



Prayer List:
 Sophia Kersten, Delpha Pearce, Brandy Smith, Edith Smith, Kay Johnston, Geneice and Derral, Robbie and Edwina, Tip and Phillis. Johnny had his 6-month scan on the 18th. Will get the results on the 25th. Keith Pilgrim has been deployed.

Family and Friends:
 Margaret Cannon, Mildred Crow, Shanna Battles, Curtis Lallance, Justin Siklosi, Leanna Shafer, Galen Anderson, David Lemmons, Ed and Dana Johnson, friends of the Smiths.



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: In Trying Times (**2 Kings 4:1-7**).
PM: Abide With Me.
 I am happy that we chose to attend the worship assembly (Ps. 122:1).

Just a thought...
 Nothing lies beyond the reach of prayer... except that which lies beyond the will of God. God is never inconvenienced by our prayers.

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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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!

DOES GOD KNOW ME?

Jack Williams

In Genesis 18 we read of one account of Divinity appearing unto man. Here Abraham is visited by three men, one of whom the text clearly identifies as being Jehovah (1, 13). The narrative reveals that God has a great trust in Abraham and his ability to fulfill God's plan for him. The reason for this trust is based upon what is revealed in verses 18-19 "Abraham shall surely become a great and mighty nation, and all the nations of the earth shall be blessed in him? For I know him, that he will command his children and his household after him, and they shall keep the way of the LORD, to do justice and judgment; that the LORD may bring upon Abraham that which he hath spoken of him."

Here an amazing statement is made, God says, "I know him." As my grandchildren would say, "This is awesome!" God had confidence in Abraham because of his holy and graceful nature. This enabled God to have assurance that Abraham would fulfill his responsibility toward his children and household – "he will command" them and "they shall keep the way of the LORD..." (19).

Now back to our title – "Does God know me?" Each of us has responsibilities toward self, to be that pure and holy individual as was Abraham (2 Corinthians 13:5; James 1:27; Titus 2:11-14). But think of your responsibilities to others, especially if you have been blessed with children (Ephesians 6:1-4; Proverbs 22:6). God had confidence in Abraham that the blessings he gave to Abraham would continue in his descendants because of his personal life and the teachings and example he would give to his family.

The other day I listened as a young mother talked about an offer and opportunity made regarding one of her sons. She had been encouraged to involve him in an activity which he would no doubt enjoy, as would the rest of the family. She and her husband considered it and examined the details of it. I sat proudly listening to her as she recounted why he would not be involved in this opportunity.

She noted there was a huge commitment of time, but the thing that sealed the decision to reject the opportunity was very simple – it would entail a conflict with previous commitments made on Wednesday and Sunday to worship God and assemble with the saints. When that became obvious her response was clear – "That settled it! No way would he be doing that."

I happily thought of her, her husband and the many other parents I know who make such decisions regularly to seek the kingdom first (Matthew 6:33). I thought of how blessed the children of such parents are. God knows their Mom and Dad! He knows that His will can be fulfilled in the lives of these godly parents and the children they are raising!

God had confidence in Abraham because he knew he would teach and encourage his children to be and do as God willed. What of me? Can God depend on me to do the same with my children? Does God know me?

A DIRTY FACE CAN BE WASHED

Jesse Dickison – adapted

And the sinner can be cleansed by the blood of Christ. Hebrews 9:23 declares that "apart from the shedding of blood is no remission." John states "...the blood of Jesus his Son cleanseth us from all sin" (1 John 1:7). No "cleansing agent" that we might devise could cleanse sins – only that which God has provided. "For God so loved the world, that he gave his only begotten Son, that whosoever believeth in him should not perish but have everlasting life" (John 3:16). Paul writes, "For by grace are ye saved through faith, and that not of yourselves: it is the gift of God" (Ephesians 2:8).

Yet, just looking in a mirror does not wash a face and just studying the Bible does not bring God's blessings. Notice what Jesus said in Luke 6:46, "Why call ye me Lord, Lord, and do not the things that I say?" Peter tells us that we "...purify our souls by obeying the truth" (1 Peter 1:22). It is when we see in the Bible God's will for us and do it that God saves us (James 1:25).

The Bible as a mirror reflects our spiritual condition. It reveals God's requirements for us, and we can see in our lives, whether or not we have met them. If we are "hearers only" and not "doers," then "there remaineth no more sacrifice for sins" (Hebrews 10:26). If we are not obeying His teachings, we can only expect to hear Him say in the final day, "Depart ye cursed into everlasting fire prepared for the devil and his angels" (Matthew 25:41b).

God promised a day of judgment when "each of us shall give account" (Romans 14:12). Study the Bible for yourself – know your spiritual state as He reveals it in His Word. Determine that you will be a "doer of the word." Your eternity depends on it!

