

Good morning. I hope everyone had a great week. I've been praying that you all have a good school year. Some of our youth here at Crockett Road have started playing football this year. I wish them the best... I remember when I played. I want encourage everyone to go watch them play sometime. Bible class has been very good and well attended by those who usually come. If you haven't been coming to Bible class you are welcome to join us anytime. Thanks for being here this morning.

"The Mandate For Biblical Authority"

God gave us His Word, the Holy Bible. It is a shame that many have departed from the Truth of God's Word regarding Worship. That which "authorizes" most worship today is "I like it" rather than "God said it." Entertainment is high on every agenda, and how 'pretty" it sounds has become the major criterion for how and where a person worships today. Going back to the Bible will cause us to follow the Holy Spirit's imperative that we worship God "in spirit and in truth," John 4:24, and "decently and in order," I Corinthians 14:40. When we recognize God's authority, He will be pleased while we are edified and strengthened. To do less is a sin and shows our lack of respect for the creator of the universe. **DAN**

"DOES JESUS CARE"

Our world can be a dark and dismal place where no one cares for the other. The only thing that matters to many people is what they can get out of life for themselves. As they climb the mountain of material gain and pursue the fleeting treasures of life they spend little time to help their fellow man. Families turn their backs on their parents who nurtured them. Spouses neglect one another. Children care very little for home. Society becomes a self centered arena of mans desires to please only himself. Do you find yourself in this dark hole of neglect? Do you feel as if no one cares for you? The Creator of this world has given man hope in the face of misery. Through the written word, the mind of God is revealed to allow man to find comfort in time of despair. From the pen of inspired men, a message of hope and faith comes shining through the pages of His word. The apostle Peter writes, "Humble yourselves therefore under the mighty hand of God, that he may exalt you in due time: Casting all your care upon him; for he cares for you" (1 Peter 5:6-7). Found in this simple verse is the light that men can find when all around them is dark. There is hope, there is peace, there is protection - there is God! It is upon Him that must lean during difficult and happy times as well. Will you lean on the mighty arms of Jesus? Will you seek to draw closer to Him? DAN

DOOR GREETERS
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James and Sandy Singleterry

Sept. 18, 2016
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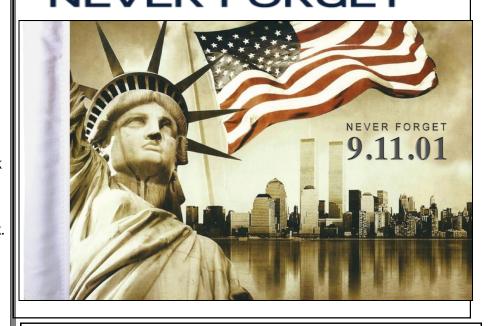
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ASSEMBLY TIMES

Sun: 9:30 AM Class 10:30 AM Worship 6:00 PM Evening





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From Dan's desk:



Most of us remember where we were when the tragedy of Sept 11, 2001 took place. It was a horrible and memorable day in our country's history. It has been fifteen years since that day. From the grief and heartache of that event emerged hope and consolation that God was with us. Two thousand years ago and tragedy took place in Jerusalem. It was the death of our Saviour. From that horrible event where Jesus was crucified, emerged a great blessing for all of us who are God's Children. The hope that God gave us through the death and the resurrection of Jesus is one that transcends this life here upon this earth. The Apostle Paul once wrote, "In in this life only we have hope, we are of all men most miserable". I Cor. 15:49. I am thankful for that one hope Paul describes in Eph. 4. That hope serves as "an anchor of the soul, both sure and steadfast". Hebrews 6:19. David wrote many years ago, "weeping may endure for a night, but joy cometh in the morning". Psa. 30:5.. I am thankful that God has wiped away our tears and continues to lead this nation. I would hope that our National leaders would turn again to our Father and seek His council. The future of our nation will rise or fall based upon our commitment to God and His Word or our lack of commitment. The song says, "My hope is built on nothing less than Jesus blood and righteousness". May we never forget 911, but may we never forget the day our Lord was crucified. The memorial we shall partake of today will remind us of God's love for us. Jesus said, "Do this in remembrance of me". Thanks for being here. I will be speaking at the Gilmer Civic Center tonight. Ben will bring the sermon. Plan to be here and support his efforts. DAN

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TO KEEP IN OUR PRAYERS

MARILYN WOODY mother of Deanna Lock is recovering from surgery last Sunday.

CHARLES McCULLOUGH remains in Health South Rehab in Tyler following his recent hip surgery GERALD WILCHER is also doing better following his recent surgery last week.

<u>JENNA MOCK</u> continues to undergo tests.

<u>DEBRA PLUMMER'S</u> mother is scheduled for surgery on her back.

Others are doing better

GUEST SPEAKER

Bob Payne from Henderson will be our guest speaker this Wednesday night. His topic is 2 Chron. 7:14

Plan to be here at 7 P.M. in church auditorium

WELCOME VISITORS

A big hearty welcome to those visiting today. Allow us to meet and greet you following the worship service this morning. At the end of the service today you will be given a gift bag from our congregation. "It is a small gift, but it comes from big hearts." Thanks again for coming.

"PERSECUTION WILL COME TO US"

Jesus said in His sermon on the mount "Blessed are they which are persecuted for righteousness' sake. for theirs is the kingdom of Heaven. 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 vou" (Matthew 5:10-12). These words from our Lord give us great comfort and encouragement, as well as hope in a time when it is needed most. The need to encourage and edify the church is tremendous right now because the church of our Lord is going through various trials of doctrinal error. And it is at such a time as this, that Jesus reassures all of mankind of the great hope and blessings that lie in the gospel. What we must always remember is that the life we live on earth is temporary (Hebrews 11:25). It is full of trials and afflictions, yet the reward that we have promises to exceed far beyond our imaginations and expectations. Many have gone before us and endured the persecutions of New Testament Christianity. We have Biblical examples as well as some that live among us. Persecutions are not pleasant and are certainly not easy to endure, but we must remember that God never promised that His children would be free from trials and afflictions of this life. He did promise eternal life if we will be faithful and enduring until our time on this earth is up. To persevere until the end, we must keep our eyes fixed on Jesus (Hebrews 12:2). Christ died so we can live. Is there a greater joy we could have than to hear our Savior say to us on that final day, "Well Done!" after enduring this life? DAN