

~ Kevin's Kolumn ~

Are you saved?

If you were to die within the next five minutes, would you go to heaven? If you're sure you would, could you prove it to someone who inquired? If you're skeptical of your salvation, could you prove it to someone who inquired? FYI: I'm inquiring. Over the course of the last seven weeks, Joel and I have been discussing the subject of eternal security. Joel's lesson last week was on hope. What hope do you display to those around you in regard to your eternal security? There are folks all through the world of Christendom proclaiming salvation through the blood of the Lamb, but sadly, many of those who claim to have errant-free biblical knowledge struggle to make such an "audacious" claim. Many will say, "I can't know for sure." There are some who will go so far as to say, "Well, I really can't know whether I'm saved or not until I die." That's too late, Christian!! You need to know NOW! If you're expecting me to give you a five-finger exercise or magic formula to receive salvation, you're mistaken. Am I saying baptism isn't essential? Not at all! But if you're basing your salvation on getting wet and punching your attendance card once a week you haven't the slightest idea of how faith works through God's amazing grace. Faith is like buying a new car. It smells good, looks good and the seats are really comfortable. But if I fail to add fuel to the gas tank, I'm not going to get very far. I have to *actively* seek the Lord! Sometimes are relationship to God mirrors the old Irishman who was asked by his wife, "Patrick, don't you still love me?" To which he replied, "Darlin, I told you I loved you on our weddin day. If I ever change me mind I'll let ya know!" That's not going to cut it with our spouse and it certainly won't cut it with our Creator! He longs to hear your voice and He so graciously provides us His Words, His love, His grace, His mercy, His truth, His blessings, His creation, His air, His provisions and most importantly, His Son. Can we not fall in love with Him more and more every day?

Have a blessed day and remember the One who gave it to you!

Kevin

Songs of Praise

Bible Class

Opening Song - #450 "Give Me The Bible"

Dismissal Prayer

Worship Assembly

Song #47 "Holy, Holy, Holy"

Announcements

Song #601 "My God and I"

Prayer

Song - #111 "Grace Greater Than All Our Sin"

Lord's Supper

Collection

Song - #544 "Without Him"

Song - #76 "How Great Thou Art"

Morning Lesson

Invitation Song - #924 "Just As I Am"

Closing Song - #157 - "The King Is Coming"

Dismissal Prayer

Welcome!

Prayer Requests

- ♥Joan Matheny was hospitalized last week because of extreme fluid and sores on her left leg. Please keep her in your prayers!
- ♥Continue to pray for Keith & Marsha Kisner, Edwina & Jerry and Joan & Frank Perry.
- ♥James David Jacobs III (infant great nephew of Kevin & Mary) has gained an ounce! James was born extremely premature weighing in at only 1# 5 oz.
- ♥Keep Holly White in your prayers as she struggles with headaches.
- ♥Sue Born (mother-in-law of Brenda Grant Born) is dealing with cancer. Unfortunately the cancer is spreading. Brenda and Dave have asked us to keep them in our prayers.

News and Notes

*Kevin is organizing a fishing trip for all interested male anglers. Dates are March 19th, 20th and 21st. We will meet at Harman Farm Family Campground on Thursday evening, fish all day Friday and return home on Saturday. There is room for 9 men including Kevin. First come, first serve! Make your reservations today.

***Love you through it** is this year's theme for the 2015 West Virginia Marriage Getaway in Charleston. Dates are March 13th and 14th. If you're interested in going, make sure to register on line. If you're unable to register and need to sign up, please see Kevin. If you've never had opportunity to attend the WVMG we encourage you to come. You're in for a real treat!

*Whitehall Nursery School classes for the 2015-2016 school year are filling up quickly! If you have a child or know someone that has a child that would like to attend, please see Edwina Summers or contact her at 304-265-2085 or 304-368-0300. Children must be three years old by September 1st and potty trained. We also offer scholarships if needed.

Sunday Evening Service:

Be sure to come back this evening for a special Devotional Service featuring a reading of the "Sermon on the Mount" by Jesus.