

Tidings From Timothy

"Let's go back to the Bible! Let's do Bible things in Bible ways! Let's call Bible things by Bible names! Let's worship and live according to the pattern! If it's authorized in God's Word, let's do it! If it isn't, let's refuse it!"

Our plea is for the restoration of New Testament Christianity. We see religious unity which can only be realized by returning to "the old paths."

Religious unity is possible. God planned it (Ephesians 4:4-5). Jesus prayed for it (John 17:20,21). Paul pleaded for it (I Corinthians 1:10). However, all of us being one in Christ is impossible until we return to God's Word. We must all plant the same seed (Luke 8:11), speak the same thing (I Corinthians 1:10) and follow the same standard (Philippians 3:16).

The Bible is inspired of God (2 Timothy 3:16, 17). We are to live by it (Matthew 4:4). We will be judged by it (John 12:48). It alone should guide our lives!

"Let's go back to the Bible!" I ask you, "Isn't that a wonderful plea?" Ask yourself, "Am I really following the Bible?" Why this emphasis? Because we want to please God! Why this plea? Because we care about you!

Let us now consider the government of the church. The churches of Christ have no ecclesiastical form of government. In the first century, each congregation was self-governing. There was no system of government larger than the local congregation.

The churches of Christ have no conventions or councils. No group of men have the authority to "legislate" for the church. The church is not a democracy. It is a monarchy. Christ is King!

The churches of Christ have no human head. Jesus Christ is the head of the church (Ephesians 1:22, 23). He is to have the preeminence (Colossians 1:18). He has all authority (Matthew 28:18).

In the Bible, God's simple plan of organization is given. Each congregation is to have bishops (elders) and deacons (Philippians 1:1). The qualifications of these leaders are given in I Timothy 3:1-13 and Titus 1:5-9. They do not enact laws. Rather, they guide the congregation in obeying Christ's law as dictated in the New Testament.

--Dwight Fuqua

Local evangelism report will be made next week.

We are looking forward to a great youth service tonight. All the preparations have been made. All that is needed now is your attendance and for you to bring a friend. Our Sunday night service will feature several young men preaching on **The Fruit of the Spirit** from Galatians chapter 5.

The article below is dealing with the same subject as the Sunday morning sermon.

Birthdays

Linda High	8 th
Mitchell Guffey	9 th
Logan Owen	9 th
Heather Clements	10 th
Debbie Copas	11 th
Gene Goode	11 th
Brenda (Veachel's)Harlan	12 th
Revena Page	12 th
Shelia McGeorge	12 th

In Need of Prayer

Dave High is in the Glasgow hospital in intensive care. WE are saddened at the passing of Bud Massingail. Visiting is today and services will be Monday at 2pm at Yokely-Trible.



What makes the church of Christ different?"

Consider the plea of the churches of Christ. Peter wrote, "If any man speak, let him speak as the oracles of God" (I Peter 4:11). Our desire and plea is for men to return to God's word!

What Must I do to be saved?

- **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**

Study the Bible?

God speaks to us today through the Holy Word of God - The Bible (Hebrews 1:1-2). The Scriptures instruct us in the way God requires His people to live (2 Timothy 3:16,17). The Bible is powerful and able to save us (Romans 1:16; James 1:21-25), if we will hear, learn and obey it.

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Matthew 16:18 - 19 ¹⁸And I also say to you that you are Peter, and on this rock I will build My church, and the gates of Hades shall not prevail against it. ¹⁹And I will give you the keys of the kingdom of heaven, and whatever you bind on earth will be bound in heaven, and whatever you loose on earth will be loosed in heaven.”

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Schedule of Services:

Sunday:

Bible Study... 9:30am
Morning Worship... 10:05am
Evening Worship... 6pm

Wednesday:

Bible Study... 7pm

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