



## Privileged to Serve

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| Announcements and Sick.....     | Jody McCoy        |
| Songs of Worship .....          | Terry Abney       |
| A.M. Prayer .....               | Charles Mack Rice |
| A.M. Prayer before Worship..... | Homer Rice        |
| A.M. Closing Prayer .....       | Joe Slone         |
| P. M. Opening Prayer .....      | Dan Newell Jr.    |
| P.M. Closing Prayer.....        | Jody McCoy.       |

### January:

#### Communion:

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| Reading .....           | Greg Brewer                  |
| Serving .....           | Terry Abney, Joe Slone`      |
| Collection .....        | Willard Dunn., Shane Burgher |
| Communion to Sick ..... | Shane Burgher, Jody McCoy    |
| Prepare Communion ..... | Carla Watson, Josie Watson   |
| Van Driver 1/24/10..... | Duwain Watson                |
| Van Driver 1/31/10..... | Greg Brewer                  |

## The Eternal Word

Two thousand years ago a little, old man sat in a cold Roman dungeon writing. The government which imprisoned him ruled from India to Hispania; from the Sahara to Britain. The name of his executioner is forgotten. The prison where he was kept is in ruins, and that government has passed into history. But the words on that parchment where he was writing live on. "Heaven and earth shall pass away, but my words shall not pass away." Matthew 24:35.

Words are the signs of ideas; the index to man's mind. God's word gives God's mind in human language. Jesus recognized the power of words. (Matthew 4:4-7; Mark 8:38; Luke 24:19). The cardinal sin of this age is disrespect for the written word of God. George Dehoff

## This and That

In Revelation chapter 7, the apostle John saw a great multitude of people. They were standing before the throne of God and before Jesus. The people were from "all nations, kindreds, people and tongues." This indicates they were from every area of the globe. Different languages, skin colors, sex, and age were characteristic of them. They were clothed in white robes and had palms in their hands. The white robes represent the righteousness of the saints, Revelation 19:8 and the palms indicate victory. The apostle Paul said, "thanks be to God, which giveth us the victory through our Lord Jesus Christ." They praise God for their salvation. There is no doubt that John here sees the people of God, His church.

They serve Him day and night in His temple. This must refer to our daily worship of God as we seek to do His will. As members of His church, we have no time off from being a Christian. We must serve Him day and night. This cannot refer to our service to Him in heaven, as there will be no night there.

He that sitteth upon the throne shall dwell among them. God and Jesus are now seated upon the throne, Revelation 3:21. They dwell among the saints as recorded in John 14:23, "Jesus answered and said unto him, If a man love me, he will keep my words: and my Father will love him, and we will come unto him, and make our abode with him." Again Jesus says, "For where two or three are gathered together in my name, there am I in the midst of them", Matthew 18:20.

They shall hunger no more, neither thirst any more; neither shall the sun light on them, nor any heat. Jesus said in Matthew 5: 6, "Blessed are they which do hunger and thirst after righteousness: for they shall be filled." As God sheltered Jonah with a gourd, He will protect His saints as they go about their daily chores.

For the Lamb which is in the midst of the throne shall feed them, and shall lead them unto living fountains of waters: and God shall wipe away all tears from their eyes. Our Savior and our God has our best interest in mind. The Christian life is truly the best life. We have guidance, protection, and comfort from heaven.

Think about it.

*Daniel Newell*

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