

SERVICE SCHEDULE for September 29, 2013

Announcements for the Week Marshall Irvin
Morning Service
Prayer- Phillip Dorn
Song Leader- Andy Dobbs
Communion:
 -- **Comments** – Russ Sollars
 -- **Assisting** – Roger German
 -- **Assisting** – Justin Carr
 -- **Assisting** – Jay Dobbs
 -- **Assisting** – Dean Shacklock
Scripture– Curran LaChappelle
Closing Prayer- David Fuller
Evening Service
Prayer- Prayer Service
Song Leader- Prayer Service
Comments – Andy Dobbs
Serving – Phillip Dorn
Scripture – Prayer Service
Closing Prayer- Prayer Service
Wednesday Night – October 1, 2013
First Prayer– Bill McIlvain
Song Leader – Curran LaChappelle
Invitation – Dan Buselmeier
Closing Prayer – David Fuller
Sunday Evening September 29 – Congregational Prayer Service

Upcoming Assignments

October	Communion	Cleaning
6	Criswell	McIlvain, Ferrell, Criswell, Tucker
13	Fuller	Johnson, Baker, Goddard, Land

The Ladies Bible Study is on the 1st and 3rd Monday of the month. The next meeting is October 7 at 7PM.

The Elders and Deacons will be meeting this afternoon at 3:30 to address congregational matters. Please forward all prayer requests to one of these men in conjunction with the Service on Sunday evening.

Service --- “Yes, of course we could all use some help. There isn't a person alive without a need. So don't ask the silly question, just figure out how you're going to help and do it!”



Schedule of Services

Sunday: 9 a.m., 10 a.m. & 5 p.m. Wednesday: 7:30 p.m.

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Deacons: John Paul Baker, Doug Davidson, Andy Fuller,

Marshall Irvin, Jason LaChappelle

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Naughty Ladies

1. What judge of Israel was a prostitute's son?
2. What character in a parable wasted his money on prostitutes?
3. Where did the prostitute Rahab live?
4. Who ordered his daughter-in-law Tamar burned because she had acted like a prostitute?



Beware!

By Stan Adams

We would use the term, we "watch out." The term speaks to the fact of impending peril, and issues warning, in order to avoid loss. It is used in *Colossians 2:8* - "*Beware lest any man spoil you through philosophy and vain deceit, after the tradition of men, after the rudiments of the world and not after Christ.*" Again, we are warned by Jesus - *Matthew 7:15* - "*Beware of false prophets, which come to you in sheep's clothing, but inwardly are ravening wolves.*"



Beware!

Continued:

In these two passages we are told to be careful and beware about what we are taught. We are warned that we can be led astray by those who appear to have our best interest at heart. Often, those we admire, can lead us into heresy and we may not even know it, because we are prejudiced by their good traits.

Let us notice some attributes of false teaching.

False Teaching

1. Often portrays itself as uncertain. Error claims to be a learning process, but it never comes to a steadfast conclusion (**2 Timothy 3: 7**). Error teaches by questioning, never takes a position that can be attributed definitely. It allows others to always wonder what the belief is.

2. False teaching is often done by those who view themselves as the free-thinkers of the day (Acts 17:21). In this passage we see the Athenians were forever interested in "some new thing." One who teaches false doctrine often sees himself as an innovator, one who rejects all the "traditional ideas," and is willing to mold for himself some new doctrine. Many of the young men I went to school with followed this pattern and are now in apostasy.

3. False teaching is deceitful. It does not advertise itself as dangerous and often on the surface seems innocent. When it is discovered for what it is and is challenged, it often goes underground until conditions are safe to surface again.

4. False teaching turns people against one another. It divides, shatters and splinters until a full path of destruction is laid. Then, sadly, there are some sad soldiers on the edges of the battlefield, who stand and wring their hands, and wonder what happened, and remember when someone admonished them to stand or be consumed, but it is too late!

5. False teaching would like for every issue to be a "matter of judgment." It would have you believe that vital issues that are matters of doctrine are minor points, and that "we all come out at the same place anyhow, so what is the big deal?" The live-and-let-live philosophy is gendered by false teaching. Sympathizers with false teaching often are "milquetoast" Christians who will not agree with the error, but will not take an active stand against it. This makes them a partaker of the evil deeds accomplished by false doctrine (**2 John 9-11**).

6. False teaching often portrays itself as being misunderstood. "You didn't hear me right", or "I didn't mean it." We all know that as humans we will slip and misspeak, occasionally, but when we develop a pattern of telling folks we have been misunderstood, we are either involved in false teaching, or do not know what we are talking about, and ought to keep quiet and not advertise our doubts as doctrine.

All Christians should beware of false doctrine and be unafraid to oppose it. To do this we must be studious (**2 Timothy 2:15**). We must be aware of the tactics of error, and be unafraid as David was when he met Goliath. When error is espoused, it is a slap in the face of our Savior, who died to bring us salvation and hope, not confusion and uncertainty.

That should make us upset! I have never been accused of liking a fight. I have always done what I could to avoid one, but that does not mean indignation cannot come to the front when Truth is challenged. Beware! and put your armor on! (**Ephesians 6:10-18**).



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1. Jephthah [Judges 11:1]
2. The prodigal son [Luke 15:30]
3. Jericho [Joshua 2:1-6]
4. Judah [Genesis 38:24]

