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Sundays: 11 a.m., 3:30 p.m., 6 p.m.

Services:

Sunday

Bible Classes: 10 a.m.

Worship Assembly: 11 a.m. & 6 p.m.

Wednesday

Bible Classes: 7 p.m.

July 7, 2013

To our visitors, we want you to know that we are honored by your being with us today. We welcome any questions you may have. All materials that you see are free of charge and if there is any other information you would like, we will be happy to provide it.

WORKS WE SUPPORT

John Shafer, Foreign Evangelism

Peter and Pooi Fun Chin, Four Seas College of Bible & Missions, Singapore

"Seek The Old Paths"

Chuck Northrop, Bible Institute of Missouri (Instructor)

Billy Daugherty III, Memphis School of Preaching (Student)

Dustin McCrickard, Bible Institute of Missouri (Student)

Phillip Vanwinkle, Kuala Lumpur, Malaysia

Kent Eakins, Hermitage, MO

Scott Klaf, Mt. Pleasant, MI

"Whom Do You Serve?" Television Program

"Bible Questions with Bible Answers" Television Program

UPCOMING SERMONS

SUNDAY AM

July 7	It is essential!
July 14	The Bible only
July 21	Kent Eakins
July 28	Harrison Morgan
Aug. 4	The rule book
Aug. 11	Harrison Morgan
Aug. 18	One is as good as another???
Aug. 25	Church discipline

SUNDAY PM

July 7	What happens when I die? (425)
July 14	There is but one right (426)
July 21	Almost persuaded (427)
July 28	Be prepared (428)

PRAYER REQUESTS

Nancy Pardon, Pete Darling, Rusty Darling, Phyllis Darling, Raymond Heinz, Teresa Heinz, Carolyn Jensen, Margaret Coats, Doug McArthur, Cheryl Akers, Kathy Briggs, Robert Van Alstine, Jewel Warfield, Ed Warfield, Bill Arnold, Marilyn Smith, Carol Wilson, Lillian's brother, Tom's mother, Todd Grant

READING OF SCRIPTURE:

AM: 1 Pet. 3:18-21 **PM:** Lk. 16:19-23

MARK YOUR CALENDARS:

July 7 – Song leading training at 4:45 p.m.

Upcoming Events:

July 29 – Aug. 3 – Ingham County Fair Booth

Sept. 27 – Seminar at Webberville (Michael Golwitzer – “Reliability of the New Testament”)

Dec. 27 – Seminar at Webberville (Scott Klaft – “What are we coming to? – A study of Heb. 11,12”)

KENT EAKINS: Kent, whom we support in his work in Hermitage, MO, will be with us on Sunday, July 21st. He will teach the Sunday AM class and bring the lesson in the morning.

TAKE A STAND

Charles Coats

“...and having done all, to stand” (Eph. 6:13). These words should motivate us to evaluate the kind of people we are. Too many people wish to be left alone and not have to stand for or against anything. When pressed, they choose a neutral ground not willing to be held to one position or the other.

Sometimes, when we are in a discussion with a person who cannot seem to make up his mind about something, we finally just look at them and say “Would you make up your mind? Just tell me where you stand on this issue?” We want people to make up their minds as to what they believe and then stand up for what they believe.

As Christians, we should not have any problem standing for the truth. We should boldly proclaim the message (Acts 4:29) and be set for the defense of the gospel (Phil. 1:17). We are instructed, yea commanded, to be no longer tossed to and from with every wind of doctrine (Eph. 4:15).

Two statements in 1 Cor. 16:13 help us to understand our responsibility in this matter. First, we see “stand fast in the faith”. This is a statement that teaches us to never waver, always holding firmly to the word of God. The second statement is “quit you like men”, that is, to act like men. Mature individuals take a stand. They are not like children who are still trying to understand who they are. They have grown in Christ (2 Pet. 3:18) to a solid faith in God.

In Gal. 5:1, Paul teaches the brethren to stand fast. He teaches them to not go back to the things they had left. Sadly, by verse 7, he has to chastise them because they had fallen away from God (see also verse 4). Today, far too many Christians have gone the way of the Galatians and have failed to take a firm stand with Christ and have fallen back into the world.

When we think of our own lives today, are we willing to make a stand even when it is unpopular or will cause us great grief? How many Christians today will oppose sin in every form even if it is their children who are involved in the sin? How many Christians will take a stand against their friends?

In the end, when we stand before the Judgment Seat, how shallow our reasoning will sound when we have to give an answer as to why we did not stand faithful to God in all things in all situations with all people!!!