

Central Church of Christ

“A Community of Grace”

March 26, 2017

We Can Know the Truth By Jimmie Z Gribble

Knowledge is extremely important in many fields. If we are in need of surgery, we want a doctor that is very knowledgeable of the procedure that we need. If we are in need of a lawyer, we want one that is very knowledgeable in the area of our need. A commercial advertises, in a humorous way, that staying with them makes you very knowledgeable. And, most of us remember the joke concerning a repairman and a bill. The repairman comes, repairs a product, and sends the bill: replacing the part, \$1.25, knowing which part to replace, \$125.00. Knowledge is extremely important in many fields.

We have heard the phrase, “Jack of all trades, and master of none.” None of us can know everything. However, all of us can know God’s word. And, of all the fields where knowledge is extremely important, this field surpasses them all. The knowledge of medicine and the human body enables us to live longer on this earth. Many of us, without this knowledge, would have left this life long ago. However, the knowledge of God’s word has eternal value and benefits associated with it.

Jesus said that we can know the truth. John records, “And ye shall know the truth, and the truth shall make you free” (John 8:32). The word of God is given to us in words that we can understand and know. Peter tells us that we need to grow in this knowledge. He penned, “But grow in grace, and in the knowledge of our Lord and Saviour Jesus Christ. To him be glory both now and forever. Amen” (2 Peter 3:18). It is through this study that we can present ourselves approved unto God. Paul wrote to Timothy, “Study to shew thyself approved unto God, a workman that needeth not to be ashamed, rightly dividing the word of truth” (2 Timothy 2:15).

To those that “know not” there is punishment waiting, 2 Thessalonians 1:7ff. However, God wants us all saved. Inspiration said, “The Lord is not slack concerning his promise, as some men count slackness; but is longsuffering to us-ward, not willing that any should perish, but that all should come to repentance” (2 Peter 3:9).

Beloved, knowledge is extremely important in many fields. The most important field is concerned with God’s word, our knowledge of it, and our application of it to our lives. Know the TRUTH!

Beloved, listen to all of God's word; God will do thee good!

Order of Worship

Seek Ye First **John Atkison, Song Leader**

Welcome and prayer**Jobee Thrasher**

Just A Little Talk With Jesus

You Are Holy

It Is Well

In Christ Alone

Communion and Offering

As per schedule below

Days of Elijah

Children’s Offering for fresh water filters (Helping Hands International)

Sermon –Jobee Thrasher

Jesus Calls Us

Closing Reminders**Song Leader**

Soon And Very Soon

Closing Prayer

As per schedule below

If you are scheduled to serve in any capacity and realize you won’t be able to fulfill that responsibility please let us know in advance so we can change it in the bulletin.

<i>Those Serving:</i>	Mar. 26	April 2	April 9	April 16
Lead/ Bread	Tyler Goad	Bill Goad	Alan Powell	Clint Thrasher
Fruit of Vine	Jerry Henshaw	Allen Smith	Francis Jenkins	Tyler Goad
Offering	Alan Powell	Jobee Thrasher	Brad Oglesby	Allen Smith
Closing Pray	Francis Jenkins	Mike Wilson	Greg Atkison	Bill Goad
Door Greeters	Alan Powell	Tyler Goad & Gavin	Bill & Tammy	Allen Smith

Birthday's and Anniversaries!

Hanna Thrasher – April 3rd

Whitney Goad – April 8th

Brenda Atkison – April 14th

Prayer concerns

June Thrasher at Redbanks

Sue Hall (June Thrashers roommate)

Bobbi Doris Redbanks Rm #103

Clinton Jones, friend of Brenda's

Macy King, student of Cathy Thrasher

Billie Wilson, treatable skin cancer

Vicki Smith, Allen's wife, hip problems

Cheryl Williams, tumor releasing

toxins, waiting to get in Mayo Clinic,

Freida's sister-in-law

Geraldine Addison- at home

Bryan Wyatt, health problems, Jerry's friend

Leslie Goad, Bill's dad

Lynn Antwine – Mandy Duncan's

friends dad – broke his hip



This week we are collecting **pop tarts** for the Henderson County High School backpacks.

Please contribute if possible.

You Ask Why I Follow This Jesus

You ask why I follow this Jesus?

Why I love Him the way I do?

When the world's turned away from His teachings

And the people who serve Him are few.

It's not the reward I'm after

Or gifts that I hope to receive

It's the Presence that calls for commitment,

It's the Spirit I trust and believe.

The Lord doesn't shelter His faithful

Or spare them all suffering and pain.

Like everyone else I have burdens,

And walk through my share of rain.

Yet He gives me a plan and purpose,

And that joy only Christians have known.

I never know what comes tomorrow,

But I do know I'm never alone.

It's the love always there when you need it;

It's the words that redeem and inspire.

It's the longing to ever be with Him

That burns in my heart like a fire.

So you ask why I love my Lord Jesus?

Well, friend, that's so easy to see.

But the one thing that fills me with wonder

Is why Jesus loves someone like me.

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SCHEDULE OF SERVICES

Sunday:

9:30 AM Sunday school

10:30 AM Worship Assembly

6:00 PM Bible Study

Wednesday:

6:30 PM Bible Study

Our statistics:

Sunday Worship	36
Sunday Night	15
Contribution	\$1232.00
Wednesday Bible Study	7

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*The men's chairman for the next quarter (Feb.- April) is Bill Goad. The secretary is Alan Powell. The next mtg. is **April 1 at 9:00 am.***

The Old Paths
By Cecil May Jr

“Thus says the Lord: ‘Stand by the roads, and look, and ask for the ancient paths, where the good way is; and walk in it, and find rest for your souls.’ But they said, ‘We will not walk in it.’” (Jer. 6:16)

A good preaching text, often used! I like the ESV translation, “ancient paths.” Jeremiah’s paths were the ways of the law of Moses.

The paths that some would call us to take as our model for today are not “old” enough. The ways of the 1940’s and 50’s are not our standard.

Neither are the paths discovered and trod by the Stones and Campbells . We are not called to restore the 19th century restoration movement.

What we should restore is what those Christians of the 19th and 20th centuries were trying to restore: the church as Jesus and the apostles were calling it in the Scriptures to be.

Only paths as ancient as the New Testament are old enough to require that we walk therein. (1 Cor. 10:5:58).