

# Tidings From Timothy

**T**onight we are studying angels. If you have not been coming to the evening services, why not take this opportunity to set a goal of getting some in-depth Bible knowledge on an important topic.

**Copier Working!** Sorry about the problems with the format of the bulletin and how many we had the past 2 weeks, we had copier problems. It now seems to be working well.

**Bible Bowl team formation:** We need to start getting teams formed for the Bible bowl. They need to be teams of 4 and they have classes for little ones who want to come as well. This will be at the Westside church of Christ in Livingston on March 2. Teachers in our Sunday School and Wednesday classes can help get me names of any interested in going please.

**In Need of Prayer:** Garmon Rhoten is in the local hospital. We are saddened at the passing of Ila Mae Harrison. Her funeral is this afternoon, 2pm, at Yokely-Trible. Food group 3 has this funeral. Rosie Coe, a resident of the nursing home, is in the local and hospital and in need of prayers.

**A Note: Today the ladies from middle school age and up need to meet briefly about the upcoming Ladies Day .**

Another Note: Isn't the new layout of the Barnabas Board and Bulletin Board great! Thanks to Jim Stoops and Larry Copas for this.

## Halting Between Two Opinions

**S**omeone else states, "When I understand all the mysteries of God, then I will obey the gospel." Man will never be able to master God's book. However, God's plan of human redemption can be easily understood and obeyed. We have everything that pertains to life and godliness (2 Peter 1:3). We have the inspired Scriptures which are "...profitable for doctrine, for reproof, for correction, for instruction in

*righteousness*" (2 Timothy 3:16). We need to obey God's commands now, and then continue to study His marvelous book that we might learn and grow. And then someone says, "Just as soon as the church gets right, I will become a Christian." There have always been hypocrites in the church and in every other area of life. Jesus chose twelve apostles. One of them betrayed Him, one denied him and one doubted. One hypocrite in the church is too many. But remember, that in order for me to hide behind a hypocrite, the hypocrite must be bigger than I am. We must not allow the other person's inconsistencies and sins to keep us from obeying God.

Still others say, "I'm waiting to obey the gospel because I am not fit to go to heaven." A parallel situation would be for a man who hadn't eaten in a long time saying, "I'm not fit to eat because my hands are dirty." Could this individual not get fit to eat? Would he say, "I am not fit to wash" (to get fit to eat)? God gave His Son to die for all because He "so loved" us (John 3:16). Paul, the chiefest of sinners, was saved by doing the Lord's bidding (1 Tim. 1:15). Paul informs us, "*But God commendeth his love toward us, in that, while we were yet sinners, Christ died for us.*" (Romans 5:8) On Pentecost, Peter accused his audience of crucifying the Lord. When they were "pricked in their heart" by the message and asked, "Men and brethren, what shall we do?" Peter did not respond by saying, "There is nothing you can do. You are not fit to go to heaven." Instead, Peter replied, "*Repent, and be baptized every one of you in the name of Jesus Christ for the remission of sins, and ye shall receive the gift of the Holy Ghost.*" (Acts 2:38) No matter how sinful you are, you too can get fit to go to heaven if you will repent of your sins and become obedient to the will of Christ.

Someone else replies, "I am halting between two opinions and I will obey the gospel just as soon as I get some better terms." How could anyone seek better terms than those already available? Christ died for us while we were sinners (Romans 5:8); His blood was shed for remission of our sins (Matt. 26:28); our sins were carried to the cross on the shoulders of the sinless Son of God. Rest is offered to those troubled by sin (2 Thess. 1:7). The invitation of our Saviour is issued to all (Rev. 3:20; Matt. 11:28; Rev. 22:17). A mansion is prepared for us (John 14). How could anyone want better terms?

Finally, someone says, "I will obey the gospel as soon as I know that I have enough faith to see me through, so I know I can live the Christian life without sin." A child, beginning to walk, falls down. But, he gets up and tries again. He doesn't say, "I will never begin to walk until I know I will never fall." A steam engine only needs enough steam to get started. When away from home, I cannot see my house. But, I have enough faith to start toward it. Do you have enough faith to start? Obey the gospel today. Then ask God for strength as you grow in His service that you might remain faithful and have heaven as your home. Do not delay!

--Paul M. Wilmoth, Edited for use in **Mt. Gilead bulletin--**

Hayden	Froedge	02/09
John Reece	Lyons	02/09

***What must I do?***

- **Hear the Gospel - Acts 15:7**
- **Believe the Gospel - Mark 16:15,16**
- **Repent of Sins - Acts 17:30**
- **Confess Christ - Rom. 10:9,10**
- **Be Baptized for the Forgiveness of Sins - Acts 2:38**

Then, as a Christian we must:

- **LIVE FAITHFUL UNTO DEATH - REV. 2:10**

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**Birthdays:**

Halee Jo	Deckard	02/03
Heather	Ford	02/03
Brad	Harlan	02/04
Juanita	McPherson	02/04
Catherine	Emberton	02/05
Larry	Ford	02/06
Brian	White	02/06
Klaire	McPherson	02/07
Michael	McPherson	02/08

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**Verses for the Lord's Supper: Luke 22:19-22**

<sup>19</sup>And he took bread, and gave thanks, and brake *it*, and gave unto them, saying, This is my body which is given for you: this do in remembrance of me.

<sup>20</sup>Likewise also the cup after supper, saying, This cup *is* the new testament in my blood, which is shed for you. <sup>21</sup>But, behold, the hand of him that betrayeth me *is* with me on the table. <sup>22</sup>And truly the Son of man goeth, as it was determined: but woe unto that man by whom he is betrayed

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10:05am Morning Worship...  
Evening Worship...

6pm

**Wednesday:**

7pm Bible Study...

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