June 27, 2021

Olney Church of Christ

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Services

<u>Sunday</u>

Bible Study	9:30 am
A.M. Worship	10:20 am
P.M. Worship	2:00 pm

Wednesday

Bible Class 7:00 pm

<u>Elders</u>: Mike Gerber, Travis Hall <u>Deacons</u>: John Frost, Dave Goff, Roger Sholders

Visitors are welcome We offer Bible classes for all ages We also offer in-home Bible studies

We have Bible lessons on the radio (92.9 FM) Sundays from 8:00-8:30 a.m.

From God or From Man? By Michael Hickox

Those seeking wisdom must distinguish between the wisdom from God and that which is from man. Consider a few examples of the difference between the two to see how far removed worldly "wisdom" is from the truth.

The Bible:

<u>The world may teach:</u> The Bible originated from the minds of men no less fallible than you or I.

<u>But God says:</u> All Scripture is given by inspiration of God (**2 Tim. 3:16**). While men physically took pen to paper, the words they wrote that comprise the Bible do not teach any man's wisdom, but God's.

The Scriptures' Authority:

<u>The world may teach:</u> The commands God gives us need not be heeded if they are "outdated" or do not "make sense."

But God says: The truth is never outdated (**1 Pet. 1:25**). God's ways and thoughts are far superior to ours (**Isa. 55:9**), so it's not surprising that

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some commands don't make sense to the world. The answer is not to change His Word. Instead, we must simply trust and obey (**Gen. 22:1-12**).

The Church:

<u>The world may teach:</u> The church is a man-made institution that must meet the public's demands to attract numbers.

But God says: The church was built by Jesus (Matt. 16:18). The Lord determines who is added to His church contingent on one's obedience (Acts 2:47). Individuals in close proximity who have been added to the Lord's church join together to worship God and edify one another. These individuals form local churches of saints (cf. Eph. 1:1). There are no commands given to local churches to increase numbers by a certain "quota." The church should, though, seek to convert as many souls as possible, while not compromising truth to do so. The church must be the pillar and ground of the truth (1 Tim. 3:15), and grow

spiritually (Eph. 4:13-16).

Pride:

<u>The world may teach</u>: To be successful individuals, we must become proud.

But God says: Pride goes before destruction (**Prov. 16:18**). God resists the proud, but gives grace to the humble (**James 4:6**).

While pride is a surefire way to fall (2 Chron. 26:16; Dan. 4:28-33), those who are humble will be lifted up by God (Luke 18:14; 1 Pet. 5:6).

Life's Purpose:

<u>The world may teach</u>: Life is about "advancing" oneself by seeking to "fulfill one's dreams."

But God says: Life's purpose is bringing glory to God by serving Him to the best of our ability (**Rom. 12:1**). What is far more important than education, careers, money, or fame is whether or not we are pleasing God.

Area Gospel Meetings

Yale church of Christ: July 19-23 (with Jim Stauffer) *M-F: 7:00 PM*

God's Plan for Saving Man

God's Grace	Ephesians 2:8	
Christ's Blood	Romans 5:9	
The Holy Spirit's Gospel	Romans 1:16	
Sinner's Faith	Acts 16:31	
Sinner's Repentance	Luke 13:3	
Sinner's Confession	Romans 10:10	
Sinner's Baptism	1 Peter 3:21	
Christian's Work	James 2:24	
Christian's Hope	Romans 8:24	
Christian's Endurance	Revelation 2:10	

Words to Consider

"Blessed are those who are persecuted for righteousness' sake, For theirs is the kingdom of heaven. Blessed are you when they revile and persecute you, and say all kinds of evil against you falsely for My sake." – Matthew 5:10-11 (NKJV) Holly G Sandy S Cheryl S Norma C Raymond & Maxine Barbara G (Cancer) Robert C Don C (Esophageal Cancer) Gerry S (Cancer in leg) Ken G (Pancreatic Cancer)

Daily Bible Reading

June 27 – 1 Chronicles 1-3; John 5 June 28 – 1 Chronicles 4-6; John 6:1-24 June 29 – 1 Chronicles 7-9; John 6:25-71 June 30 – 1 Chronicles 10-12; John 7:1-27 July 1 – 1 Chronicles 13-16; John 7:28-53 July 2 – 1 Chronicles 17-20; John 8:1-27 July 3 – 1 Chronicles 21-24; John 8:28-59

"Wherefore putting away all filthiness and overflowing of wickedness, receive with meekness the implanted word, which is able to save your souls." – Jas. 1:21 (ASV)

	r Leaders		Assignments	
Sunday, s	<u>June 27, 2021</u>	Sunday,	<u>Sunday, July 4, 2021</u>	
Bible Study:	Douglas	Reading:	Jim	
Worship:	Jim	Announcements:	Roger	
Evening:	Travis	Table:	Darrell	
Wednesday	Wednesday, June 30, 2021		Dan D	
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			Mark	
Clear	Building		Travis	
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Prepare	Communion	Invitation:	Travis	
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	g Reminders eeting (with Jim Stauffer)	July 11 – Ethan & Lindsay July 16 – Darrell & Siddney		
		<u>Bir</u> July 8 – Mark July 12 – Holly July 12 – Jessilyn	<u>thdays</u>	