

SERVICE SCHEDULE for April 26, 2015

Announcements for the Week

Dan Buselmeier

Morning Service

Prayer- Mark Jones

Song Leader- Marshall Irvin

Communion:

-- Comments – Andy Fuller

-- Assisting – Kevin Criswell

-- Assisting – Trey Irvin

-- Assisting – Dean Shacklock

-- Assisting – Gary Goddard

-- Scripture – Tyler Akins

Closing Prayer- Cliff Davis

Evening Service

Prayer- Roger German

Song Leader- Bill McIlvain

Comments – Scott Lucas

Communion –David Johnson

Scripture – Connor LaChappelle

Closing Prayer- Don Casper

Wednesday Night – April 29, 2015

First Prayer– Darryl Griffing

Song Leader – Dan Buselmeier

Invitation – Andy Dobbs

Closing Prayer – Trey Irvin

April 26 Evening Service: Andy Fuller

Upcoming Assignments

May	Communion	Cleaning
3	Denney	Dorn, Irvin, Williams, Griffing, Graves
10	Carr	Foxworthy, German, Sollars, Jones, Stewart

Ladies Bible Study

The ladies have a bible class scheduled for the 1st & 3rd Monday of each month. They meet here at the church building on May 4 @ 7:00PM.

Good Thoughts --

Repentance means turning from as much as you know of your sin to give as much as you know of yourself to as much as you know of your God, and as our knowledge grows at these three points so our practice of repentance has to be enlarged. — J.I. Packer



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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The Birds

1. What king's search for his rival is compared with looking for a partridge in the mountains?
2. What bird in great droves fed the Israelites in the wilderness?
3. On Mount Sinai, God told Moses that He had carried the Israelites from Egypt on the wings of a bird. What bird?
4. What father and son were, according to David, swifter than eagles?



A Good Man Who Was Lost

By David Maxson

At Caesarea there was a man named Cornelius, a centurion in what was known as the Italian Cohort, a devout man who feared God with all his household, gave alms generously to the people, and prayed continually to God. [Acts 10:1-2]

According to a survey taken by the Barna Group back in 2003, roughly two-thirds of Americans believe they are going to heaven. That same survey revealed that roughly half believed that a person can earn salvation based on good deeds apart from the saving work of Jesus Christ.



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If this is what you believe, stop and think this through. If it is true that we're saved simply because we are "good," what purpose did the cross serve? Would it make any logical sense for God to make His only Son endure such cruel punishment if it was unnecessary?

Think about Cornelius. He was a good man. He was devout, feared God, helped the poor, and prayed. But he was lost. He had to hear the gospel and respond to the good news of Jesus Christ to be saved.

Don't believe the lies of the devil! All of us have sinned and deserve to die (Romans 3:23; 6:23). Our only hope of salvation is by God's grace through our obedient faith (Ephesians 2:8-10; Galatians 3:26-27). We can't save ourselves. If we could, then Jesus died in vain.

We need to thank God for providing salvation to us through the blood of Jesus. Without Him we would be hopelessly lost!

You can read the entire article at the following address:

(<http://www.deseretnews.com/article/520033697/Most-believe-in-heaven-and-think-theyll-go-there.html?pg=all>)

[How Can We Walk On The Straight & Narrow?](#)

By Edwin Crozier

Christianity is not about a moment in time. It is not about getting baptized. It is not about a moment of repentance. Christianity is about a walk. Jesus died, not so we could be saved. Jesus died so that through saving us we might walk as God wants us to. The Book of **Ephesians** lays out directions for us and our walk.

Ephesians 2:10 says we are God's workmanship, created in Christ to walk in the good works God created beforehand. We were not recreated in Christ to sit on our hands. We were not recreated in Christ just to be forgiven. We were not recreated in Christ to simply "go to church" regularly. We were recreated in Christ to walk in good works, that is, to continually do good works.

Ephesians 4:1-3 says we are to walk in a manner worthy of our calling as Christians. It digs deeper regarding the good works we are to do. We are to walk in humility, gentleness, patience, forbearance, and unity.

Ephesians 4:17 says we must not walk as the Gentiles do, in the futility of their mind. This demonstrates there must have been a change. We once walked in that futility. Now we must be different. We no longer go to the same excess as them. We need to recognize that this is a real difference. This is not just a minor change regarding where we spend Sunday mornings. This is a change in how we walk, how we live.

Ephesians 5:2 says we must walk in love. As Jesus explained that the greatest commands were about love, we must let love govern us completely. The goal of our instruction is love. The motivation of our obedience is love. We love because God loved us. As Jesus walked in love, sacrificing Himself for us, we must walk in love sacrificing ourselves for God and others.

Ephesians 5:8-10 says we must walk as children of light striving to discern what is pleasing to the Lord. We walk as in the day, not in the night. If what we are doing is something we want to keep secret, then it is something we shouldn't be doing. We need to walk in the exact way we would if we were surrounded by an exposing light and all eyes were looking at us.

Ephesians 5:15-16 says we must walk wisely because the days are evil. That is, we do not know our time. We do not know how much time we have. Therefore we need to use the present moment wisely. Instead of wallowing in the past or dreaming about the future, we need to live in the present by walking in God's will.

Christianity is not about sitting still. It is about a journey with the Lord. We need to make sure we are walking on that journey in the proper way. Let's help each other walk on Christ's straight and narrow way.

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1. Saul's search for David [1 Samuel 26:20]
2. Quails [Exodus 16:13]
3. The eagle [Exodus 19:4]
4. Saul and Jonathan [2 Samuel 1:23]