

SOUTH HEIGHTS BAPTIST'S WEEKLY REMINDER

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NURSERY MINISTRY WORKERS FOR THIS WEEK

10:50 a.m. Service ----- Cradle Roll 1: Bertha Segebarrt
Cradle Roll 2: Janet Bridges
Sun. Eve. Service ----- Cradle Roll 1: Kristi Hooper
Cradle Roll 2: Andrea Hooper
Wed. Eve. Service ----- Cradle Roll 1: Shirley White
Cradle Roll 2: LeAnna White

AND THE PEOPLE CAME...

Week of June 21, 2015

Sunday School ----- 15
Sunday Morning Service ----- 39
Sunday Evening Service ----- 32
Wed. Eve. Service, 06/24/15 ----- No Service

AND THE PEOPLE GAVE...

Week of June 21, 2015

Undesignated Tithes & Offerings ----- \$ 1,209.00
Total Received for Week of 06/21/15: \$ 1,209.00

Average amount of Undesignated Offerings needed
to operate the church EACH WEEK,
as a minimum = \$ 1,400.00

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WHAT IT MEANS TO BE SAVED

1. *Admit that you are a sinner.*
2. *Admit that God says all sins must be paid for.*
3. *Accept the fact that Christ took upon Himself the suffering necessary to pay for all your sins.*
4. *You must change your mind about sin and sinning (God calls this repentance).*
5. *By an act of your will, accept by faith the Lord Jesus Christ, who can save you from the penalty of sin. Then, tell God about this in a simple prayer. Believe that God keeps His promise to save you, and thank Him for His salvation.*



Please Remember To Be Faithful to Give!

As with everything else, the costs of keeping a church going never go down - they always go **up**. Bills wait for no one, and churches are no exception to this. An extra, sacrificial gift today by everyone present would go a long way...

We encourage all of our membership to practice obedience to God by being faithful every payday to give back to Him His tithe (10%). *If every family in our church would practice this one simple discipline, we would never have weeks where we have to put off paying some bills until the following week!*

Everything is expensive, especially for a small church like ours, but ours is a BIG God, and He LOVES to bless His children when they are obedient to Him!

If you are already a tither, we thank you, and encourage you to also give offerings as well. If you're currently not tithing, won't you please start **today - OK?** Thank you.

Church Directory

Todd W. White ----- Pastor
Mickie Shatwell ----- Pianist
Lois Mae Floyd ----- Pianist/Organist
----- Greeter
Shayne Hooper, Todd W. White ----- S.S. Teachers
Larry & Mary Byars, Ella Allen ----- Outreach
Flowers ----- Shirley White, Charity Crawford



"What Are We To Do?"

by David Johnston, Pastor
Temple Baptist Church - Laurens, South Carolina

"For the wrath of God is revealed from heaven against all ungodliness and unrighteousness of men, who hold the truth in unrighteousness; Because that which may be known of God is manifest in them; for God hath shewed it unto them. For the invisible things of him from the creation of the world are clearly seen, being understood by the things that are made, even his eternal power and Godhead; so that they are without excuse: Because that, when they knew God, they glorified him not as God, neither were thankful; but became vain in their imaginations, and their foolish heart was darkened. Professing themselves to be wise, they became fools, And changed the glory of the uncorruptible God into an image made like to corruptible man, and to birds, and fourfooted beasts, and creeping things. Wherefore God also gave them up to uncleanness through the lusts of their own hearts, to dishonour their own bodies between themselves: Who changed the truth of God into a lie, and worshipped and served the creature more than the Creator, who is blessed for ever. Amen. For this cause God gave them up unto vile affections: for even their women did change the natural use into that which is against nature: And likewise also the men, leaving the natural use of the woman, burned in their lust one toward another; men with men working that which is unseemly, and receiving in themselves the recompense of their error which was meet. And even as they did not like to retain God in their knowledge, God gave them over to a reprobate mind, to do those things which are not convenient; Being filled with all unrighteousness, fornication, wickedness, covetousness, maliciousness; full of envy, murder, debate, deceit, malignity; whisperers, Backbiters, haters of God, despisers, proud, boasters, inventors of evil things, disobedient to parents, Without understanding, covenantbreakers, without natural affection, implacable, unmerciful: Who knowing the judgment of God, that they which commit such things are worthy of death, not only do the same, but have pleasure in them that do them" (Romans 1:18-32).

I started not to preach along these lines this morning but could not get away with from it. We could have continued to silently follow the Lord and His Word with no fear of repercussions but I felt compelled to preach. I cannot be silent and the world needs to know where we stand as a church.

What happened this last week when the Supreme Court ruled in favor of same sex marriage was slap in the face of God and a total rejection of biblical truth. It was a monumental step toward a nation with reprobate lifestyle. (vs 26-32) Was it a surprise? No, it was expected! We prayed for its rejection but God said "as it was in the days of Lot!" I was sad for our great nation as it continued its downhill slide into perversion.

Friday, we watched as 5 unelected judges redefined God's institution of marriage. It will not be long until a father can married his daughter, a mother her son, or a brother his sister. Many will say that this cannot happen but it can. Why? Because, not, no one has the right to tell someone that they cannot marry the one that they love.

Will this satisfy the sodomite community? No! Sodomites will never be satisfied! Sodomy is a dissatisfaction of what God made in the His realm of nature. What is natural is what follows nature. Dissatisfaction in the realm of a man-woman relationship always leads to perversion which cannot be satisfied! The sodomites will not stop until everyone who stands against them or speaks against their lifestyle is punished or done away with. In Genesis 19, even after their blindness, they sought the door of Lot's house. This is not the end because the sodomites have an agenda!

Our nation has been a "run a way train" for the last few decades as the advancement of liberal progressive thinking has gained

strength and power. Every value that the Bible sets forth is under attack by a godless (yes a president who sings Amazing Grace at a funeral and turns the White House a pastel rainbow color after the decision came down) people. What a shame the present administration has brought upon our land!

Titus 1:16 says, ***“They profess that they know God; but in works they deny him, being abominable, and disobedient, and unto every good work reprobate.”***

Three things the Supreme Court decision did not change:

1. God has not changed His mind! At least our God has not! The “god” concocted by this world agrees with the Supreme Court’s decision.
2. God has not changed His Word! At least our King James Bible has not changed! The NIV left the word “sodomite” out of it long ago.
3. And God will not change His judgment of the sin of sodomy! God did not make men to be born sodomites or cross-gender! He made them male and female and if you do not believe it, check their DNA and you will still find that the male has both the X and Y chromosomes while the female has two X chromosomes. Sodomy is a learned behavior, not an inherent one.

Now, What are we to do as a Christian? What are we to do as a church? We are to keep on doing just what we have been doing for the past 2,000 years. If God has not changed (and He has not), God’s Word has not changed (and it has not), and God’s judgment will not change, then the church must not change (and ours will not).

1. ***We are going to continue to pray for America and its leadership.*** I Timothy 2:1-3 says, ***“I exhort therefore, that, first of all, supplications, prayers, intercessions, and giving of thanks, be made for all men; For kings, and for all that are in authority; that we may lead a quiet and peaceable life in all godliness and honesty. For this is good and acceptable in the sight of God our Saviour”.***
2. ***We are going to continue to stand for God’s nature. Natural is a continuation of God’s nature.*** Genesis 2:22-24 says, ***“And the rib, which the LORD God had taken from man, made he a woman, and brought her unto the man. And Adam said, This is now bone of my bones, and flesh of my flesh: she shall be called Woman, because she was taken out of Man. Therefore shall a man leave his father and his mother, and shall cleave unto his wife: and they shall be one flesh.”***
3. ***We are going to continue to adhere to God’s Word.*** Acts 5:29 says, ***“Then Peter and the other apostles answered and said, We ought to obey God rather than men.”***
4. ***We are going to continue to preach against all manner of***

sinfulness. Isaiah 58:1 says we are to ***“Cry aloud, spare not, lift up thy voice like a trumpet, and shew my people their transgression, and the house of Jacob their sins.”***

5. ***We are going to continue to accept the sinner but reject their wicked lifestyle.*** I Timothy 2:4 says, ***“Who will have all men to be saved, and to come unto the knowledge of the truth.”***
6. ***We are going to continue to be good citizens and do what we can to make a difference.*** Titus 3:1 says, ***“Put them in mind to be subject to principalities and powers, to obey magistrates, to be ready to every good work.”***
7. ***We are going to continue to trust the Lord as we see the signs of His eminent return.*** Proverbs 3:5-7 says, ***“Trust in the LORD with all thine heart; and lean not unto thine own understanding. In all thy ways acknowledge him, and he shall direct thy paths. Be not wise in thine own eyes: fear the LORD, and depart from evil.”***
8. ***We will stand willing to pay a price for what we believe and what God said.*** Matthew 5:11-12 says, ***“Blessed are ye, when men shall revile you, and persecute you, and shall say all manner of evil against you falsely, for my sake. Rejoice, and be exceeding glad: for great is your reward in heaven: for so persecuted they the prophets which were before you.”***



US History Quotes About God and the Bible

“Blessed is the nation whose God is the LORD, the people He has chosen as His own inheritance” (Psalm 33:12).

The USA is a covenant Christian nation. We are one nation under God. The Christian majority is the largest group in America (~75%, 2012 polling). Christians uniting in Christ is our nation’s source of unity. Below are some of the thousands of quotes endorsing God in government by our Founding Fathers and others in American history. American children have prayed and read the Holy Bible in schools for 355 years (1607 – 1962), Congress recommended Bibles for America and funded Christian missionaries, the third verse of our national anthem says, “And this be our motto, ‘In God is our trust.’”

GEORGE WASHINGTON - “It is the duty of all nations to acknowledge the providence of Almighty God, to obey His will, to be grateful for His benefits, and humbly to implore His protection and favor.”



“Of all the dispositions and habits which lead to political prosperity, religion and morality are indispensable.”



JOHN ADAMS - “The Declaration of Independence laid the cornerstone of human government upon the first precepts of Christianity.

“The general principles on which the fathers achieved independence were the general principles of Christianity. I will avow that I then believed, and now believe, that those general principles of Christianity are as eternal and immutable as the existence and attributes of God.”

“The highest glory of the American Revolution was this: it connected, in one indissoluble bond, the principles of civil government with the principles of Christianity.”

BENJAMIN RUSH - “The only foundation for . . . a republic is to be laid in Religion. Without this there can be no virtue, and without virtue there can be no liberty, and liberty is the object and life of all republican governments.”

NOAH WEBSTER - In my view, the Christian religion is the most important and one of the first things in which all children, under a free government ought to be instructed . . . No truth is more evident to my mind than that the Christian religion must be the basis of any government intended to secure the rights and privileges of a free people.



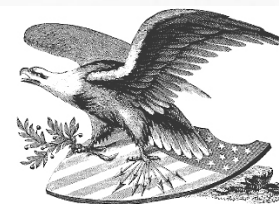
ABRAHAM LINCOLN - “In regards to this great Book [the Bible], I have but to say it is the best gift God has given to man. All the good the Savior gave to the world was communicated through this Book. But for it we could not know right from wrong. All things most desirable for man’s welfare, here and hereafter, are found portrayed in it.”

“And whereas it is the duty of nations as well as of men, to own their dependence upon the overruling power of God . . . and to recognize the sublime truth, announced in the Holy Scriptures and proven by all history, that those nations only are blessed whose God is the Lord.”



RONALD REAGAN - “The Bible and its teachings helped form the basis for the Founding Fathers’ abiding belief in the inalienable rights of the individual, rights which they found implicit in the Bible’s teachings of the inherent worth and dignity of each individual. This same sense of man patterned the convictions of those who framed the English system of law inherited by our own Nation, as well as the ideals set forth in the Declaration of Independence and the Constitution.”

“Inside the Bible’s pages lie the answers to all the problems that mankind has ever known. I hope Americans will read and study the Bible.”



OUR LIBERTIES REST UPON THIS ROCK



“The foundation of God standeth sure”—Timothy 2:19