# Passion for God.....Compassion for People August 1, 2010

### 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 August will be Brother Luke Newell, from The Bowen congregation. 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 Radio ......8:30 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

"Right up to the year 100 (if you take the book of Revelation as having been written then) John, writing under the inspiration of the Holy Spirit, directs the book of Revelation to individual churches. Hence, up to the end of the New Testament, individual churches existed and were important enough for letters to be written to them. The picture is clear: As Paul moves over the Roman Empire, as Aquila and Priscilla move over the Roman Empire, as other Christians move over the Roman Empire, individuals are saved and local churches are organized. And this, I believe, is a pattern that holds for the church till Jesus comes." *Francis Schaeffer* 

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**Worship Services:** 

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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.
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Sunday A.M.: Work Out Your Own Salvation	
Sunday P.M.: Are You a Disciple of Jesus?	Daniel Newell

He riseth from supper, and laid aside his garments; and took a towel, and girded himself. 5. After that he poureth water into a bason, and began to wash the disciples' feet, and to wipe them with the towel wherewith he was girded. John 13:4-5



## Privileged to Serve

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

#### **Board Change for August:**

Communion:

Reading	Terry Abney
Serving	Jody McCoy, Greg Brewer.
Collection	Shane Burgher, Willard Dunn
Communion to Sick	Shane Burgher, Jody McCoy
Prepare Communion	Bernice Abney, Bettyjo Oliver
Van Driver 8/01/10	Greg Brewer
Van Driver 8/08/10	Jody McCoy
Cleaning Outside	Jody McCoy, Shane Burgher

Blessed Bible, how I love it,

How it doth my bosom cheer!

What hath earth like this to covet?

Oh, what stores of wealth are here?

Man was lost and doomed to sorrow;

Not one ray of light or bliss

Could he from earth's treasures borrow,

Till his way was cheered by this

Yes, sweet Bible, I will hide thee;
Hide thee richly in this heart.

Thou through all my life shall guide me,
And in death we will not part

Part in death, no, never, never;
Through death's dark veil I'll lean on thee

Then in worlds above forever
Sweeter still thy truths shall be

### This and That

It is wonderful to be a Christian and know that your right relationship with God is made possible through Jesus. To be a member of His church and to have an eternal hope is the greatest. However there are trials and tribulations that test our faith and may cause us to question our security in Christ. Is it possible to apostatize? Can one live in a manner as to "lose his salvation"? This is a very real question with eternal implications. Let's try to answer this question.

As long as one lives according to the Bible he is secure. Jesus said in John 8:31-32, "If ye continue in my word, then are ye my disciples indeed; 32. And ye shall know the truth, and the truth shall make you free." This means that as long as we allow the Bible to guide us in our thoughts and actions we are secure in Jesus. A disciple is a learner and follower of Jesus. As we go to church services and read and study His word it teaches us the right way to live. By living under its influence we are a constant disciple of Jesus.

When one ceases to conform to the will of God, he ceases to be a disciple of Jesus. If we choose a sinful lifestyle over the Christian, we sin willfully. The Hebrew author wrote, "For if we sin willfully after that we have received the knowledge of the truth, there remaineth no more sacrifice for sins, 27. But a certain fearful looking for of judgment and fiery indignation, which shall devour the adversaries", Chapter ten, verses 26 and 27. If the sacrifice has been removed then the penalty remains.

Paul prophesied that "the Spirit speaketh expressly, that in the latter times some shall depart from the faith, giving heed to seducing spirits, and doctrines of devils;", 1 Timothy 4:1. Some will *depart from the faith.* In order to depart from the faith one must have been in the faith. Therefore it is possible for one to so sin as to be separated from God.

After presenting a catalogue of fruitful acts a Christian must perform, Peter said one must "give diligence to make your calling and election sure: for if ye do these things, ye shall never fall:", 2 Peter 1:10. So here is a prescription for right living. If we live according to the teaching of the Bible we will be secure and have an eternal home waiting for us at this life's end. Think about it. Daniel Newell