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Schedule of Services

Sunday:
Bible Class..... 9:00 a.m.
AM Worship...10:00 a.m.
PM Worship.... 6:00 p.m.

Wednesday:
Bible Study.... 7:30 p.m.

Tuesday:
Ladies' Bible Class(Sept.–Apr.)
Class meets at 10 a.m.

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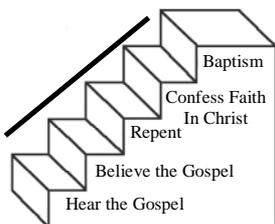
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**THE GOSPEL PLAN
OF SALVATION**

Hear-Romans 10:17
Believe-John 8:24
Repent-Acts 17:30
Confess-Romans 10:10
Be Baptized-Acts 22:16
Saved - in Christ (Galatians 3:27)



Perjury and False Witness

Don Hatch

Perjury is the willful act of swearing a false oath or affirmation when one has pledged to tell nothing but the truth. It is where the underlying principle upon which jurisprudence functions are destroyed. If a witness falsely promises to tell the truth concerning a matter which affects an individual, his family or wellbeing and if it is the determination upon which a legal result is established then only the truth will suffice. Perjury is a serious offense which usurps the power of the court and will result in a miscarriage of justice. In the United States of America it is felony with a prison sentence attached for an individual who commits perjury. In the case of wrongful death in a capital crime the perjurer can be prosecuted for wrongful execution.

The rule of perjury applies to a person under oath who gives officials information that leads to the false arrest of an individual. Documents signed which are not true can have a devastating effect on others' lives. Items which may take an interpretation of the facts do not fall under the prevue of perjury. Inaccurate conclusions and honest mistakes without the intent to deceive are often called "honest mistakes" [oxymoron] because the recollection may be inaccurate or may have a different perception of the event.

Details spoken under careful examination in a court of law must be carefully and clearly understood that if the pledge is in God's name it must be holy as "He is Holy". God's Law stresses that while in the way of holiness and sanctification "Ye shall be holy: for I the Lord your God am holy" (Lev 19:2). Such an ideal is the prerequisite of every law. It prohibits gossip, tale bearing and perjury in court.

The law is the way of holiness and sanctification. The Old Testament law was called "The Holiness Code" because of its special insistence on purity of motive and speech. Perverting and manipulation of the law was an adulteration of moral principles upon which society rested. In such a way the law was clouded in its meanings and gave a function which was not proper. Too little has been said about a comparable sin of apostasies of religious groups who show no respect for biblical law. The infiltration of modernists' interpretation of law introduces new doctrines

unfit for spiritual consumption. Biblical law requires progressive submission to the holiness of God and impartial observance by which eminence is given to people or cultures. The ninth commandment maintains and promotes truth between man and man and the keeping of our neighbors good name, especially as witnesses to their affairs (Mat 15:19; 1 Tim 1:10). The greatness of truth is the bedrock of an observance of law.

A long dreary chronicle of the horrors of perjury could be sited to illustrate how badly a culture or people become who seek to claim rightness apart from the law (1 Tim 1:3-11). Some have used self-torture, flagellations [whipping or flogging as a religious practice for the mortification of the flesh], fastings, course garments and a variety of devices to claim an "apparent self-righteousness". Individuals have rolled themselves on thorns, lived in caves, treated their bodies with such disregard that they became emaciated and often died. Perjury, in spite of all the different contrivances manufactured by man, is never acceptable nor is it to be tolerated. A willful act of perjury is seen when there is a claim that the most willful sinner, who has committed terrible things and changes, make them more valuable than others is ostensibly a claim that undermines truth. Any sinner changing is important to the Lord. However, none go through conversion in order to be more important than others. All are servants.

False prophets are expressly to be noted as "false witnesses" concerning God (Deut 18:9-11). Jesus Christ was predicted and the denials of other prophets were pronounced (Acts 3:22-26; Deut 18:15). No tricks of magic or rituals of any sort, performed by a false prophet, can coerce God. The law banned idolatry as a means to speak for God or communicate with the unseen world. God does not reveal Himself in answer to rites and rituals, nor does He prosper mankind because of gifts and bribes. Unlawful rites representing a means to draw near to a "no-god" reveals the impact perjury has on a religious community. The basis of the gospel is law (Rom 3 &5). Failing to teach the whole counsel of God is as bogus as being a false prophet. Those who teach and partially present the truth of God wrest it unto their own destruction (2 Pet 3:14-18).

A Christ centered, law-ordered society cannot tolerate malefactors, false witnesses or destroyers who seek to dissolve the way of righteousness. Those who subscribe to hidden conspiracies and radical means to control mankind ascribe the kingdom to evil. Such is perjury. Evil is serious, ferocious and poisonous because sinners do it. We need to seek deliverance from such evil. Pity the righteous who are afflicted, the victim of offences, the poor and needy, but never a perjurer.

FAMILY CARE
A Message from Our Shepherds

We continue to be richly blessed at Belt Line Road. This past Lord's Day was wonderful for our spiritual family with several visitors in attendance. Belt Line has great teachers who are committed to teaching the true Gospel. What a great blessing and opportunity for those of all ages!

Does our society today see anyone sin anymore? It seems that we don't hear much about sinning anymore, and whenever we do commit sin, we usually can manage to come up with some good excuses for our actions. God's laws are unchanging; however, things that were wrong and frowned upon in the past have now become acceptable to many of our brethren, and most people in our society.

Matt 7:18-24- "A good tree cannot bring forth evil fruit, neither can a corrupt tree bring forth good fruit. Every tree that does not bring forth good fruit is hewn down, and cast into the fire. Wherefore by their fruits ye shall know them. Not everyone that saith unto me, Lord, Lord, shall enter into the kingdom of heaven; but he that doeth the will of my Father which is in heaven. Many will say to me in that day, Lord, Lord, have we not prophesied in thy name? And in thy name have cast out devils, and in thy name done many wonderful works? And then will I profess unto them, I never knew you: depart from me, ye that work iniquity. Therefore whoever hears these sayings of mine, and does them, I will liken him to a wise man who built his house on a rock". This is how we ought to be every day of our lives.....That is doing God's will!

Have a great week serving God and keeping his commandments! Everyone that can attend should be gathered with the saints when we assemble. If you are not present, you are "missed" and a "void" is created. Be an example to others! Encourage those you know that are able, but are slack in attendance. Please pray for our sick and shut-in! Dean Webb

"Be not many of you teachers, my brethren, knowing that we shall receive heavier judgment. For in many things we all stumble. If any stumbleth not in word, the same is a perfect man, able to bridle the whole body also. Now if we put the horses' bridles into their mouths that they may obey us, we turn about their whole body also. Behold, the ships also, though they are so great and are driven by rough winds, are yet turned about by a very small rudder, whither the impulse of the steersman willeth. So the tongue also is a little member, and boasteth great things. Behold, how much wood is kindled by how small a fire! And the tongue is a fire: the world of iniquity among our members is the tongue, which defileth the whole body, and setteth on fire the wheel of nature, and is set on fire by hell. For every kind of beasts and birds, of creeping things and things in the sea, is tamed, and hath been tamed by mankind. But the tongue can no man tame; it is a restless evil, it is full of deadly poison. Therewith bless we the Lord and Father; and therewith curse we men, who are made after the likeness of God: out of the same mouth cometh forth blessing and cursing. My brethren, these things ought not so to be. Doth the fountain send forth from the same opening sweet water and bitter? Can a fig tree, my brethren, yield olives, or a vine figs? Neither can salt water yield sweet.

Wisdom

Jehovah possessed me in the beginning of his way, before his works of old. I was set up from everlasting, from the beginning, before the earth was (Prov 8:22, 23).

The use of knowledge in a right manner, making choices which have a praiseworthy conclusion and using the most credible means to accomplish any deed requires knowledge. Wisdom is an act which affects one both spiritually and physically in an outcome which is worthy. Judging what is just, proper, best, useful and has redemptive value takes consideration and acquirement of knowledge. The conducive and practical use of knowledge grows into wisdom in a discreet manner because it respects sound judgment and its exercise to avoid evil. Wisdom is prudent and attempts good.

Wisdom is gained by experience and learns inestimable values which exert great influence. Families hope that their offspring will seek dignity, honor and wisdom yielding their lives to the noble pursuits. Teaching a child to reason is vital and guiding them to accept things which promote spiritual wellbeing is mandatory. Often the battle for a child's mind, heart and soul starts very early. Being prompted often gives greater strength to the child to make godly decisions. Human learning often eradicates spiritual learning through music, arts and science.

"**By faith Moses**, when he was grown up, refused to be called the son of Pharaoh's daughter; choosing rather to share ill treatment with the people of God, than to enjoy the pleasures of sin for a season; accounting the reproach of Christ greater riches than the treasures of Egypt: for he looked unto the recompense of reward. By faith he forsook Egypt, not fearing the wrath of the king: for he endured, as seeing him who is invisible" (Heb 11:24-28). Moses chose godly wisdom. He demonstrated dexterity of mind, heart and soul as he executed the decree from God to lead the nation of Israel through the long exodus.

Wisdom of this world, humanist teachings, carnal practices and craftiness promotes their own agendas and temporal interests called fleshly wisdom (1 Cor 2:2). Wisdom that is artificial leads to trickery and fraud. Bible writers see the intelligence of wisdom from God as something to study with great endeavor like others look at worldly wisdom. Godly wisdom has an interest in all of the affairs of man, animals and plants. Godly wisdom seeks to know the will of God. Shrewdness is applied to the person who seeks out the thoughts which proceed from "wise men" and their writings are considered inspired of God. Those who had lived under the patronage of God were distinguishable by their holy lives. The stress given to Bible writers must never be minimized. The religious individual who spends a lifetime learning and knowing God's ways has used his time well.

Jesus fit every aspect of one who advanced in wisdom and stature with God and man (Lk 2:52). His insightful teachings and sermons manifested great wisdom. As "God with us" Jesus uniquely demonstrated to His disciples that wisdom was imperative. When Paul wrote to the Corinthians he insisted that the wisdom of man is void of salvation, but the wisdom of God was the guiding light unto salvation (1 Cor 2:1-6). Each section of the Bible gives checks and balances wherein the disciple learns to discern that there is a wisdom which comes from above (Jas 3:13-15).

Don Hatch

Family News:

News at Belt Line.
Call in your information to the office at:
972-790-8606 by Sunday evening.

GREETER ASSIGNMENTS

March 2, 2014

Front foyer: Richard & Carolyn Renfro

Back foyer: Nancy Pond & Myrtle Wade

March 9, 2014

Front foyer: Henry Seidmeyer & Doris Selby

Back foyer: Mike & Elizabeth Garrison

Sermon Titles

March 2, 2014

a.m: "He Staggered Not"

Scripture: Genesis 22:1-8

p.m: "Character Is Molded"

Scripture: 2 Kings 4:17-25

March 9, 2014

a.m: "Victory Through Yielding"

Scripture: Genesis 26:17-28

p.m: "Joseph A Suffer"

Scripture: Genesis 37:1-5

Contribution Counters For March

Bobby England & Mike Garrison

Communion Preparation For March

Dale & Katherine Cox

MISSION PRINTING

Mission Printing will meet **Sunday** at 4:00 p.m. in the Jr. Auditorium to collate booklets. Please come help us and enjoy the Christian fellowship.

PRAYER LIST

Ongoing Health Concerns:

Bobby Bowen, Jane Easter,
Frances LaFerney, Tom Prince,
*Tom Head, Ronnie Vaughn,
Bill Matthews

Homebound Members:

Hank Henry, Elsie Nanney, Roy
& Helen Thomas, Mary Walker,
Marietta Houser, Geardean
Jones

Recovering at Home:

. **Elizabeth Garrison** recent MRI showed that she has a fracture in her knee.

. **Mary Elaina Vaughan** was taken to the doctor last Monday and was diagnosed with strep throat. She is much better as of today.

There are many others who are suffering with various illnesses. Please keep them in your daily prayers.

Nursing Home:

Billie Myers – Northgate Plaza
Fauna Garrett – Emerall Hills
Rehab Center

Dorothy Smith – Avalon
Elsie Nanney – Elm Croft

Hospital: none at the present time

Military:

Chris and Abigail Mathews –
Abigail has been assigned to
Korea for a month.

Other Requests:

Ann Bockman, the mother of **Carolyn Montgomery** is having health issues and is need of our prayers.

Please keep all missionaries all over the world in your prayers.

LADIES

The Ladies Bible Class will meet on Tuesday, **February 25th** at 10 a.m. in the annex. The lesson will be "**John The Baptizer's Garments**".

Ladies Day at Briar Church of Christ in Azle on **March 1st** at 10 a.m. with lunch to follow. Topic is "**Ingredients For a Christian Woman's Life**". RSVP by February 23rd at 817-269-2814 or 817-771-7427. Address is: 109 W.N. Woody Road in Azle.

UPCOMING EVENTS

39'ers Breakfast will be held on Saturday, **March 1st** at **8 a.m.** in the Annex. Our teens are hosting the breakfast. Please sign up on the sheet in the front foyer by Wednesday night February 26th.

TEACHERS

The new quarter will begin on Sunday, **March 2nd** and Wednesday night, **March 5th**. If you need any supplies or help please let Don Hatch know.

SYMPATHY

We extend our sympathy to **Charlene Carroll** and family her cousin **Loriese Gibson** passed away last Wednesday.

RESPONSE

Jerry and Vicki Catlin placed their membership with us on Sunday night.

Their address is:
4353 N. O'Connor Road
Irving, Texas 75062

Phone: 972-717-2705

CALENDAR OF EVENTS

3/4/14 – NO LADIES CLASS

FEBRUARY BIRTHDAY'S

- Scott Price – 2/6
- Robert Ruckman – 2/11
- Joy Webb – 2/12
- Cathy Taylor – 2/12
- Clifford Yeldell – 2/14
- Tony Pierce* – 2/14
- Alex Mayer – 2/16
- Mary Curtis – 2/17
- Carol Partridge – 2/28

FEBRUARY ANNIVERSARIES

Brandon & Stephanie Howard – 2/28

*If unable to serve on the Lord's table,
Please contact Mike Batot at:
(972)741-2397*

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THOSE PRIVILEGED TO SERVE THIS SUNDAY

<u>LORD'S TABLE (MORNING)</u>		3/2/14	<u>SUNDAY A.M. PRAYERS</u>
<u>Front Table</u>	<u>Rear Table</u>		· Jerry McKey
·Dale Cox	·Curtis Vaughan		· Glen Kelly
·Scot Allen	·Thomas Rathbun		· Marcus Jackson
·Mike Garrison	·Don Herriage		
·Robert Ruckman	·J.C. Ross		<u>A.M. SCRIPTURE READING</u>
·Henry Seidmeyer			· Kenny Mayer
·Bill Paschall			Genesis 22:1-8
			<u>SUNDAY P.M. PRAYERS</u>
			· Robert Ruckman
			· Mike Garrison
			<u>P.M. SCRIPTURE READING</u>
			· Don Herriage
			2 Kings 4:17-25
			<u>P.M. SONG LEADER(S)</u>
			· Darrell Allen

FOR THE RECORD: ATTENDANCE & BUDGET NUMBERS

	<u>Last Week</u>	<u>This Week</u>	<u>YTD Avg.</u>	<u>Goal</u>
Sun. Class	79	82	71	100
A.M. Worship	124	134	124	150
P.M. Worship	63	59	67	80
Wed. Class	69	66	65	85
Contribution	\$5323	\$4679	\$4996	\$5331

MISSIONS

- Haiti – Printing
- Glen Tattersall - Australia
- Roland & Rose Moshen – France
- Gary & Nadya Workman – Ukraine
- Charlie & Mary DiPalma – Australia
- Oleg & Natasha Yakimenko – Russia
- Willie & Del Gley – Ghana/Togo, Africa
- David & Paula Tarbet – New Milford, CT
- Wil & Telanda Sadler – Military Missions
- Roy Conner – Brown Trail Preaching Student
- Wayne Jackson – Christian Courier on the Web
- Christ's Haven Children's Home – Keller, TX
- Foster's Home for Children – Stephenville, TX
- Ted Lingren – Sisophon Bible School – Cambodia
- Rohan & Sandra Jones – Cape Town, South Africa
- Mission Printing Worldwide Literature Distribution
- Terry & Pam Laurence – Ft. Defiance, Arizona – Navajo
- Dennis & Beth Johnson – Chennai Teacher Training School – India

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