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TRUMPET



“For if the trumpet give an uncertain sound, who shall prepare himself to the battle?” I Cor. 14:8KJV

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HOW TO BE SAVED

The Romans Road to Salvation

(God's plan of salvation is the same in all of the Bible. It is by grace, through faith in Christ.)

KJV 1611 Romans 3:23; Romans 6:23;

Romans 5:8; Romans 10:9, 10, 13

The Dirty-Necked Boy

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Luke 15:11-31

Perhaps one of the reasons this scripture means so much to me is that I identify with it because of the experiences in my own life. I learned very early in life that I was "A DIRTY NECKED BOY." It seemed when I was a little boy, my mother washed my neck and ears quite often. I am going to use the word "SCRUBBING!" My mother sure did a very good job.

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FBC Schedule of Services

Sunday School (Classes for all ages) 10:00

Sunday Morning Worship 11:00

Sunday Evening 6:00

Wednesday Evening 7:00

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CHURCH'S PASTOR-NEED MET

We thank God and rejoice in how quickly and painlessly God blessed us with a new pastor. He is Bro. Jim Allmond from Colorado. Bro. Jim and his wife Angie hope to be here in early August and their youngest son, Jeremy, plans to move here in about a month.

Thank you to all who prayed and conveyed this great need. A special thank you to Bro. and Sis. Watt for all they have done serving the LORD here. They continue to be aviation missionaries of F.B.C. So thank You LORD for the Jim Allmond family!

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The Dirty-Necked Boy... (continued from page 1)

After the death of my mother, I remember my father taking my younger brother and me to the barber shop to get a haircut. My father said, "Barber, these boys lost their mother not long ago. You might find a little dirt behind their ears." My father's statement made me think. I really was "A DIRTY NECKED BOY."

The prodigal son was "A DIRTY NECKED BOY" if there ever was one. Note the following verses of scripture:

And he said, a certain man had two sons: and the younger of them said to *his* father, Father, give me the portion of goods that falleth to *me*. And he divided unto them *his* living. And not many days after the younger son gathered all together, and took his journey into a far country, and there wasted his substance with riotous living. And when he had spent all, there arose a mighty famine in that land; and he began to be in want. And he went and joined himself to a citizen of that country; and he sent him into his fields to feed swine. And he would fain have filled his belly with the husks that the swine did eat: and no man gave unto him. And when he came to himself, he said, How many hired servants of my father's have bread enough and to spare, and I perish with hunger! I will arise and go to my father, and will say unto him, Father, I have sinned against heaven, and before thee, and am no more worthy to be called thy son: make me as one

of thy hired servants. And he arose, and came to his father. But when he was yet a great way off, his father saw him, and had compassion, and ran, and fell on his neck, and kissed him. And the son said unto him, Father, I have sinned against heaven, and in thy sight, and am no more worthy to be called thy son. But the father said to his servants, Bring forth the best robe, and put it on him; and put a ring on his hand and shoes on *his* feet: and bring hither the fatted calf, and kill *it*; and let us eat and be merry: (verses 11-23)

In these verses of scripture is revealed a great revelation of truth. You and I, like many others, have grown up in a warm, loving home. We take many things for granted. We do not appreciate them until they have slipped away. We were not conscious of what we really had. Because of our sinful nature, it is only when the blessing is gone that we are made to see the real value. I will use four words in trying to convey to you the heart of "THE DIRTY NECKED BOY!" One, "REJECTION." Two, "REPENTANCE." Three, "RETURN." Four, "REJOICING."

I. REJECTION!

The Prodigal son lost all value of what he really had in rejecting the love of his father. In the far country he "...took his journey into a far country and there wasted his substance with riotous living." (Verse 13).

The description of this statement today would be: "The gang bought a case of beer, got drunk, passed out, vomited and had a hangover."

Let me illustrate. Some years ago I conducted a Revival Meeting for a pastor friend of mine. He suggested we go make a

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visit some two miles down the road after the Sunday morning service. We pulled in the driveway. There were several cars parked. I said, "I believe they have company." The Pastor said, "We will stay only a few minutes." To our surprise they were gathered around the dining table playing poker. I quickly spoke up saying, "We did not come to break up your card game. We have come to invite you to REVIVAL SERVICES tonight at the church." We had a word of prayer and left. The pastor said, "Do you think they will come?" I said, "I don't know, but I will tell you one thing - they won't forget our visit."

What were they really doing? They were wasting their substance in riotous living. The Prodigal son's trouble began when he no longer appreciated the love of his father.

II. REPENTANCE!

Verse 17 says, "And when he came to himself, he said, How many hired servants of my father's have bread enough and to spare, and I perish with hunger!" Someone has said that means there was nothing left but Me! And, I have no excuses.

The bright lights had all gone out. The Prodigal son was now left in the dirt and filth of the hogpen. He came face to face with his riotous, wild, loose delusion. Life back home was not so bad after all.

The Prodigal son said to himself, "How many hired servants in my father's house have bread enough and to spare, and I perish with hunger!" (Verse 17). Here was a true repentance, a turning from sin. He wasn't as well off as the hired servants of his father. They were well fed. They had an extra snack at bedtime. No doubt, he remembered the scripture, "If I regard iniquity in my heart, the

Lord will not hear me" (Psalm 66:18). Prayer goes unanswered when we play with sin. Decision determines destiny, and confession is comforting. You can't stay in the "HOGPEN" and get the smell off. People will say, "You Stink!"

III. RETURN!

The Prodigal son began to evaluate. He said, "I will arise and go to my father, and say unto him, Father, I have sinned against heaven, and before thee."

Personally I cannot be happy "Dunking Donuts" when the Lord has said, "Go Make Disciples." The Prodigal son simply said, "I will go to my father and tell him I am sorry." Decision determines destiny and confession is comforting. This boy remembered where all the good blessings came from.

IV. REJOICING!

The father was anxiously waiting for his son's return..... "But when he was yet a great way off, HIS FATHER SAW HIM, and had compassion, and fell on his neck, and kissed him."

The father showed that he still loved his "DIRTY NECKED BOY"! He did not say, "son, go take a shower or bath." The father loved him just as he was. He ran and fell on his neck, and kissed him.

God does make happiness available. His invitation to every turbulent, sin-tossed soul is: "All that I have is thine!" (Verse 31). God has an unlimited supply. He never says No. The Father's love is unconditional. He never stops forgiving and loving.

Oh! God knew that my neck was dirty all the time. God put a RING of never-dying love on my finger (continued on page 8)

GHOST MEMBERS ON THE SLY

(To the tune of "Ghost Riders in the Sky"
as sung by missionary Bill Lyons Family)

Preacher went out ridin' on one Sunday afternoon
In search of straying members, and he found them all too soon.

For all at once he found a bunch of members don't you know,
Crowded in the shopping malls and at the picture shows.

Oh my! Oh me! Oh me! Oh my!
Ghost members on the sly.

Found some at the rodeo and at the football game.
Some promised they would be in church, but stayed home just the same.

The same bunch missed last Sunday night and Wednesday too you see

To watch the mini-series that was showing on T.V.

Oh my! Oh me! Oh me! Oh my!
Ghost members on the sly.

When Christians live like worldly folks they just don't understand.

Without the church's leading they can't face the devil's plan.

So better get to church my friend or with them you will ride.

And God will let the devil take the tithe right out of your hide!

Oh my! Oh me! Oh me! Oh my!
Ghost members on the sly.

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CHURCH PLANTING

Faith Baptist Church is endeavoring to be a church-planting church. A good church-home is meant to be a very fulfilling part of one's life. It should also be a very good experience each time we go to church. Also, knowing it is such a blessing to ourselves, we really should want others to have this also.

The Lord started His church while He was here on earth and left it with important work to do. This work includes telling people about His ability to save their souls, then after salvation to scripturally baptize them. Also, the Lord wants them to be very faithful to a local church of His that they can attend—not to somehow keep themselves saved, the Lord keeps that, but to attend simply because they love the Lord and want to live for Him and obey Him.

For this reason it's easy to see the need for scripturally started churches in towns and cities across the world. Faith Baptist Church is a product of this exact process, produced by Faith Baptist Church of Spokane, MO. Contact us for details if you, your friends or family is interested in seeing a Baptist church started in your locality. You may call us at:

(870) 391-1705 or (870) 427-3102

We are presently trying to see churches established in:

**Christ Church, New Zealand and
Yellville, Arkansas**

Anyone interested in the Yellville area please contact Bro. Savage at (870) 427-3102.

Anyone interested in the Fayetteville area please contact Bro. Watt at (870) 429-8346 or (870) 391-1705 cell.



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Luke 16:1-13
WHEN DOES GOD
OUT-DO MAMMON?

(Rex Savage, Jr.)

(Of course, God always out-does other gods.)

*Mammon: wealth personified; wealth god; wealth as a god.

*Note: A person or thing is kind of a god when they are placed equal with or above God.

I. When mammon is even at its best.

Verse 8 "And the lord commended the unjust steward, because he had done wisely: for the children of this world are in their generation wiser than the children of light."

II. When we know our friendship limitation with mammon.

A. Verse 4 "I am resolved what to do, that, when I am put out of the stewardship, they may receive me into their houses."

B. Verse 9 " And I say unto you, make to yourselves friends of the mammon of unrighteousness; that when ye fail, they may receive you into everlasting habitations."

C. James 4:4 "Ye adulterers and adulteresses, know ye not that the friendship of the world is enmity with God? Whosoever therefore will be a friend of the world is the enemy of God."

III. When we are faithful to God.

A. God outdoes mammon and all other gods even if we're not faithful.

B. Verse 10 "He that is faithful in that which is least is faithful also in much: and he that is unjust in the least is unjust also in much."

IV. When we recognize the unrighteousness of mammon.

A. Verse 11a "If therefore ye have not been faithful in the unrighteous mammon..."

B. Matthew 6:19-34.

V. When we recognize the true riches of God.

Verse 11b "...who will commit to your

trust the true riches?"

VI. When God is your own.

A. God becomes ours when we become His child. ("Ye must be born again." John 3:7b)

B. Verse 12 "And if ye have not been faithful in that which is another man's, who shall give you that which is your own?"

C. Above everything and everyone, we need God.

VII. When we serve God.

A. Verse 13 "No servant can serve two masters: for either he will hate the one, and love the other; or else he will hold to the one, and despise the other. Ye cannot serve God and mammon."

B. Serve God above all others.

In conclusion, salvation must come before good works. We are not saved by going to church, being a good person, by "Mom's" or "Dad's" salvation, by baptism, Lord's Supper, etc. Salvation is a gift from God that is simple to receive. "That if thou shalt confess with thy mouth the Lord Jesus, and shalt believe in thine heart that God hath raised him from the dead, thou shalt be saved." Romans 10:9 "Neither is there salvation in any other: for there is none other name under heaven given among men, whereby we must be saved." Acts 4:12 That name is Jesus – not baptism, church, etc.

Once a person is saved, they should want to be baptized and go to church, etc.; however, it must be known that this is not part of how to be saved.

"What can wash away my sin?
Nothing but the blood of Jesus;
 What can make me whole again?

Nothing but the blood of Jesus.
 Oh! Precious is the flow
 That makes me white as snow;
 No other fount I know,
Nothing but the blood of Jesus."

--Robert Lowry, 1876

Dear Sirs

I am writing in response to your "Faith Baptist Trumpet" question "Where did you get that name?"

(How to be Saved)
(The Road to Salvation)

In order to understand the Bible you must follow some sensible rules.

- 1) Who is speaking?
- 2) Who is being spoken to?
- 3) In what age were they speaking?

That being said, in Romans 1:7-9 tells us that it was written to Christians. Romans 6:23 tells us of sin and Romans 6:3-6 tells us what they did to remove that sin.

Which church should I attend? Of course the Church of Christ. It is the only one the Bible speaks of.

John **was not a** Baptist, but was the Baptist and the only one spoken of. John has no last name that we know of, just the son of Zacharias and Elisabeth. John himself said "He must increase, I must decrease." John 3:29-30, note also Mark 1:7.

The correct name for John was the Baptizer or Immerser, for this is what he did. John was a great man, and fulfilled all that was spoken of him in scriptures, but he is dead and John 3:29 speaks of a bridegroom. Who was that? Jesus Christ who lives evermore.

I will build my church, Matthew 16:18. It was named for Him, Romans 16:16,
"The Churches of Christ."
"Church of the Firstborn", Hebrews 12:23
"Church of God", Acts 20:28, for Jesus was God
note: John 1:1-2, also John 1:14

One question I will ask and I hope for your answer; where in the Bible do you find the sinners prayer you and others quote?

You quote I John 9:7-9, but that was for Christians, not sinners. Read also John 9:31 and note what Peter said they must do. Acts 2:38 "Repent and be Baptized", Acts 22:16 "Arise and be Baptized and wash away thy sins" was said to Saul. Peter said in I Peter 3:21 "Baptism doth also now save us." Why or how? Jesus shed His blood in His death, John 19:34, and we are Baptized into His death. Romans 6:3-4 also Rev. 1:5.

The Baptist church began in 1609, but you already know this.

In closing, why would Jesus die to purchase his church and then let it wear a dead man's name?

Don't think so!

Faith changes the heart—Romans 10:10

Repentance changes direction—Luke 13:3

Confession changes the allegiance—Matthew 10:32-33

Baptism changes the state of man from sinner to one saved and added to His church—Acts 2:47, I Cor. 12:13

Read also Eph. 4:4 "one body"

Please consider, (*NAME WITHHELD*)

(Reply from Editor begins on page 7)

From FBT Editor:

We present the letter on page 6 that was recently sent to us and will try to give a Scriptural response to the comments and questions asked.

3. How to be Saved.

Ans.: This is a very important question that people really do sometimes ask. I asked this many years ago and fully believe it can be a very legitimate question. Acts 16:30,31 “And brought them out, and said, Sirs, what must I do to be saved? And they said, Believe on the Lord Jesus Christ, and thou shalt be saved, and thy house.”

4. The Road to Salvation or the Romans Road of Salvation.

Ans.: The word “road” simply shows that one is presenting a step-by-step presentation of how to be saved. The word “Romans” of course is that particular book of the Bible being used to show God’s salvation plan. Of course, a person may use the other books of the Bible to do this. Acts 8:35 “Then Philip opened his mouth, and began at the same scripture, and preached unto him Jesus.”

5. Romans 1:7-9.

Ans.: Romans was indeed written to Christians, but this does not mean that how saved people became saved people is never mentioned. Here are a few of the very applicable verses to salvation in Romans: 3:10; 3:23; 5:8 (Note in Romans, which was written to Christians, Paul wrote of back when “...while we were yet sinners...”. So he definitely speaks of salvation in this book.); 6:23; 10:1-17; etc. Again, this is only a partial

list.

1. Romans 6:23.

Ans.: Romans 6:23 does tell us of sin, but it also tells us of the Saviour. That Saviour, the Lord Jesus Christ, is not to be added to or taken away from. In other words, we cannot add church to Jesus for salvation, we cannot take away His virgin birth for salvation, we cannot take away His resurrection for salvation, we cannot add baptism to Jesus for salvation, and we could go on and on with this list. People can try to do this and many do try, but they are always, absolutely, totally wrong in trying this.

2. “...Romans 6:3-6 tells us what they did to remove that sin.”

Ans.: Romans 6:3-6 is not saying that baptism removed or removes sin. In verses 3-6 Paul answers the questions he asked in verse 1. We should not mistake a shadow for a person. Jesus is the Person and things that “shadow” or “figure” or picture Him are things. Salvation is exclusively in a Person (Jesus) and not in a thing or things. If one stands out in the sun they are a person and their shadow is a thing.

The Lord’s Supper, baptism, O.T. offerings, Noah’s ark, etc. are things that are “shadows” or “figures” or pictures of the Person the Lord Jesus Christ. I Peter 3:20,21 says, “Which sometime were disobedient, when once the longsuffering of God waited in the days of Noah, while the ark was a preparing, wherein few, that is, eight souls were saved by water. The like figure whereunto even baptism doth also now save us

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