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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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- Bobby Hall
- Jesse Vincent

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WHERE ARE YOU SPIRITUALLY?

By Jonnie Hutchison

Most of us know our physical location. As you read this article you may be at home, at work, or some other physical location. But **do you know where you are spiritually?**

According to the Bible there are only **two spiritual locations** for every person.

Jesus used the figure of travelling a path or road to describe the spiritual location of people. He said, *“Enter by the narrow gate; for wide is the gate and broad is the way that leads to destruction, and there are many who go in by it. Because narrow is the gate and difficult is the way which leads to life, and there are few who find it”* (Matthew 7:13-14). So, what is your spiritual location? Are you on the broad way that leads to spiritual destruction or the narrow way that leads to eternal life? Right now you are walking either one or the other of those paths. Maybe you are not sure which path you are walking. A careful and diligent study of

the Word of God will tell you which path you are traveling. Dear friend, you do not want to be on the broad way that leads to destruction! Choose the narrow way that leads to eternal life.

Where are you spiritually? Are you separated from God or have you been reconciled to Him? These are the only two alternatives. Sin separates one from God (Isaiah 59:1-2). The Bible teaches, *“For the wages of sin is death....”* (Romans 6:23a). Sin separates from God but the sinner’s location can be changed by being reconciled back to God through the forgiveness of sin. It is only through Jesus Christ and His shed blood that one may be reconciled to God. Romans 5:8-10 reads. *“But God demonstrates His own love toward us, in that while we were still sinners, Christ died for us. Much more then, having now been justified by His blood, we shall be saved from wrath through Him. For if when*

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NEWS AND NOTES

REMEMBER IN PRAYER: Green Plain members: Peggy Jarvis , Maxine Pool, Jim Fielder, Hayes and Marjorie Grady, Marie Wyatt and Jim Lowrie.

Family and Friends: Ted Lovett, Jerry Lovett, Teresa Tacker, Dale Pentecost, Brett Wyatt, Bonnie Byerly, Tommy Boggess, David Lemmons, Kim Burrows, and Lucetria Hutchison.

SCHOOL OF BIBLICAL STUDIES continues tomorrow evening at 7:00 pm. If you have not attended any of these classes, it's not too late to profit from those that remain. This class will continue each Monday through November 13th.

TENATIVE TIME CHANGE: The elders are considering changing the time of Sunday evening services from 6:00 pm to **2:00 pm** for the months of December through March. Please let them know how you view this possible change. Thanks.

ENROLL IN A FREE BIBLE CORRESPONDENCE 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.

HOME BIBLE STUDY; Request a **FREE** home Bible study—“*Back to the Bible*” for anyone who is interested in gaining more knowledge of the Bible. Contact us to set up a time for our teachers to come into your home or meet at our building to begin this study.

PANTRY ITEMS November 2023: 5—Apple Sauce; 12-Peanut Butter; 19-Peas; 26-Corn. All items must be **non-perishable or canned.**

November 2023; Anniversaries: 1st— Ann & Dave Thompston (71); 13-Jane & Brent Morris; 17-Debbie & Mike Ernstberger. **Birthdays:** 15-Jonnie Hutchison.. Did we miss anyone? Please let us know.

THSE TO SERVE November 2023

Announcements: Chad Canter

Table AM: Roy Wyatt & Junior Morris

Table PM: 5-Roy; 12-Junior; 9-Junior; 26-Roay

Opening Prayer AM: 5-Jonnie; 12-Bobby
119-James; 26-Jim

Closing Prayer AM: 5-Mike; 12-Dave; 19-Jesse
26-Chad

Song Leaders: AM-Perry; PM-Chad; Wed-Mike

Count Contribution: Roy & Junior

If you cannot serve contact Chad Canter

Fall Session School of Biblical Studies



September 18-November 13

Each Monday 7:00—9:00 pm

Everyone Is Invited!

Romans—Josh Manning

Daniel—Luke Puckett

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*we were enemies we were **reconciled to God** through the death of His Son, much more, having been **reconciled**, we shall be saved by His life.*” So, what is your spiritual location? Are you separated from God or have you been reconciled back to Him?

What is your spiritual location? Are you **“in Christ”** or **out of Christ**? Romans 3:24 reads, “being justified freely by His grace through the redemption that is **in Christ Jesus.**” Where is redemption? Not **out of Christ** but **“in Christ Jesus.”** Where is salvation? *“Therefore I endure all things for the sake of the elect, that they also may obtain **the salvation which is in Christ Jesus** with eternal glory.”* (2 Timothy 2:10). Where is the promise of life? *“Greeting Paul, an apostle of Jesus Christ by the will of God, according to **the promise of life which is in Christ Jesus**”* (2 Timothy 1:1). Where are all spiritual blessings? Ephesians 1:3 answers, *“Blessed be the God and Father of our Lord Jesus Christ, who has blessed us with **every spiritual blessing in the heavenly places in Christ.**”* Where is eternal life located? “For the wages of sin is death, but the gift of God is **eternal life in Christ Jesus our Lord**” (Romans 6:23). Dear reader, are you **IN CHRIST**? If not, you have not been saved, or redeemed. You

do not have the promise of eternal life or access to all spiritual blessings. If you are outside of Christ you need to change your spiritual location. How do you do that? There is only one command in the New Testament which, when obeyed, puts one **into Christ**. As a penitent confessing believer, one must be immersed in water (baptized) into Christ. The Bible tells us in Romans 6:3-4, “Or do you not know that as many of us as were **baptized into Christ Jesus** were baptized into His death? Therefore we were buried with Him through baptism into death, that just as Christ was raised from the dead by the glory of the Father, even so we also should walk in newness of life.” Again the Bible tells us in Galatians 3:27, “For as many of you as were **baptized into Christ** have put on Christ.”

Dear reader, Where are you spiritually? Knowing where you are makes the difference in eternity. Are you walking the broad way or the narrow way? Are you separated or reconciled? Are you “in Christ” or out of Christ? Does your spiritual location need to change? Change it without delay by accepting and obeying the gospel of Christ. May we help? Contact us for more information or to set up a time to study the Bible with us. May God bless you as you seek His truth!

A PWERFUL ENEMY *By Jon Wright*

The world at large has been opposed to God's will since creation. In the days of the patriarchs people rebelled against God. In the Mosaic age, folk fought against God's law. When Christ walked the earth, most people around Him were His enemies. Today,

in the age of the Lord's church, the same rule applies, except to a greater degree. The world is a greater enemy of the child of God than ever before. It has power over Christians because of its favors, riches, honors, re-

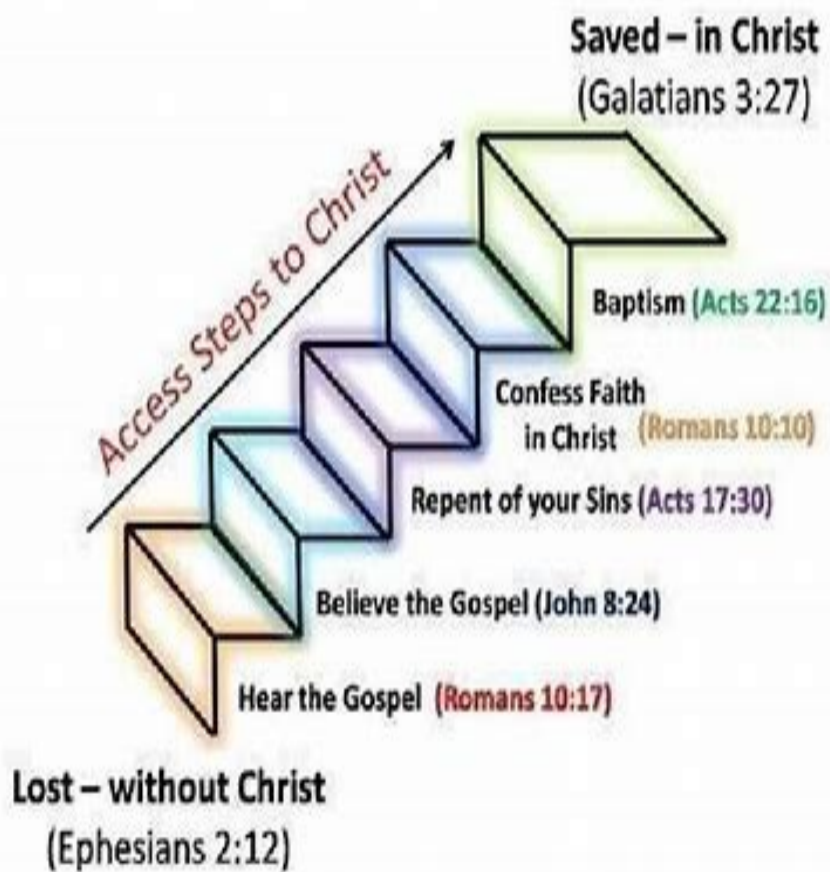
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wards and stronger methods of tempting than ever before. It is a more dangerous enemy because it has lost its appearance of being an enemy, posing as an angel of light. Therefore, people do not fear it, and instead give themselves over to be ruled by it. The power wielded by Satan in today's world has greater impact than the fire and fury of persecutions in New Testament days. Peter, in 1 Peter 5:8 describes the dilemma as Satan being a roaring lion seeking someone to devour. Temptation is not getting less. Wickedness is not getting less, but is growing and getting more powerful every day.

—[Article Collection #1](http://ArticleCollection#1) (woodbinecc.org)

“Then the LORD saw that the wickedness of man was great in the earth, and that every intent of the thoughts of his heart was only evil continually.” -Genesis 6:5



COME VISIT WITH US

The church building is located southeast of Murray one mile off highway 641 - Near the corner of the Green Plain and Murray Paris Roads. We look forward to seeing you!

Bible Study Opportunities

SUNDAY MORNING BIBLE CLASS 10:00 AM
Study of Matthew

SUNDAY AM WORSHIP 10:45
“Using What We Have”

SUNDAY PM WORSIP 6:00
“Do You Have A Guardian Angel?”

Wednesday 7:00 pm
Study of Premillennialism



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