#### Opening Prayer AM

2-Jonnie; 9-Chad; 16-James; 23-Jim L.; 30-Mike

#### Closing Prayer AM

2-Perry; 9-Dave; 16-Junior; 23-Roy; 30-Jesse

#### Song Leaders

AM- Perry; PM-Chad; Wed-Mike

Count Contribution: Bobby and Mike

**Thanks for Serving!**

### **SCHOOL OF BIBLICAL STUDIES**

**Eight consecutive  
Mondays**

**Sept. 19-Nov. 7, 2022**

**7:00-9:00 PM**

**(Meet in the Annex)**

**Larry Powers**

**"Church History"**

**Jack Philips**

**"2 Corinthians"**

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through faith (man's part) as clearly stated in Ephesians 2:8-9.

God has never spiritually blessed the disobedient. The Bible says that Jesus will come with His "mighty angels, in flaming fire taking vengeance on them that know not God, and that **OBEY NOT** the gospel of our Lord Jesus Christ" (2 Thess. 1:7-8).

### Do We Love Christ?

#### To Love Christ Is To Love ...

- **His COMMANDS.** "If ye love me, keep my commandments" (John 14:15). We must be willing to listen to what Christ says in His Word so that we can learn His Will and be able to live in harmony with His commands (Matthew 17:4-5; 11:28-30; 2 Thessalonians 1:7-10).
- **His CHURCH** (Ephesians 5:23-27). His church is the body of Christ (Ephesians 1:22-23); the family of God (Ephesians 3:14-15); the house of God (1 Timothy 3:14-15); the kingdom (Matthew 16:18-19) and the saved (Acts 2:47). If we obey His commands (John 8:24; Luke 13:3; Matthew 10:32-33; Mark 16:16; Acts 2:38) He will forgive us of sin

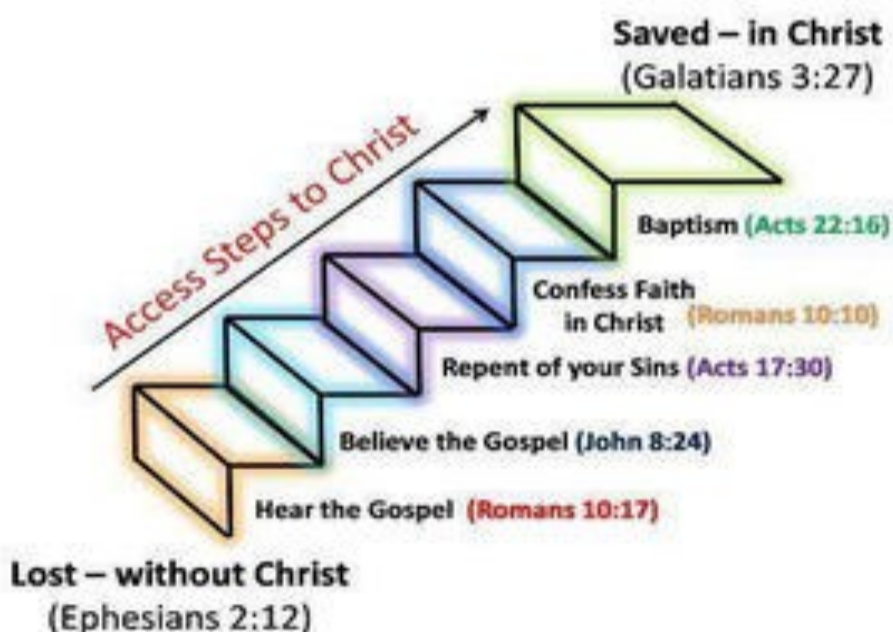
Dear reader: have you obeyed the gospel? Have you submitted yourself in obedience to what the Lord requires for your salvation from sin? If not, or, if you are not sure, please contact us and let us help you to be certain. God in His grace provides the way. If you would receive the benefits of His grace you will gladly exercise your faith to obey His will today.

and add us to His church (Acts 2:47).

- **His COMING AGAIN** (John 14:1-3). When He comes again, one of the things that will occur will be the great Day of Judgment (Acts 17:30-31). On that day we will either receive eternal punishment or life eternal (Matthew 25:46).

To love Christ is to love His commands, His church and His coming again. If we love His commands we will obey them. If we love His church we will become a member. If we love His coming again we will make preparation for it. **Do We Love Christ?**

-- Jerry Joseph St. Peter's church of Christ bulletin (MO).



### WHAT DOES GOD SEE WHEN HE LOOKS AT OUR WORLD?

"God looks down from heaven upon the children of men, To see if there are any who understand, who seek God. Every one of them has turned aside; They have together become corrupt; There is none who does good, No, not one."  
**Psalm 53:2-3**



**COME VISIT WITH US**

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A warm and friendly welcome awaits!

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**Bible Study**



**SUNDAY MORNING BIBLE CLASS 10:00 AM**  
"The Book of Acts"

**SUNDAY AM WORSHIP 10:45**  
Jim Lowrie

**SUNDAY PM WORSHIP 6:00**  
5th Sunday Singing

**WEDNESDAY 7:00 PM**  
"A Study of the Minor Prophets"

**MONDAY 7-9 PM**  
School of Biblical Studies

"Lord, make me to know my end, And what is the measure of my days, That I may know how frail I am." (Psalms 39:4)

**NEW WEEKLY PODCAST**

**"Around the Spiritual Table"**

In the Around the Spiritual Table Podcast, we will discuss various Bible topics and answer your Biblical and spiritual questions. To submit a topic or question for discussion, please email [spiritualtable101@gmail.com](mailto:spiritualtable101@gmail.com). Come sit around the spiritual table with us.

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**Q & A**

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