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**Beginning Our 66th Year Dec. 3, 2023**

Goals For 2023  
Theme  
 "Courageous Christians in 2023!"  
Attendance: Sunday Bible Study: 40:  
Sunday AM: 50  
Sunday PM: 40: Wednesday Bible Study: 30

Giving: Meet Our Yearly Budget

Invitations: 130

Every Member Committed To Daily Bible Reading

Every Member Committed To Daily Prayer

Every Member Committed To Be At Every Service

Support the Work in Vincennes, Indiana  
Hold A Men's Training Class

Hold One Gospel Meeting

**We welcome our new full time evangelist...**

**Luke Capps**  
 who will be preaching today.

**We are on week # 7 of our daily Bible reading.**

**Prayer List**  
 Sharon Nale, Polly Ward, Macon Ward, Debby Spears (Roseanna's sis) Sharon Thompson, Beth McFarland, Pam Caudill Brooke Thomas, Cathie Hall Debbie Lewellen, John Kelly (Rob's brother), Peter Hunt, Capps family, Condolences to Thompson family, Kahl and Metcalf families

**This Month**  
 Phil. 1:1, 1 Tim. 3:1-15  
 Authority: Church Organization

**Who Have You Invited To Services This week?**

**Lord's Supper Reading**  
 Isaiah 53

**Scripture Reading**  
 AM: Luke 6:46-49  
 PM: 2 Timothy 3:14-17

**Encouragement Tally**  
 Invites this month 10  
 Invites last month: 8  
 Visitors YTD:

Our Theme for 2024...  
**"Respecting Bible Authority"**  
 Matt. 28:18  
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**Why Do You Call Me Lord? (Luke 6:46)**

**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 everything that we do may bring glory unto God, 1 Pet. 4:11.

**VISITORS**  
 Please fill out a visitor's card or scan the QR code below and provide the information requested.



**Introduction**

**A. When God (Jesus) asks a question it should strike curiosity and genuine desire to honestly answer.**

**B. How would I answer this question?**

**I. Illustrating The Point**

**A. Two men are presented... with important comparisons and contrasts (Luke 6:47-49).**

**I. Similarities and differences in the kind of men, the work they put in, the result, and even the torrent/flood.**

**II. What's the Point**

**A. They each heard, but responded differently (Jas. 1:22; 2:19-20).**

**B. They each wanted the same result, but the results were different.**

**C. They each describe the only two kinds of responses we can have with the Lord.**

**III. Which Are You?**

**A. Are you the fool who...**

1. Wants the prize without the work?
2. Thinks God doesn't really care all that much?
3. Thinks he can build accordingly without the right blueprint/pattern? (Matthew 7:21-23)

**B. Are you the wise man who...**

1. Digs deep (as he should)?
2. Uses God's blueprint/pattern?
3. Prepares for the flood/torrent?

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**Luke Capps**

# Are You Equipped?

2 Timothy 3:14-17

## Introduction

### A. How would you answer...?

1. What is a good work?
2. What does God require of the Christian/Church?
3. How do I know what God expects and requires of me?

## I. We're Comanded To Engage In Good Works (v. 17)

- A. God created us for this purpose (Eph. 2:10; cf. Mt. 5:16).
- B. To do ALL He has purposed (Col. 1:10; 2 Tim. 2:21).
- C. With extreme dedication (Tit. 2:11-14).

## II. So What Is A "Good Work"??? (v.16)

- A. It is NOT defined by any action a Christian might do (Rom. 2:6-11).
- B. God Himself is the ONLY one who sets the standard here (Heb. 13:21\_ESV).
- C. This is why a verse like Colossians 3:17 is so impactful for the Christian!

## III. Are We Equipping Ourselves? (v. 15)

- A. Solution to being unequipped is given through Timothy's example...
  1. Learn God's will
  2. As early as possible
  3. Holding it steadfast
- B. The problem arises when we don't approach God's word in the same way.
  1. When we're ok with keeping God's law vague in our lives.
  2. When we don't apply it urgently.
  3. When we allow it to fade in our lives.

Luke Capps

Theme: Authority In Church Organization

# Much Needed Thought On What The Church Is... NOT

Continuing our thoughts on church organization, I'd like to share some thoughts from brother Doy Moyer. It is very helpful and necessary to discuss what the church (and it's organization is), but it is also a very helpful exercise to see what it isn't! This is an excerpt from Doy Moyers series of essays and articles on the topic of authority.

*"First, the church is not the building. We know this, but we need to be careful with the way we express ourselves.*

*Second, the church is not a denomination. Many have the idea that belonging to a church necessarily means belonging to some denomination. This is false. Denominationalism finds no support in Scripture, and our plea is not to leave one denomination to join another, but to abandon all denominationalism and simply be part of Christ's body.*

*Third, the church is not a social club. While there are many social benefits to being able to spend time with other Christians in spiritual and even social settings, the church was not designed to as a social organization meant to provide for all social and physical needs, take care of entertainment, and make sure everyone is socially happy. Not even Jesus was concerned about fixing every social situation. For example, Luke 12:13-15 presents a situation where two brothers had a dispute over a family inheritance. Jesus could have easily solved the situation, but notice his reply: 'Man who appointed Me a judge or arbitrator over you?' His purpose was not to fix all the social, political, or financial problems in society. Further, in John 6:26-27, Jesus had already fed the people, but He was not willing for that to be the premise upon which they would follow Him. They needed to move beyond the signs of and the food to accept the teachings of Jesus. Many ended up walking away because of what Jesus said in John 6.*

*Fourth, the church is not a political conduit. Jesus brought together disciples who were on very different ends of a political spectrum: Simon, the zealot and Matthew, a tax collector. The local church does not exist in order to be a political machine aimed at promoting various political agendas. There should be no attempt in a local congregational setting to overthrow a government or become lobbyists for particular political campaigns. Scripture teaches Christians to submit to governing authorities (Romans 13) and not to speak evil of those in charge, ut to pray for them so that we lead a peaceful life (cf. Jude 8-9; 1 Tim. 2:1-4)." (Doy Moyer, Mind Your King, chapter 9 "The Church of the Lord")*

Why does this matter? Because too often people (particularly in denominations) confuse what the purpose, scope, and organization of the church is and should be. There are so many "righteous" agendas in the world that sometimes it's easy to rope them into other things we perceive as important.

While it is good for us to be social with one another (especially in the church), to be aware of need aware of issues in our communities enough to help our, and possibly even pay attention to what's happening in the government (i.e. politics), we cannot start mixing things into the Church that Scripture itself has not stated. This kind of misunderstanding leads to using church funds on causes, interests, and people outside of the church (which is unscriptural). It leads to broadening fellowship past the boundaries God has set (which is unscriptural). It culminates in focusing and directing the church through a mindset that is foreign to Scripture (which is, by definition, unscriptural)!

Luke Capps