

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.

Our website address:

<https://rendonchurchofchrist.com/>

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BIBLEWAYMEDIA.ORG

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Works Rendon Supports:

Chuck Northrop: OABS Director.
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Oologah, OK Internet Radio.
Cherokee Children's Home.

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:

Barbara Archey, Sherra Reeves, Sophia Kersten, Delpha Pearce, Edith Smith, Larry Lallance, Johnny Graham, Geneice and Derral, Robbie and Edwina, Tip and Phillis, Scott and Amy.

Sympathy:

To Madison and her family in the loss of her grandmother Jenine Duarte.

Family and Friends:

Leanna Shafer, Marv Emerson, Robert Smith, Rocky Craig, Ashleigh Martinez, Jeff Reeves. Rocky Craig has an appointment in Oklahoma City to meet with doctors that may be able to help with his eyesight.

Welcome to Our Visitors

Thank you for choosing to worship with us. Please fill out a visitor card.



In the Military:

Keith Pilgrim and Justin Cormier.

Today's Sermons.

AM: God Loves Us (Rom. 5:1-8).

PM: Sinful Nature (Psalm 139:14).

JOIN US IN OUR BIBLE CLASSES:

Sunday morning, we are studying the Beatitudes from Matthew 5:1-12.

Wednesday evening, we are answering questions about various topics.

BUILD A HIGH WALL.

Toney L. Smith

Our title *Build A Wall* may stand out due to the current discussions in our nation. Walls are used to separate and provide protection. The word itself is defined as “an enclosure chiefly for defense” (Merriam-Webster). The Biblical account of Nehemiah is one of the most thrilling



and edifying revelations found in Holy Writ. Judah had been carried into captivity because they had turned from God and would not repent. Jeremiah the prophet informed Judah that they would be in captivity 70 years. At the end of the 70 years, they would be returned to their homeland (Jeremiah 29:10-14). In fact, inspiration even stated that King Cyrus would be on the throne and that he would set them free (Isaiah 42:1; Ezra 1:1-2).

The captives came out in three groups.

Zerubbabel led the first returnees (Ezra chapters 1-6), Ezra was the leader of the second group (Ezra chapters 7-10) and Nehemiah was chosen to lead the third and final group back to their beloved Jerusalem. Zerubbabel restored the altar and the temple. Ezra brought the Law of Moses back to the people who had forgotten the commandments of God. Nehemiah was the last to return, and he would repopulate the city and build walls to protect the people from invasions. As the wall was being built there those who opposed its building and set out to stop the construction (Nehemiah 4:1-14). Nehemiah put men in place to protect those who were laboring on the wall; “So we laboured in the work: and half of them held the spears from the rising of the morning till the stars appeared” (Nehemiah 4:21). Ultimately, the wall was built by those who loved their country and realized the protection it provided.

There are great lessons to be learned from the rebuilding of the walls and the restoration of the city of Jerusalem. We should build walls today

to protect and defend ourselves against the devil and his influence upon our lives. Notice some walls we should build...

1. We must build a wall of defense against error. Satan is no sleeping lion! He is in continual pursuit of his prey which of course is you and me (1 Peter 5:8). One of the devil's most powerful tools against us today is indifference to the enemy. Nehemiah knew Sanballat's intention and prepared the people for the defense against his intentions (Nehemiah 4:10). He then stood continually prepared for the opposition even as they worked (Nehemiah 4:4:16-23). Every Christian must be ready, willing and able to “earnestly contend for the faith” (Jude 3).
2. Another wall of defense is to learn and teach the truth to others. Ezra brought the word of God to the people so they could understand the Lord's will, “And Ezra the priest brought the law before the congregation both of men and women, and all that could hear with understanding...” (Nehemiah 8:2). Knowledge and understanding are walls of defense against daily temptations. Jesus was tempted three times in Matthew 4:1-11. He overcame Satan's influence by quoting scripture. With each temptation our Lord said, “it is written.” We can win the battle against Satan and his henchmen when we “put on the whole armor of God” (Ephesians 6:10-20).
3. A strong and constant prayer life is a powerful wall of defense. When Nehemiah heard that his beloved city was in disarray, he prayed (Nehemiah 1:4). When he was informed that there was an approaching enemy he prayed (Nehemiah 4:9). He demonstrated his dependency upon God by those prayers. We can fortify and strengthen our lives through prayer as well. Jesus said, “Pray that ye enter not into temptation” (Luke 22:40).

Good people let us build a wall strong and high by being faithful to the Lord. The enemy cannot penetrate the wall of faith. Build your wall high and strong. Do not let our enemy, the devil trespass into our lives.