

# MARKET STREET



*"And this is the message we have received of Him, and declare unto you..." (1 John 1:5)*

## MESSENGER

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### *How Were The Corinthians Saved?*

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In 1 Corinthians 15:1-2, Paul wrote to the church at Corinth saying, "Moreover brethren, I declare unto you the gospel which I preached unto you, which also ye have received, and wherein ye stand; By which also ye are saved..." Paul, by the inspiration of God, speaks of the Corinthians being saved. By looking at how the Corinthians were saved, it answers the question concerning what we must do to be saved.

When Paul first came to Corinth, what did he preach and what was done in order that the Corinthians be saved? In Acts 18, Paul came to Corinth and "testified to the Jews that Jesus was Christ" (Acts 18:5). What this involved is answered by Paul in his letter to the church at Corinth.

1. It involved his preaching Jesus Christ and Him crucified (1 Corinthians 2:2).
2. It included the preaching to convict men that Jesus was the Christ "according to the scriptures" (1 Corinthians 15:3-4)
3. It convicted men of their sins and caused them to repent and change from the former sinful life to a life that the Lord requires (1 Corinthians 6:11).

Luke, in the historical account in Acts concerning the conversion of the Corinthians says, "*Then Crispus, the ruler of the synagogue, believed on the Lord with all his household. And many of the Corinthians, hearing, believed and were baptized*" (Acts 18:8). Again we see three things involved on the part of the people of Corinth.

1. They heard the word that Paul preached, the gospel.
2. They believed that Paul was indeed preaching the truth of the gospel.
3. Based on their hearing and conviction of the truth that Paul had taught them, they were baptized in obedience to the preaching of the gospel in order to wash away their sins so that they would be cleansed from their sins, sanctified and justified.

The Corinthians were saved as they heard and believed the gospel preached and were obedient to the Lord. In doing so they were cleansed,

#### **Schedule of Services**

##### **Sunday**

Bible Classes ..... 9:45 a.m.  
Morning Worship ..... 10:30 a.m.  
Evening Worship ..... 5:00 p.m.

##### **Wednesday**

Bible Classes ..... 7:00 p.m.

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sanctified and justified and we can do the same too. The plan of God is simple and is open to all willing to receive it.



## ***Tempted and Tried***

**Bubba Garner**

We are assured that trials will come. “All who desire to live godly in Christ Jesus will be persecuted” (2 Timothy 3:12). There is no loophole or exemption clause; there is no way around it. In fact, Peter says not to be surprised when they come upon us, “as though some strange thing were happening” (1 Peter 4:12). And James prepares us not for “if” they happen, but “when” (James 1:2). Seeing that we cannot escape these “various” trials, coming in different shapes and sizes, often from unexpected sources, what can we do about them?

**Cheer up.** What does James say to do? “Count it all joy” (James 1:2). How does Peter tell us to respond? “Keep on rejoicing” (1 Peter 4:12). Jesus Himself preached in the Sermon on the Mount that when people insult you and persecute you and falsely say all kinds of evil against you, “rejoice and be glad” (Matthew 5:11-12). Do you see a pattern developing here? If you want to end with joy, you have to begin with joy.

Yet, we would much rather “count it all misery” or “keep on complaining” or “pout and be angry.” We want people to know when we’re suffering and how much we’re suffering. We find greater comfort in feeling sorry for ourselves than in finding ways to rebound and rejoice.

We must start seeing things from God’s perspective instead of our own limited, selfish view. Only then, will our eyes be opened to a whole new world. Only then, can we see Him on His throne, watching over us and causing us to rejoice. In prosperity and in adversity.

**Look farther along.** The testing of our faith “produces endurance. And let endurance have its perfect result, so that you may be perfect and complete, lacking in nothing” (James 1:3-4). An athlete endures the rigors

of training because he knows it will make him stronger for the contest. We must persevere through our fiery trials knowing that we will emerge sharper and more durable on the other side.

God is interested in making His people better. Trials and tests are just one way He can accomplish that. He knows that they give us confidence and boldness for future trials. He knows that they help us become mature, “perfect and complete, lacking in nothing.” He knows that a faith tested becomes a faith perfected. Bad things may happen to good people. But with the right attitude and proper perspective, they can make good people even better people.

**Let the Lord help.** “But if any of you lacks wisdom, let him ask of God” (James 1:5). There are times to pray for the trial to be removed. But there are also times to pray for wisdom to endure it. Wisdom will help us see the end result, even when it’s still far away. Wisdom will help us make good choices in the midst of adversity. Wisdom will help us maintain our faith in God though we be in the most desperate of circumstances.

God gives to all generously. He will not only fill your cup, He will cause it to overflow. Pray for wisdom. Then use it.

“Cheer up, my brother. Live in the sunshine. We’ll understand it all by-and-by.”

~via *Southside Sunday*; Pasadena, Texas.



## ***Fighting Against Satan***

**Randy Harshbarger**

When Jesus lived His life on earth, He was in constant conflict with Satan. After Satan’s initial tempting of our Lord, it is said: “And when the devil had ended all the temptation, he departed from him for a season” (Luke 4:13). Satan departed, but he came back. So it is for every Christian. Our lives on earth are spent in conflict with our enemy who seeks the destruction of our souls. John wrote to encourage Christians in their

battle by saying: "I write unto you, fathers, because ye have known him that is from the beginning. I write unto you, young men, because ye have overcome the wicked one. I write unto you, little children, because ye have known the Father" (1 John 2:13). We can be successful in overcoming Satan; yet, we must never let down our guard. We cannot defeat Him by ourselves; we must rely on Christ. Christ did battle with Satan and was victorious. The sting of death has been removed. "The sting of death is sin; and the strength of sin is the law. But thanks be to God, which giveth us the victory through our Lord Jesus Christ" (1 Corinthians 15:57-58). We must still remember that the devil has not conceded defeat. As a roaring lion he seeks to devour us (1 Peter 5:8). Yes, Christ promises deliverance. "Submit yourselves therefore to God. Resist the devil, and he will flee from you" (James 4:7).

The conquest and conflict between Christ and Satan was predicted long ago. After the fall of Adam and Eve, God made a promise that made possible a healing of the ruptured relationship between the first couple and their Creator. "And I will put enmity between thee and the woman, and between thy seed and her seed; it shall bruise thy head, and thou shalt bruise his heel" (Genesis 3:15). The Messiah, through whom would come God's rule of righteousness, did come. Christ, the seed of woman, did come and dealt a death-blow to Satan. The prophet Isaiah reiterated the same promise, speaking of the "prince of peace" (Isaiah 9:6-7).

Early in the ministry of Jesus, Satan tried to undermine God's plan for salvation. Herod murdered the babies in Jerusalem. There were the early temptations in the wilderness. An enthusiastic crowd tried to take Jesus by force to make Him king. Even the apostles of Jesus tried to circumvent Jesus' mission as the Savior. "From that time forth began Jesus to show unto his disciples, how that he must go unto Jerusalem, and suffer many things of the elders and chief priests and scribes, and be killed, and be raised again the third day. Then Peter took him, and began to rebuke him, saying, Be it far from thee, Lord: this shall not be unto thee" (Matthew 16:22-23). Yet, Satan could only retreat. The demons were dismissed; sicknesses were healed; even nature obeyed the voice of our Lord.

Finally, Jesus came to the cross. "Now is the judgment of this world: now shall the prince of this world be cast out" (John 12:31). By Jesus' death the final

conquest of Satan would take place. Jesus would not be diverted from His mission. "Hereafter I will not talk much with you: for the prince of this world cometh, and hath nothing in me" (John 14:30). Satan was on his way out. "Of judgment, because the prince of this world is judged" (John 16:11). The devil and sin and death were destroyed. He "despoiled" the principalities and powers. In apparent weakness, bound hand and foot, suspended between heaven and earth, Jesus could and did resist sin and Satan, and dethroned them all. The cross must never be the object of derision. It can only be the symbol of victory..

-via *Stallings Drive Bulletin*; Nacogdoches, Texas.

## News & Notes

### THE SICK:

Marjorie Dunnivant	Nancy Abernathy
Bobbie Adcock	Gayle Ball
Helen Blankenship	Marvin Wales
Gwen Bullock	Gilbert Hardy
Mary Ruth Gardner	Wynell Casteel
Wayne Gooch	Bruce Mordecai
Una King Currier	Ronald Harrison
David Hartsell	Betty Faye Holt
Abby Gilbert	Ava Brooke Campbell
Phillip Harwell	Carrie Miller
Charles Burns	Shelia Dunnivant Douglas
Matt Poff	

### *Athens Convalescent Care:*

Beulah Pope, rm. 100     Mattye Murray, rm. 60

### *Limestone Health Facility:*

Janet Berryhill, rm. 75-B     Albert Bowers, rm. 115-B  
 Albert Norton, rm. 36     J.D. Clanton, rm. 11E  
 Rosella Pugh, rm. 74

### *Limestone Lodge:*

Yvonne Sherbert, rm. 29-E

### *Brookshire Healthcare - Huntsville:*

Rachel Grubbs, rm. 112-C

### *Shut-In:*

Reba Adams, at home  
 Lola Colwell, at home

Ruby Jean Tinnon, at home  
Polly Davis, River City Care, Decatur, rm. 45

**JESUS TREVINO AT MARKET STREET:** It is our privilege to have *Jesus and Susana Trevino* with us today at Market Street. Jesus' will be presenting a report on his work in Lake Jackson, Texas and other places. We know that you will be encouraged to hear his report.

**LADIES BIBLE CLASS:** Remember the Ladies' Bible class that meets on Tuesday mornings at 10:30 in the west wing auditorium. They are continuing the study, "*The Barnabas Factor*". All the ladies that can are invited to be a part of this class.

**ANNUAL SINGING:** Remember our 2nd Annual Singing will be on Friday, February 22nd. *Jim Deason, Steve Klein and Mark W. White* will be back again this year to lead the singing. There are cards on the table for you to take and give to those you invite. Also, for those on Facebook there is an event to share with others and you may invite your friends through that medium. We will need a number of people to help greet, usher and move chairs. If you would like to be involved in this way, please let me know.

**WORK GROUPS:** Work Group three will be meeting this evening after our evening service. If you are in group three, remember to meet with your group tonight.

**SYMPATHY:** We want to express our deepest sympathy to *Bonnie Sutton and all the family*, in the passing of Bonnie's brother, *Billy Sutton*, this past Tuesday afternoon. The visitation was Thursday at Spry Funeral Home. He had a graveside service on Friday afternoon and was laid to rest in the Athens City Cemetery.

**CHILDREN'S BIBLE DRILL:** The Children's Bible Drill is each Sunday afternoon at 4:40 and lasts about 15 minutes. It meets in the auditorium and will end about 5 minutes before the beginning of our evening service. I hope that all of our children will be able to be present this evening for the Bible drill.

**THE RECORD:** Attendance for Week of January 20th

**Sunday:** Bible Classes..... 135  
Morning Worship ..... 168  
Evening Worship..... 115

**Wednesday:** Bible Classes..... 109

## Remember Our Study Periods

Sunday Mornings at 9:45 a.m.  
Wednesday Evenings at 7:00 p.m.

## Men Privileged To Serve:

### Sunday, January 27th:

#### Morning Worship

Announcements ..... Keith Hinkle  
Song Leader ..... Tyler Cox  
Prayer ..... Dan Reed  
Preaching ..... David Cox  
Lord's Supper  
Presiding ..... Larry Mitchell  
Assisting ..... Bonnie Sutton  
Serving ..... Keenon Currier ..... Marvin Putman  
..... Danny Johnson ..... Stefan Fudge  
Closing Prayer ..... Tommy Coblentz

#### Evening Worship

Announcements ..... Keith Hinkle  
Song Leader ..... Todd Williams  
Prayer ..... Terry Andrews  
Preaching ..... Song Service  
Lord's Supper ..... Larry Mitchell  
Closing Prayer ..... Ronnie Locke

Other Assignments for Sunday, January 27th:

Usher ..... Jonathan Keenon  
Work Sound System ..... Nathaniel Adams

### Wednesday, January 30th:

Song Leader ..... Marty Adams  
Bible Reading..... Isaiah 59:16-21  
..... Dwaine Allfrey  
Prayer ..... Jerry McGlocklin  
Invitation ..... Joel Hamm  
Closing Prayer ..... Tommy Burns

### Sunday, February 3rd:

#### Morning Worship

Announcements ..... Jerry McGlocklin  
Song Leader ..... Tommy Burns  
Prayer ..... Kenneth Smith  
Preaching ..... David Cox  
Lord's Supper  
Presiding ..... Ronnie Locke  
Assisting ..... Marion Mitchell  
Serving ..... Kenneth Adams ..... Mot Dollar  
..... Paul Hasting ..... Harold Davis  
Closing Prayer ..... Dwaine Allfrey

#### Evening Worship

Announcements ..... Jerry McGlocklin  
Song Leader ..... Stefan Fudge  
Prayer ..... Jonathan Keenon  
Preaching ..... Jordan Lovell  
Lord's Supper ..... Ronnie Locke  
Closing Prayer ..... Marty Adams

Other Assignments for Sunday, February 3rd:

Usher ..... Danny Johnson  
Work Sound System ..... Nathaniel Adams