

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:

Toney L. Smith – (817) 483-1240

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Live Broadcasts

We are broadcasting our worship services over the Internet.

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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!



Rendon's Prayer List:

Sophia Kersten, Delpha Pearce, Brandy Smith, Edith Smith, Kay Johnston, Larry Lallance, Johnny Graham. Geneice and Derral, Robbie and Edwina, Tip and Phillis, Debby Smith and Edith Smith.

Family and Friends:

Rocky Craig, Curtis Lallance, Ashleigh Martinez, the granddaughter of Darlene Scott and April Lidell. Also remember Jeff Reeves (Frank and Sherra's nephew) and Todd Reeves (Frank and Sherra's son) both will have surgery in the near future.



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.

Today's Sermons

AM: We Must Choose (Josh. 24:15).

PM: Song: I Am Coming Lord (Matt. 11:28).

Rendon Directory:

We will be putting the Rendon directory together this coming week. Please take a minute to check your information. Check birthday, anniversaries as well as addresses.

The New Birth.

Toney L. Smith

In **John 3:1-5**, Jesus emphasized the need for one to be born again. When Jesus made this statement, Nicodemus was confused as to the meaning of such a statement. Today many are still confused concerning this statement, especially in the way in which to achieve the New Birth.

Do we really think that Jesus was trying to say something that was not to be understood? Was this ever the case in the teachings of our Lord? And especially so concerning the way to achieve the new birth which He said was a necessity for one's entering the kingdom.

Surely, we cannot think that this would be something that He would shroud with an unsolvable mystery. No, it can be said with certainty that whatever Christ meant, it was a thing that you and I can know.

The new birth is not some mystical experience. It is a practical action that all must become familiar with. When we discuss the new birth there are at least four things that are to take place in connection with birth: (1) there must be a seed, (2) there must be a seedbed (3) there must be one that sows the seed, and (4) there must be a reception and germination. This is true in the physical realm as well as in the spiritual. In the spiritual area, we find these things present in this manner:

1. The seed to be sown is God's Word (**James 1:18; 1 Peter 1:23; Luke 8:11**).
2. The seedbed into which the seed is sown is the heart of man (**Luke 8:12-15**).
3. The sower is the one that will take that Word and take it to those who are lost. He is the individual who fulfills the Great Commission (**Matthew 28:18-20; Mark 16:15-16**).
4. The reception and germination are achieved when one is responsive to the Gospel by obedience to it (**Luke 8:9-15; Romans 10:17; Acts 2:38, 41; Romans 6:17-18**).

Baptism in water is the action expressed by one who believes and is willing to obey the simple teaching of the Gospel (**Romans 1:16; Act**

22:16). The new birth is coming into a newness of life. When man sins he dies spiritually (**Ezekiel 18:20; Isaiah 59:11-2**), he is separated from God and thus must be reconciled to Him. Christ came to bring about this reconciliation (**John 10:10; Ephesians 2:1-5**). This new life begins when one comes to Christ repenting of sin and by being baptized. The new life requires complete obedience to the Father's will. Not before!

It is plain from the above passages that the new birth and man's salvation are the same. Whatever is required for salvation is necessary for the new birth (**John 6:44-45; 8:24; Luke 13:3; Mark 16:16**). One cannot be saved without fulfilling all requirements. And one cannot be born again without immersion in water for the remission of sins (**Acts 2:38**).

Baptism and Man's Salvation.

Author Unknown

Jesus said, "He that believeth and is baptized shall be saved; but he that believeth not shall be damned" (**Mark 16:16**). Notice the Lord said, one who (1) Believes; and (2) Is baptized; (3) Shall be saved. Notice what Jesus did not say. Christ did not say, "He that believes is saved (at the point of belief) and should be baptized."

Men may teach such, but Christ never did. His Word, the New Testament of Christ, teaches plainly that baptism (a burial in water for the remission of sins (**Romans 6:3-4; Colossians 2:12; Acts 2:38**) is essential to salvation. Ananias told the penitent believer Saul (Paul), "And now why tarriest thou? arise, and be baptized, and wash away thy sins, calling on the name of the Lord" (**Acts 22:16**). Paul's sins were not washed away until he obeyed the word of the Lord by being baptized.

One's sins today are not washed away until he, as a penitent believer, obeys the Word of the Lord by being buried in water for the remission of sins. Have you obeyed His Word?