

Schedule Of Services

Sunday

Bible Study 9:30 A. M.
 Worship 10:30 A. M.
 Worship 4:00 P. M.
 2nd Sunday Potluck following the morning service. At 1:15 we will have a singing service.

Tuesday:

Ladies Class -- 10 A. M. (Sept. – June)

Wednesday

Midweek Services: 7:30 P. M.

Our Preacher:

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Live Broadcasts

We are broadcasting our worship services over the Internet.

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Works Rendon Supports:

Chuck Northrop: OABS Director.
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God's Plan For Salvation

Hear: Rom. 10:17.
Believe: Mark 16:16.
Repent: Luke 13:3, 5.
Confess: Rom. 10:9-10.
Baptism: Acts 2:38.
Be Faithful: 1 Cor. 15:58.

There is no other way!



Prayer List:

Delpha Pearce, Sophia Kersten, Brandy Smith, Edith Smith, Sherra Reeves, Geneice and Derral, Robbie and Edwina. Tip and Phyllis are both trying to manage their pain. Curtis Lallance Curtis Lallance has Guillain-Barre syndrome. A muscle weakness caused by the immune system damaging the nervous system.

Family and Friends:

Kay Tipping, Leanna Shafer, Chuck Northrop and Galen Anderson. Helen Smith, a family member of the Smiths.

(Please let me now of any that needs to be on our prayer list.)



In the Military:

Keith Pilgrim and Justin Cormier.

Welcome to Our Visitors

Thank you for choosing to worship with us. We would like to have a record of your attendance. Please fill out a visitor card. We look forward to seeing you again.

Sermon Titles for today:

AM: Encouraging Words (James 3:1-5).

PM: The Comforter (John 14:15-18).

What You Say...

What you say in a hurry,
 May cause you much worry.
 So, weigh your words well,
 What you will say.
 Ill-chosen expressions
 Oft give wrong impressions;
 So think first, then speak;
 It will pay.

(William Longhorst)

DID JESUS TURN WATER INTO AN ALCOHOLIC DRINK?

Jesus did in fact turn water into “wine,” but not intoxicating wine. Abusing John 2:7-9, many condone and promote the drinking of alcoholic beverages. A major assumption, and I emphasize assumption, is made here: that the “wine” Jesus made in this miracle was alcoholic! By what means, method or madness, do men think this wine was alcoholic? For it to have been so would violate every principle of scripture throughout the entire Bible. Consider Proverbs 23:29-35; Isaiah 5:11-12; 28:7; I Corinthians 6:9-11; Galatians 5:21; Romans 13:13. This wine was simply the juice of the grape and obviously nonalcoholic!

“Wine” in John 2 is the Greek word ***oinos***. The word itself is a generic term and does not indicate whether the wine is alcoholic or non-alcoholic. This must be determined by the context. For example: in Ephesians 5:18 it is obviously alcoholic, but in Luke 1:15 it is clearly non-alcoholic. We must, therefore, determine from the context whether the wine in John 2 was alcoholic or non-alcoholic. Notice the following points which help us understand that Jesus did not make intoxicating wine in this miracle he made grape juice.

If this wine were alcoholic, Jesus would have been contributing to their drunkenness. Verse 10 states the wine Jesus made was brought forth after they had “well drunk” i.e., drunk freely. They had already depleted the initial supply of wine and if it had been alcoholic, Jesus would have further contributed to their intoxication. Such is absolutely forbidden in Habakkuk 2:15, “Woe unto him that giveth his neighbor drink, that putteth thy bottle to him, and makest him drunken also...” Did Jesus violate this passage? Not at all!

It is considered that the wine Jesus made had to have been fermented for it was better than what they had been drinking (vs. 10). This argument says that the more intoxicating a beverage is the better it is. By such reasoning 100% alcohol would taste better than 50% or 25%. This is absurd! The best wine, according to the ancients, was that which was harmless or innocent, non-alcoholic. The best wine was the sweetest and nicest flavored, not the most intoxicating!

This miracle was done to show forth the glory of Christ (vs. 11). The making of alcohol never has and never will glorify God or man! It has been the down fall of multiplied millions through the ages (Genesis 9:20 25; 19:32 36; I Kings 16:8 10; 20:13 21; Esther 1:5 22).

WHO’S NUMBER ONE?

Joe Slater

“I have to look out for Number One!” That’s another way of saying I must concern myself first and foremost with my own interests. After all, if I don’t, nobody else will – right?

Far too many Christians have yielded to that worldly philosophy. Paul lamented, “For all seek their own, not the things which are Jesus Christ’s” (Philippians 2:21).

What does it mean to seek the things of Christ? The prior two verses tell of Timothy’s genuine care for the welfare of the brethren at Philippi, in sharp contrast to the self-seeking attitude of virtually everyone else. To act in the best interests of Christ’s people is to seek the things of Christ.

Earlier in his letter Paul had exhorted the Philippians, “Look not every man on his own things, but every man also on the things of others” (2:4). That’s the very thing Jesus did, as shown in 2:5-8. Leaving heaven in order to give Himself to die on the cross as the supreme atonement offering required extreme humility and the endurance of unspeakable pain. Jesus did it because it was in our best interest.

In Matthew 6:33 Jesus didn’t tell His disciples to “seek first your own interests” (look out for Number One). Instead, He said to “seek first the kingdom of God and His righteousness.” How seriously do we take Him when making decisions? Do we think first of what benefits the cause of Christ? Do we consider what impact (for good or for ill) our decision has on other people?

The title of this article asks, “Who’s Number One?” As the statement “I have to look out for Number One” is commonly used, Number One is you. Let’s switch that around and make Jesus “Number One.” Let’s seek the things which are of Christ!