

Schedule Of Services

Sunday

Bible Study 9:30 A. M.
Worship 10:30 A. M.
Worship 4:00 P. M.

Wednesday

Midweek Services: 7 P. M.

2nd Sunday Potluck following the morning service. At 1 PM we will have a singing service.

Tuesday:

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

Our Preacher:

Toney L. Smith – (817) 914-0349

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Works Rendon Supports:

Chuck Northrop.
Online Academy of Biblical Studies.
Bibleway Media.
Cherokee Home For Children.
Texas School of Preaching.
Foster's Children's Home (Stephensville, TX)

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, Sophia Kersten, Edith Smith, Larry Lallance, Darlene Scott, Robbie Roth, Geneice, and Derral.

Family and Friends:

Leanna Shafer, Paula and Sandy (Frank, and Sherra's nieces). Justin Siklosi (Christine's grandson). Edith has asked us to pray for her son (Tommy McGuire) and for her cousins, Sherry Bigham and Richard Endsley. Mary Lou Joseph and Joyce Morris (Friends of Toney and Debby).



In the Military:

Keith Pilgrim and Justin Cormier.

Welcome to Our Visitors

Thank you for choosing to worship with us. Please fill out a visitor card. We would like to have a record of your attendance with us. If traveling, we pray for your safe journey

Sermon Titles:

AM: Noah's Salvation and Ours.
PM: Preparing For The Prepared Place.

The Rendon wall calendar is on the foyer table. Make sure you pick one up. Join us in a study of the Minor Prophets (Sunday and Wednesday).

****We rejoice that Reagan Smith obeyed the gospel last Lord's Day.***

ZEAL FOR TRUTH.

Toney L. Smith

Romans 10:1-2 “Brethren, my heart’s desire and prayer to God for Israel is, that they might be saved. For I bear them record that they have a zeal of God, but not according to knowledge.”

In Revelation chapter 3, we are shown a vivid picture of a church described as lukewarm. The church at Laodicea was neither hot nor cold but was in such a state that the Lord would “spew” them out of his mouth. The problem with these brethren was that they had no zeal for the Lord and His truth. They were caught up in other things that required their attention. For this reason, the truth was made to suffer in that community.

Zeal is defined as: “to seek or desire eagerly, to earnestly want or to be jealous.” In **2 Corinthians 7:7**, the word zeal is seen when Paul says, “wherewith he was comforted in you, when he told us your earnest desire, your mourning, your fervent mind toward me; so that I rejoiced the more.” Thus, zeal carries the idea of having a fervent mind. Its fundamental meaning relating to truth is to be a burning, ardent, and overwhelming desire to know and practice truth.

In the world today, it is evident that lukewarm is normal. There is little concern for that which God has spoken. More often than not, the idea is: “do what makes you happy,” or “it matters not what you do, God will understand and be happy with you.” There is a zeal for neutrality in spiritual matters. It is far too often the case that God’s people are as they were in Amos chapter six, where we find these words: “Woe to them that are at ease in Zion” (**vs. 1**). Being at ease or lukewarm will sell one into the bondage of sin.

Is there not now a need to awaken from slumber and once again have a strong zeal for truth? There is a great need for rekindling zeal so that truth will shine brightly upon a world that is in darkness. The world is rushing headlong into eternity without the light of God’s

Word, and the church is quickly slipping into apostasy in many places because brethren are “at ease in Zion.”

The evidence of a weakening position relative to denominationalism is clearly seen. Some are busy trying to whitewash denominationalism by extending fellowship to denominationalists (**Ephesians 5:11**). Some can find no distinction whatsoever between the churches of Christ and the man-made religious groups. We even hear where some call those who oppose such things as “weaker brethren.” I, for one, feel that it is time to stand zealously in defense of the gospel of Christ (**Jude 3**). And that includes opposing every false way.

Our brethren in the First Century were zealous for truth. They were so zealous that they opposed religious groups, individuals, and whole government bodies as they defended and protected God’s truth (**Acts 5:12-32**). Brethren, have we ever stopped to realize the great debt which we owe those brave saints? Without them, truth surely would have suffered at the hands of its enemies. Today, zeal for truth must once again be set ablaze, never to be extinguished.

Being zealous is to stand for God and to oppose all that would oppose him. In **Numbers 25**, the wrath of God was turned away from Israel because Phinehas acted against sin in the camp. Just think about it today—sin is often allowed to grow and grow within the body of Christ. In doing so, are we not becoming an afflicted people because we tolerate sin (a lack of zeal for truth)?

Zeal for truth must be restored. If not, we will see an apostasy of such magnitude that it will stagger the mind. Men are leaving Bible authority and doing those things that will destroy them. Zeal for truth is a must if Christianity is to be magnified. Zeal can only be restored when men love God’s Word, live God’s Word, and long for others to have it. May we ever follow the admonition in **Revelation 3:19** “As many as I love, I rebuke and chasten: *be zealous* therefore, *and repent*.”