

**Passion for God.....Compassion for People
July 4, 2010**

Clay City Church of Christ

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Please be Reminded:

Men's Business Meeting is TODAY, immediately following morning worship. The meeting takes place in the all-purpose room. Plan to attend and be a part of the decision making process of the congregation.

Stanton Nursing Home Services are the third Sunday of each month, beginning at 2:30 p.m. The speaker for July will be Brother M.C. Rice. Please join us for around a half hour of song, prayer, and sermon. Your attendance may brighten the day for a resident.

Church Singing is the second Wednesday night at 7:00PM. This is an opportunity to praise God together in song. You may also request that a particular song be sung. Please plan to attend and encourage others as well.

WSKV Radio8:30 a.m. each Sunday Morning

Please Lift Up In Prayer:

Anna Vires and Family, Waveline Teasley, Pauline Powell, Joe and Debbie Slone, Brian Rice, Sharon and Donald Olinger, Reva O'Hair, unspoken requests, the elderly in the church, all those on the church prayer list.

.....*the effectual fervent prayer of a righteous man availeth much. James 5:16*

Again this year our Vacation Bible School was a HUGE success. Thank you to everyone for your part in making this year's VBS possible. A special thanks to:

- The Children. Without them we wouldn't have a very good VBS now would we?
- The Teachers/Helpers. Your energy, effort, and results are commendable.
- Snack/cookout coordinators. Your tireless efforts made it more enjoyable.

Ministers:

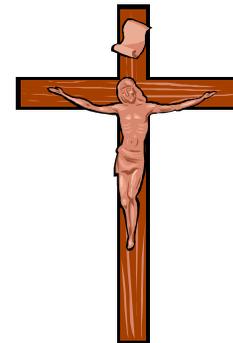
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Worship Services:

Sunday Morning Bible Study.....10:00 a.m.
 Sunday Morning Worship.....11:00 a.m.
 Sunday Evening Worship..... 6:00 p.m.
 Wednesday 7:00 p.m.

Sunday A.M.: Why Are People Lost..... M.C. Rice
 Sunday P.M.: Death is For Our Benefit.....Daniel Newell

Whether Paul, or Apollos, or Cephas, or the world, or life, or death, or things present, or things to come; all are yours; 23. And ye are Christ's; and Christ is God's.
 1 Corinthians 3:22-23



Privileged to Serve

Announcements and Prayer List.....	Jody McCoy
Songs of Worship	Terry Abney
A.M. Prayer	Mack Rice.
A.M. Prayer before Worship.....	Jody McCoy
A.M. Closing Prayer	Joe Slone
P. M. Opening Prayer	Dan Newell Jr.
P.M. Closing Prayer.....	Greg Brewer.

Board Change for July:

Communion:

Reading	Greg Brewer
Serving	Jody McCoy, Terry Abney.
Collection	Dan Newell Jr., Pearl Brewer
Communion to Sick	Walter Rice
Prepare Communion	Sue Rice, Amber & Amanda
Van Driver 7/04/10.....	Greg Brewer
Van Driver 7/11/10.....	Jody McCoy
Cleaning Outside	Jody McCoy, Greg Brewer

EVER WONDER WHAT would happen if we treated our Bible like we treat our cell phone...?

- What if we carried it around in our purses or pockets?
- What if we flipped through it several times a day?
- What if we turned back to go get it if we forgot it?
- What if we used it to receive messages from the text?
- What if we treated it like we couldn't live without it?
- What if we give to kids as gifts?
- What if we used it when we traveled?
- What if we used it in case of an emergency?

This is something to make you go...hmmm...where IS my Bible?
Oh, and one more thing.

Unlike our cell phone, we don't have to worry about our Bible being disconnected because Jesus already paid the bill.

Makes you stop and think "Where are my priorities?"

This and That

Animal sacrifices were a constant reminder that communion with God and forgiveness of sins were not possible without the shedding of blood. Isaac and Jacob offered sacrifices before the law was given (Gen. 31:54; 46:1) and God specifically required animal sacrifices under the law. We no longer offer animals as sacrifice to God because Jesus has offered Himself unto God as a lamb without blemish and spot. Paul says "...Christ also hath loved us, and hath given himself for us an offering and a sacrifice to God for a sweetsmelling savour", Ephesians 5:2. Because the law of Moses has been taken away does that mean there are no sacrifices for us to offer? No. There are sacrifices to be offered. Consider the following:

Paul says in Romans 12:1 that we are to offer our bodies as a "living" sacrifice. This means that our daily life is to be devoted to doing those things that please Him. Just as the Israelites came to the tabernacle with animals to sacrifice, we should awake daily and bring our minds and bodies before God as a sacrifice that is "holy, acceptable unto God, which is your reasonable service".

Paul also speaks of the "sacrifice and service of your faith", in Philippians 2:17. Our faith comes by hearing the word of God, Romans 10:17. So we make sacrifice to God by listening to what He says and then doing it. Vine's Bible Dictionary defines our Christian faith as, "a strong and welcome conviction or belief that Jesus is the Messiah, through whom we obtain eternal salvation in the kingdom of God".

Material assistance rendered to servants of God is referred to as sacrifices in Philippians 4:18, where Paul was assisted by those at Phillipi. It is said to be "wellpleasing to God".

Doing good to others and communicating with their needs is a sacrifice to God. "But to do good and to communicate forget not: for with such sacrifices God is well pleased", Hebrews 13:16

Then Peter speaks of spiritual sacrifices in general, offered by believers in 1 Peter 2:5. These are said to be *acceptable to God by Christ Jesus*. Jesus is our High Priest and therefore presents our offerings to God.

Are we sacrificing to God through Jesus? Is our mind and body holy and useful to the Lord?

Think about it.

Daniel Newell