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## Schedule of Services

- Bible Classes 10 am
- Worship 10:50 am  
and 6:00 pm
- Wednesday Bible  
Study 7:00 pm

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## STILL TRYING TO HIDE FROM GOD

By Alan Adams

*And my God shall supply all your need according to His riches in glory by Christ Jesus.* Philippians 4:19

We all need hope in life. Many times, we face challenges which leave us wondering if we stand any chance of success. In times like these, an oft repeated proverb is that “Where there’s a will, there’s a way.” While this flows from the tongue quite easily, if we take an honest look at how our lives work, we all have faced situations where despite our will, things simply did not break our way. This is no cause to give up hope and sink into despair. It is a cause to rethink the proverb, and as we have done here, reword it.

Job faced perhaps the darkest circumstances I have ever considered. When we read of the losses he suffered, it is remarkable that he did not lose his faith. While there were times when he began to question God, and think He was mistaken about Job’s righteousness (**Job 10**), in the end he remained faithful to God. After God reminded Job that He alone is wise (**Job 38-41**), Job came to the needed realization to overcome

his plight. In **Job 42:2**, Job correctly assessed, “I know that You can do everything, and that no purpose of Yours can be withheld from You.” This is precisely the understanding Job needed in his time of distress. At the end of the day, he learned that trusting God when it makes no earthly sense is the answer to overcoming every troublesome issue in life. It was obvious that Job’s will could not provide the way. There was a will, but there was no way it could prevail. In the end, Job is recompensed many times over (**Job 42:12-16**). No doubt the pain of losing his children never left him, but he came to recognize that there are things beyond the pale of human wisdom which only God knows. We all must learn to trust God even when from our finite, earthly vantage point it makes no sense at all. Though this is not an easy answer to life’s battles, it is the only reasonable answer to conclude.

While our situation may be impossible on our part, God is able to deliver us from such circumstances. His word never fails

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## NEWS AND NOTES

**REMEMBER IN PRAYER: Green Plain members:** Faye Travis, Peggy Jarvis, Joanne Barnes, Maxine Pool, Hayes and Marjorie Grady, Jim Fielder, Griselda Adams, Larry Enoch, Steve Enoch, Carolyn Byars, Mary and Jim Lowrie and Mary and Jesse Vincent.

**Family and Friends:** Teresa Tacker, Betty Pond, Bryan White, Kenneth Mizell, Dale Pentecost, Brett Wyatt and Charlotte Parker. Please let us know of those who have improved or any one who needs to be added to this list.

- **COVID INFO:** As our elders announced last Wednesday, with the increase in Covid cases in our county it is recommended to wear masks in entering and departing the assembly, especially if you have not taken the Covid vaccine. Let us consider one another's safety and act accordingly.
- **PANTRY ITEMS August 2021:** 1—Toothpaste; 8—Body Wash; 15—Kleenex; 22—Paper Towels; 29—Deodorant 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.
- **August 2021 Anniversaries:** 13—Gail & Jonnie Hutchison . **Birthdays:** 4-Teresa Enoch; 10-Brent Morris. Please let us know if we have left anyone out.
- **ENROLL IN A FREE BIBLE CORRESPONDENCE COURSE.** Send your name and complete mailing address and phone number to the address on the first page of this bulletin.
- **UPCOMING LOCAL EVENTS:**  
Fall Gospel Meeting with Alan Adams, September 12-16, 2021. **School of Biblical Studies** will be conducted each Monday evening 7-9 pm, September 20—November 8, 2021. Larry Powers will teach "Church History" and Jack Phillips will teach "2 Corinthians".
- *"The Lord looks down from heaven upon the children of men, To see if there are any who understand, who seek God." Psalm 14:2.*



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## LESSONS AUGUST 8th

**AM Bible Study—  
*The Book of Acts***

**AM—*Faithfulness***

**PM—*Characteristics  
of Love***

**Wednesday Bible Class  
*The Book of Titus***

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**(Isaiah 55:10-11)**, and in the end that which is impossible for men, is possible for God **(Matthew 19:26)**. Though the reward may not be enjoyed in this earthly life, we have the privilege to store up treasures in heaven **(Matthew 6:19-21)**. While not everything we will in this life will come to fruition, it is often the case in retrospect we learn that God's will was better for us in the long run anyway. The key is to focus our wills on things above, not on things of this earth **(Colossians 3:1-4)**.

This may be easier said than done, but if we learn to do this, the promised reward will never fail nor be taken from us

**(Philippians 3:20-21; 1 Peter 1:3-12; 1 John 3:1-2)**. In all three of these texts, the call from the apostle is to let the promises propel us to victory over our adversary **(Philippians 4:1; 1 Peter 1:13-17; 1 John 3:3)**. Those who hear His voice can never be plucked from His hand **(John 10:27-29)**. So, we echo Paul's sentiment concerning his ability to remain faithful in any circumstance: *"I can do all things through Christ who strengthens me"* **(Philippians 4:13)**. In short, where there's His will, there most certainly is a way **(Philippians 4:19)**.

—Elizabethton church of Christ (TN).

## IS THERE A GOD? *By jonnie Hutchison*

The ranks of those who would answer "no" to this question seem to be growing daily. Many in the so-called "millennial generation" have scorned both God and organized religion as irrelevant to their lives. The Bible is viewed as just another production of deluded men with little to offer in either knowledge or guidance. Man's existence is viewed as a chance occurrence - the product of the "big bang" and organic evolution rather than the result of God's special creation. Consider the following: If God does not exist, then how does one explain the existence of morality in humans? Among all the creatures upon the face of the earth, man alone recognizes the difference between right and wrong. Man, alone has a built-in sense of what is moral and what is immoral. Animals act not by a sense of morality but merely by instinct. Man is an intelligent being with the ability to reason and make decisions based upon knowledge. Animals have no such capability. The evolutionary process cannot explain the existence of morality in man. But the Bible does. *"And God said, 'Let Us make man in Our image and according to Our likeness....'"* (Genesis 1:26). Since God is not

physical but is Spirit (John 4:24), then man is made in the spiritual image of God which explains why man is a moral being. Only man has an "inward man" (spiritual) and an "outward man" (physical). (Romans 7:22; 2 Corinthians 4:16). The spiritual part of man gives him that sense of morality which is characteristic of His Creator. The conscience has been defined as "the part of the mind that makes you aware of your actions as being morally right or wrong" (Merriam Webster). Is there any other creature other than man who possesses a conscience? No. But if man is the product of organic evolution would it not be the case that lower life-forms, from which man supposedly evolved, should at least have some lesser developed sense of morality? Yet, such is not the case.

The "theory" of evolution, has never been scientifically proven as fact. That is why it is still just a theory. We are seeing in our generation the result of years of our children being exposed to an unproven theory which is taught as fact, but has no actual basis in fact. No wonder so many no longer believe in the existence of God. *"For since the creation of*

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### 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!

A warm and friendly welcome awaits!

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*the world His invisible attributes are clearly seen, being understood by the things that are made, even His eternal power and Godhead, so that they are without excuse, because, although they knew God, they did not glorify Him as God, nor were thankful, but became futile in their thoughts, and their foolish hearts were darkened.... Therefore, God also gave them up to uncleanness, in the lusts of their hearts, to dishonor their bodies among*

*themselves, who exchanged the truth of God for the lie, and worshiped and served the creature rather than the Creator, who is blessed forever. Amen.” (Romans 1:20-25).*

Dear reader, please give these thoughts some serious consideration. Stick to the facts and do not allow yourself to fall for the unproven evolutionary hype like so many others have. May God bless you as you seek His truth!

*-More articles like this are available on*

Study to shew thyself  
 approved unto God...  
 2 Timothy 2:15

### **THOSE TO SERVE JAUGUST 2021**

**Announcements:** Mike Ernstberger **Lord's Supper AM:** Bobby Hall and Larry Enoch

**Lord's Supper PM** 4-Bobby Hall | 1-Larry Enoch; 2|8-Bobby; 25-Larry

**Opening Prayer AM:** 4-Charles Enoch; | 1| 1-Chad Canter; | 8-James Pigg 25-Jim Lowrie.

**Closing Prayer AM:** 4-Perry Jarvis; | 1-Mike Ernstberger; | 8-Junior Morris; 25-Roy Wyatt

**Song Leaders: AM-**Perry Jarvis; **PM-** Mike Ernstberger; **Wednesday-**Chad Canter

**Usher:** Chad Canter; **Count Contribution:** Bobby Hall and Larry Enoch