#### **Seek The Truth**

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The most important aspect of Christianity is to seek the truth no matter what others might say. THE truth, not a truth, is the will of God. Outside the will of God danger lurks. "See to it that no one takes you captive through philosophy and empty deception, according to the traditions of men, according to the elementary principles of the world, rather than according to Christ." (Col. 2:8)

It is your personal responsibility to not be taken captive through following teachings and ideas that are not part of Christ. The greatest danger in this is being taken captive by the power of sin itself. Sin is looking for ways to take back control and one of the easiest ways is to get you following teachings and philosophies that are religious looking but not the will of God. It might make us feel good but feelings are not the truth. The only thing that can set a person free is the truth. The truth is singular! There is only one teaching that can set one free and we must be humble and willing to seek that truth. Only by abiding in the words of Jesus can bring us knowledge of the truth (John 8:31-32).

Jesus points out clearly that "if anyone hears My sayings, and does not keep them, I do not judge him; for I did not come to judge the world but to save the world. He who rejects Me, and does not receive My sayings, has one who judges him; the word I spoke is what will judge him at the last day." (John 12:47-48) Jesus allows anyone to reject His sayings! But to reject His word is a rejection of Jesus Himself no matter how one feels or thinks. It is a huge mistake to not want the truth to enlighten our minds to God's will.

Paul told Timothy: "Consider what I say, for the Lord will give you understanding in everything." (II Tim. 2:7) If we are going to come to understanding we must pay close attention to what was spoken and taught by Jesus as His apostles taught His word. John points out that in the first century, after preaching and teaching the truth, there were those who departed from the truth that was established and gone out into the world with other teachings (I John 2:18-19). It didn't take long for people to depart from the truth. There were people, who once were part of the truth, that were now trying to deceive those who held to the truth (I John 2:26). John says to hold to the anointing, the truth, to stay with you as no lie is of the truth (I John 2:27).

We must seek the truth. There are too many following, listening and reasoning that whatever they deem as religious must be okay because they quote from Scripture. We must hold to the truth of the Scripture and not allow anyone to take us captive to something else. If it is not according to Christ, it's not the truth!!!

### *NEWSLETTER*

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#### Schedule of Services

Sunday AM Bible Study 9:45 AM

Sunday AM Worship 11:00 AM

\* Sunday PM Worship

Wednesday PM Bible Study 7:00 PM

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\* There is no PM service on the 5th Sunday of the month.



### We welcome all who are here today.

6:00 PM

If you are a visitor we are honored to have you with us. Please fill out a *Visitor Card* (on the back of the pew in front of you) so we may have a record of your visit. Later in the service we will pass around a collection plate. As a visitor you are obviously not expected to give but we would like for you to place the *Visitor Card* in the collection plate. Thanks.

There is a nursery at the rear of the auditorium up the stairs for infant care.

# Please keep cell phones and other noise making devices silent during worship.

We offer a free Bible Correspondence Course

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Phil Sanders www.searchtv.org Time Warner Cable Channel 2 Tuesday 5:30 AM Friday 4:30 PM

## Friendly Reminder - BLUE LIGHT

When the "blue light" is lit at the front of the auditorium it means "Quiet Please"

**Prayer List** In our prayers let's praise God, recognize His greatness, and thank Him for His blessings.

**Those that attend:** Joe Pitts, Mildred Lynum, Bill Flanagan, Anna Brink, Frank Marsden, Bill Kinney, Pat Hazlett, David Alcorn, Darlene Reed, Butts & Edie Sumner, Diane Mellott, Chris Highway, Candi Butcher, Cheryl Mellott, Joyce Cameron, Willow McFarland, Tahlia Willis, Logan Bennett, Joan Campbell-Cook, Kyra Kyle, Bev McArthur, and Maria Swindlehurst.

**People in other places:** Renee Kinney, Tim Mellott and family, T.J., Wednesday Rahelich, Jack Openshaw, Paul Stewart, Betty Leistner and also Denise Garlitz' grandchildren, Mary Lou, Carol's sister Holly, Frank's niece, Tony & Egla Grana, Susan Barrett & family, Karen Anstee, Randy Marten, Doris & Mary Jane Mess, George Beckwith, Michelle Phillips, Red & Goldie Crow, Richard Lewis, Samantha Allee, and Brenda Baptiste.

#### **Updates:**

Maria Swindlehurst is concerned about her high heart rate.

Karen & Joe Costanzo, friends of Denise Garlitz, are having problems with their daughter.

Cindy, age 18-24, the daughter of a recent acquaintance of Louella's, had brain surgery June 9.

Cheryl Wheeler, a friend of Darlene Reed, is in rehab in Gasport with cellulitis and has kidney problems.

Patrick, Brenda Nelson's friend, may be having surgery in the near future.

Levi, Leslie Wilmot's grandson, an infant, just had surgery.

Shelly Tucker, a friend of Candy Butcher, is requesting prayers for family members with health problems.

Loretta Gorito, Shelly's Aunt, has an aneurysm in her stomach Kay Ables, Shelly's cousin, has MS and Lupus.

Red Crow was recently hospitalized with an infection. Jeanne Johns came home from rehab Wednesday June 28.

Emily Sestack, Sherry Carter's aunt in Delaware, fell Friday and broke her other hip.

## **Upcoming Events**

July 15 Men's Breakfast 8:30 AM

**July 16** Men's Business Meeting after the morning worship.

**July 21** Ladies fellowship, 6:30 PM at the building.

July 21-23 Gospel Mtg. Jamestown church of Christ Posting to come.

**July 23-29** Camp

July 30 Area-wide 5th Sunday Singing hosted by LaSalle church of Christ

Aug. 06 Potluck (Groups 1, 2, & 3 to setup & cleanup)

Gage Kelly, Jim & Cheryl Mellott's grandson, will graduate from Marine basic at Paris Island on July 15th.

#### **Notice**

The Men's Business Meeting has decided that starting in August we will no longer have Sunday evening services. We will be hosting the Area-wide fifth Sunday Singing on July 30th and as of August 6th we will no longer be meeting Sunday evenings. We understand this is a major change but feel it is the right decision at this time. Thank you for your support and encouragement. — Men of the Men's Business Meeting

Sun. AM Adult Bible Study 1 Corinthians Trays Today: Jessica Alcorn

**Sermon Topic Today:** What Jonah Learned About God

**Scripture Reading:** Jonah 1:1-3

Sun. PM Bible Study Daniel 1-6

Sunday PM Bible Study - Weekly Questions

1. What is the situation or problem?

2. What is the meaning for the original readers?

3. What is the meaning for the modern church, or believer?

4. What do we learn about God?

(or, What do you think God might think or feel about the situation or problem?

5. What is the meaning YOU got from the reading?

Tuesday Ladies' Bible Study Will resume Tuesday Sept. 5th.

Wed. PM Bible Study 1 & 2 Samuel



Read Me

#### **HELP NEEDED**

The emblems for the Lord's Table are prepared for our worship service each Sunday by a group of dedicated servants. Additional help is needed to clean up the emblems after worship services. It would only take a few minutes of your time and all volunteers would be on a rotation basis. Please see Sharron Ganntt if you are interested in serving in this important ministry.

Heart & Soul - 939 Ontario Ave. Niagara Falls, NY
They need 5 people to help serve food.
July 29th and also Aug. 26th
from 10 AM until 1:30 PM See Louella Hopkins if you have questions.

Area-Wide Fifth Sunday Singing
hosted by the LaSalle Church
July 30, starting at 3:30 PM
Remember to bring plenty of finger foods for our guests. (our evening service will be cancelled)



Please check the "Love One Another" and "Answered Prayers" boards in the back of the auditorium.