

10 REASONS I DON'T WASH

A preacher out in Louisville, Kentucky published a list of "Ten Reasons Why I Never Wash" to parody the thread-bare excuses people give for not attending church. Among the "reasons" were:

- My parents always made me wash as a child.
- People who wash are hypocrites; They think they are cleaner than other people.
- There are so many different kinds of soap, I could never decide which one was right.
- I used to wash, but it got so boring I stopped.
- I still wash on special occasions-like Christmas and Easter.
- None of my friends wash.
- I'm still young-when I get older and need it more I might decide to start washing.
- People who make soap are only interested in your money.
- I'm so busy I just can't find the time to wash.

APRIL BIRTHDAYS

Jimmy Coggins3rd
 Orlena Carr.....8th
 Doug Rose.....9th
 Erma Bradley.....27th
 Gary Butcher.....28th

DAILY BIBLE READING MARCH 2016

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| 27. Luke 4:1-30 | Judges 1-3 | O |
| 28. Luke 4:31-44 | Judges 4-6 | O |
| 29. Luke 5:1-16 | Judges 7-8 | O |
| 30. Luke 5:17-39 | Judges 9-10 | O |
| 31. Luke 6:1-26 | Judges 11-12 | O |

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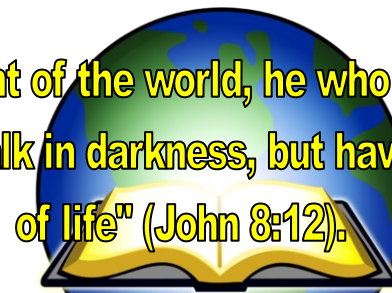
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| 1. Luke 6:27-49 | Judges 13, 14, 15 | O |
| 2. Luke 7:1-30 | Judges 16, 17, 18 | O |
| 3. Luke 7:31-50 | Judges 19, 20, 21 | O |
| 4. Luke 8:1-25 | Ruth 1, 2, 3, 4 | O |
| 5. Luke 8:26-56 | 1 Samuel 1, 2, 3 | O |
| 6. Luke 9:1-17 | 1 Samuel 4, 5, 6 | O |
| 7. Luke 9:18-36 | 1 Samuel 7, 8, 9 | O |
| 8. Luke 9:37-62 | 1 Samuel 10, 11, 12 | O |
| 9. Luke 10:1-24 | 1 Samuel 13, 14 | O |
| 10. Luke 10:25-42 | 1 Samuel 15, 16 | O |
| 11. Luke 11:1-28 | 1 Samuel 17, 18 | O |
| 12. Luke 11:29-54 | 1 Samuel 19, 20, 21 | O |
| 13. Luke 12:1-31 | 1 Samuel 22, 23, 24 | O |
| 14. Luke 12:32-59 | 1 Samuel 25, 26 | O |
| 15. Luke 13:1-22 | 1 Samuel 27, 28, 29 | O |
| 16. Luke 13:23-35 | 1 Samuel 30, 31 | O |
| 17. Luke 14:1-24 | 2 Samuel 1, 2 | O |

BIRTHDAY CELEBRATION AND POTLUCK LUNCH

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| 18. Luke 14:25-35 | 2 Samuel 3, 4, 5 | O |
| 19. Luke 15:1-10 | 2 Samuel 6, 7, 8 | O |
| 20. Luke 15:11-32 | 2 Samuel 9, 10, 11 | O |
| 21. Luke 16 | 2 Samuel 12, 13 | O |
| 22. Luke 17:1-19 | 2 Samuel 14, 15 | O |
| 23. Luke 17:20-37 | 2 Samuel 16, 17, 18 | O |
| 24. Luke 18:1-23 | 2 Samuel 19, 20 | O |
| 25. Luke 18:24-43 | 2 Samuel 21, 22 | O |
| 26. Luke 19:1-27 | 2 Samuel 23, 24 | O |
| 27. Luke 19:28-48 | 1 Kings 1, 2 | O |
| 28. Luke 20:1-26 | 1 Kings 3, 4, 5 | O |
| 29. Luke 20:27-47 | 1 Kings 6, 7 | O |
| 30. Luke 21:1-19 | 1 Kings 8, 9 | O |

The Lincoln Light

"I am the light of the world, he who follows me shall not walk in darkness, but have the light of life" (John 8:12).



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SERVICE TIMES SUNDAY

Bible Study 9:30 am, Worship 10:30 am & 6:00 pm
 Wednesday Bible Study 7:30 pm

RADIO PROGRAM

KAYQ 97.1 FM Sunday 9:30 am

SUNDAY TV PROGRAMS, Channel 10, Springfield, MO

"In SEARCH of The Lord's Way" 7:00 am

"The Living Word" 7:30 am

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DOES GOD HAVE THE LOVE OF YOU?

Charles R. Rose

A few days ago as we traveled along Hwy. 65 north I noticed a small sign that read, "DO YOU HAVE THE LOVE OF GOD"? Of course we recognize instantly the meaning of the heart, "LOVE". No doubt the person who placed the sign beside the road had 1 John 5:3 in mind which reads, "For this is the love of God, that we keep His commandments, and His commandments are not burdensome." (NKJV) Let us consider God's love for us and our love for God.

As we read scripture it is evident that all of mankind has God's love as evidenced in such familiar passages as John 3:16, "For God so loved the world that He gave His only begotten Son, that whoever believes in Him should not perish but have everlasting life." Thus God's love for all is shown in His promise to save every person who will obey His will. We know that "the Lord is not slack concerning His promise, as some count slackness, but is longsuffering toward us, not willing that any should perish but that all should come to repentance" (2 Peter 3:9). Because of God's love for every man, woman and child "we see Jesus, who was made a little lower than the angels, for the suffering of death crowned with glory and honor, that He, by the grace of God, might taste death for everyone" (Hebrews 2:9).

Since we are all recipients of the love of God let us turn the question around and ask, **DOES GOD HAVE THE LOVE OF YOU?** Allow Jesus and His inspired apostles to answer for us. Our Lord said plainly that if He has your love, you will keep His commandments (cf. John 14:15). He further stated, "you are My friends if you do whatever I command you" (John 15:14). John, the apostle of love, wrote his first letter to those who believed they were God's children, saying, "By this we know that we love the children of God, when we love God and keep His commandments. For this is the love of God, that we keep His commandments. And His commandments are not burdensome" (1 John 5:2,3).

One becomes a child of God when he believes and is baptized as Jesus commanded in Mark 16:16. The inspired apostle Paul informs us, "Therefore we are buried with Him through baptism into death, that just as Christ was raised from the dead by the glory of the Father, even so we also should walk in newness of life" (Romans 6:4). Living faithfully for Him from that point on (cf. Revelation 2:10). Are you showing your obedience to all of His commandments? Seriously, **DOES GOD HAVE THE LOVE OF YOU?**

*****NEWS & ACTIVITIES*****

Prayer list: **Charles Rose** is still recovering from his recent shoulder surgery. **Connie Sue Williams**, (Sandra & Kenny's daughter) had surgery recently. Please keep all those on the Prayer list in your prayers. (List on board in lobby)

TO OUR VISITORS

We are so glad that you are with us today, and hope your visit will be such that you are blessed by it. We hope you will come again soon. Our service times are on the front of this bulletin. Please fill out a visitor's card and drop in in the collection plate.

*****GOSPEL MEETINGS*****

S. Hwy 5 church of Christ March 18-20

Clinton church of Chris April 8-10

Lincoln church of Christ April 17-20

Please see bulletins on the board in the front for times and topics.

LINCOLN CHURCH OF CHRIST MEETING

APRIL 17-20

THE WORSHIP, THE CHURCH AND AUTONOMY OF THE CHURCH

- April 17 — 9:30 am WHAT IS WORSHIP? **Churck Northrop**
10:30 am WORSHIP THROUGH COMMUNION **Trey Sullins**
6:00 pm WORSHIP THROUGH GIVING **Thadd Valieka**
- April 18 — 7:30 pm WORSHIP THROUGH SONG **Brandon Hall**
- April 19 — 7:30 pm WORSHIP THROUGH TEACHING/PREACHING **David Blades**
8:00 pm WORSHIP THROUGH PRAYER **Cory Orr**
- April 20 — 7:30 pm AUTONOMY: GOD'S DESIGN FOR THE CHURCH **Ray Sullins**

AREA LADIES DAY ANNOUNCEMENTS

Liberty church of Christ April 9, 2016

Eagleville church of Chris April 9, 2016

Flyers on board in lobby.

DEEPEST SYMPHANY

to

LaRea WILLIAMS in the death of her brother in law,

ROY WILLIAMS.

The funeral was held last week in Arkansas.

3/27/2016 Attendance: Sunday AM 54 Contribution: \$1375