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### Sundays

Bible Study	9:30	ΑM
Worship	10:30	ΑM
Worship	6:00	РМ

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### Goals For 2017

**Theme** Sowing The Seed <u>Attendance</u> Sunday Bible Study: 40 Sunday AM: 50 Sunday PM: 40 Wednesday Bible Study: 30

Giving: Meet Our Yearly Budget

Invitations: 100

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We are now in the 52nd week of our Bible Reading.

### **Prayer List**

Harry & Martha Croninger Sharon Nale Les & Novema Dunn Mary McAfee Jean Hume (Anita's Sister) Debby Spears (Roseann's sis) Sharon Thompson Sandra Anderson (Brian's Mom) Allen Morris—Surgery recovery Randy Turner (Kedza's Son) We mourn the passing of our dear sister Kedza Turner. Please pray for her family.

# Lord's Supper Reading I Cor. 11:23-38

# **Scripture Reading**

AM: Acts 16:22-24 PM: Eph. 5:15-16

# **Encouragement Tally**

Invites this month: 100 Invites last month: 100 Visitors YTD: 51

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# What Must I Do To Be Saved?

# Welcome!

If you're visiting with us today, we want you to feel welcome and we want you to feel like our honored guest! We also want you to know that all we're interested in here at the Clarksville Church of Christ is the Truth. Jesus said. "You shall know the truth, and the truth shall make you free." John 8:32. The truth He's talking about is God's word. Jesus said, "Sanctify them by thy truth, Thy word is truth." John 17:17. Therefore we hope you'll appreciate that we'll give you book, chapter and verse from the Bible, the word of God, for everything that we say or do here today, so that every-

thing that we do may bring glory unto God, I

Pet. 4:11.

Read Acts 16:22-34. On this occasion the Philippian jailer asks a very important question, "What must I do to be saved." Let's take a look at the answer to that question this morning.

# I. Individual Knowledge of Sin

Gen. 3:3, Is 59:1-2, Rom. 5:12; 3:23, 10, I Jn 3:4, Js 1:14-15, Rom 6:23

# II. Individual Knowledge of What Jesus Has Done For Me

Rom 6:23, Gen. 3:3, Jn 1:29, Mt 1:21, I Tim. 1:15, I Jn 2:2 Jer 10:23

# III. The Words of God Are Taught

Acts 16:32; 2:22, Js 1:18, 21, I Pet. 1:22-23

# IV. The Answer To The Question

# A. Believe Jesus and His Words

Acts 16:31, Jn 3:16, Rom 5:1, Jn 8:24, Js 2:24, 26

# **B.** Repentance

Acts 16:33; 2:37-38, Josh 24:15, 23, Lk 13:3, Acts 17:30

#### C. Confession

Acts 16:31, 34, Acts 8:35-37, Mt 10:32, Rom. 10:10

# D. Baptism

Acts 16:31; 2:38; 16:33; 10:48; 22:10, 16

# Get On Track and Stay There

A man bought a new hunting dog. Eager to see how he would perform, he took him out to track a bear. No sooner had they gotten into the woods than the dog picked up the trail. Suddenly he stopped, sniffed the ground, and headed in a new direction. He had caught the scent of a deer that had crossed the bear's path. A few moments later he halted again, this time smelling a raccoon that had crossed the path of the deer. Then a turkey, a rabbit, and so on, until finally the breathless hunter caught up with his dog, only to find him barking triumphantly down the hole of a field mouse.

One of the things for which Paul prayed was for his brethren in Colossae to be able to "approve the things that are excellent" (Phil. 1:10). He used a word here that was common among metallurgists. As they tested the quality of metal, they "approved" in the metal that which was genuine. It is used in this passage of testing that which is good or evil. That is not always easy. Easy or not, it is the thing responsible Christians must do.

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Our faith gets involved in this. We should test the excellency of our personal faith. Peter informed his readers that "for a little while you may have had to suffer grief in all kinds of trials" but also told them how beneficial such would be. He concluded, that "your faith, which is more precious than all the gold in the world, may be proved genuine and may result in praise, glory and honor when Jesus Christ is revealed" (1 Pet. 1:6-7). The word "proved" here is the same as in Col. 1:10).

Often Christians start out with high resolve, putting the kingdom of God first in their lives, but their attention is soon diverted to things of lesser worth. One pursuit leads to another until they've strayed far from their original purpose. Let us do our best to put first things first. So, take the divine admonition and stay on track and let nothing cause you to deviate from the straight and narrow way.

"Let your eyes look straight ahead, fix your gaze directly before you" (Prov. 4:25).

"But seek first the kingdom of God and His righteousness, and all these things shall be added to you" (Matt. 6:33).