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"Finally, brethren, whatever is true, whatever is honorable, whatever is right, whatever is pure, whatever is lovely, whatever is of good repute, if there is any excellence and if anything worthy of praise, dwell on these things." Phil. 4:8 (NASB-U)

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We appreciate so much your presence here with us today. We would like to extend an invitation to join us at any of our other times of worship.

TIMES OF SERVICES

SUNDAY

Bible Classes* 10:00 AM
AM Worship 10:45 AM
PM Worship 6:30 PM

WEDNESDAY

Bible Classes* 7:00 PM
(* Bible Classes for All Ages)

Today's Speakers:

AM:

Matt Ferrell

PM: Nathan

Marshall

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free of charge in the foyer.*

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*If you have any questions regarding
what we teach and practice, please
feel free to ask.*

Jesus: The Way He Loves

Dee Bowman

via—Market Street Messenger—Athens, AL

There is no vocabulary expressive enough to say what needs to be said about Jesus. It is astounding to me that the gospel records give only small details about His life, that they speak in such matter-of-fact language, and without any glowing reports of either His demeanor or His work. If men, unguided by the inspiration of the Holy Spirit, had written records of His life and living, there would be literally volumes, and they would be filled with words extolling Him and citing how wonderfully astonishing were His works and how beautiful His life, and innumerable and expressions too multitudinous to count.

But in spite of our inability to contain ourselves when we speak of Him, there is the ever-present need to say things about Him so that we may emulate His life in ours. Let me try.

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Jesus Christ was "in the beginning." *"In the beginning was the Word and the Word was with God and the Word was God."* There's power in that. If He was in the beginning and He was God, and He came to the earth, it says that the mission He came to accomplish must have been terribly important. And it was.

Jesus Christ was the agent of creation. *"All things were made by Him and without Him was not anything made that was made."* How amazing that He who was the means by which all things were made, came and became a part of what He made. What humility! What love!

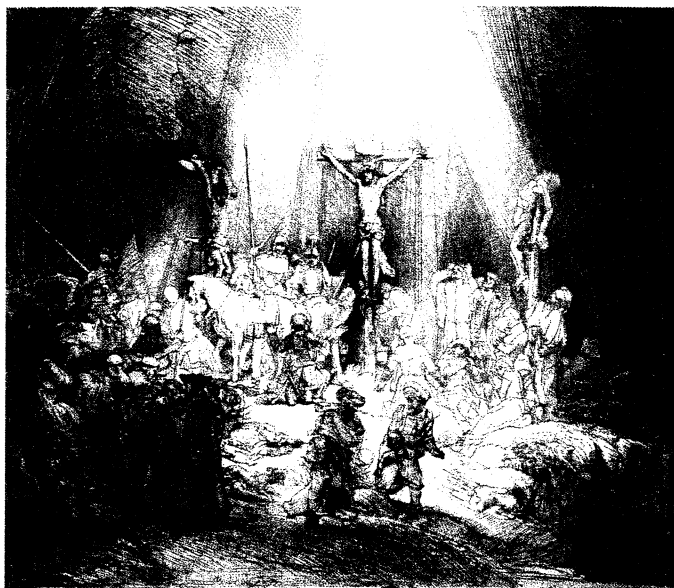
Jesus Christ was the witness to men of God Himself. *"That was the true light which lighteth every man that cometh into the world."* What an enterprise is that one which caused God Almighty to send His Son into this world to enlighten the world with a true picture of the Creator. Does it not seem astonishing that One so great would literally bend down to us through His Son? Can you get hold of that? Can you fathom such love, such devotion?

Jesus Christ was "made flesh and dwelt among us." It is impossible to over-estimate the value of that simple statement. Hear that again, please: He was *"made flesh,"* who was the agent of creation, the illumination of the Father, the Word of Heaven; yet He relegated Himself willingly to a fleshly body, one subject to all the temptations of mankind. He was made flesh and dwelt among us. God came to be a man, left heaven to become flesh? Why? Why would He do that? Why would He? Love, that's why – a love like has never before nor since been seen. Oh, what a Savior!

Jesus Christ brought grace and truth to mankind. *"For the law was given by Moses, but grace and truth came by Jesus Christ."* Now, that's something to think about, something to arrest and maintain our attention. Grace, the predicate on which all forgiveness rests, could never have been but by the Savior. Man could not save himself. Hear it: man could not save himself. Never. Without grace, this mar-

velous attribute of Deity made evident in Jesus Christ, there would be no good future for any man – no, not one. And this grace, sequentially, brought to man the truth of the gospel, the "mystery" revealed in Him to take away the sins which separated man from his Creator. Grace and truth, the necessary parts of salvation, are brilliantly illustrated in the cross He bore. And all for us, that grace and truth might come together in man's redemption. Thank God for our Lord Jesus Christ!

And Jesus Christ died for us. *"God so loved the world that He gave His only begotten Son that whosoever believeth in Him should not perish, but have everlasting life."* God's love is the basis for our reconciliation, the motive for the Savior, the means for our propitiation. He went to the cross for you and me. He hung there for you and me. Do you hear? He hung there for you and me.



And you're going to tell me that it makes no difference to you? If you walk away from Him, if you merely ignore the salvation He purchased for you, you say, in essence, "none of that makes any difference to me." How can you do that?

*Come to Jesus.
He will save you.*

Needful To Know

Gary Henry

*"Lord, make me to know my end,
And what is the measure of my days,
That I may know how frail I am."*

Psalm 39:4

At their longest, our lives in this world are quite brief. With astonishing swiftness, we enjoy our youth, reach our maturity . . . and then suddenly find ourselves facing the end. Sooner or later, we all come to appreciate what Job meant when he said, *"My days are swifter than a weaver's shuttle"* (Job 7:6).

It is undeniably true that our earthly lives go by quickly, and we need to know that it's true. We may not WANT to know it, but we NEED to know it. The more frankly we face that fact, the more reverently we'll live our lives while they last. So David was a wise man when he prayed, *"Lord, make me to know my end, and what is the measure of my days, that I may know how frail I am."*

Look at what happens when we don't face life's brevity:

(1) WE SPEND THE FIRST HALF OF LIFE PRODIGALLY. Prodigal actions are wasteful, that is, they spend limited resources as if they were unlimited. Isn't that the way we "spend" our days prior to middle age? Thinking the "supply" is unlimited, we're not very careful.

(2) WE LIVE WITHOUT REGARD FOR GOD. Failing to face the brevity of life, we also fail to take God into account in our actions. If we even believe there will be a day of judgment, we assume it's so far in the future that it has little bearing on our day-to-day conduct.

(3) WE LIVE WITH LITTLE PERSPEC-

TIVE, WHICH CAUSES US TO ERR IN OUR DECISIONS. Many of our most important decisions are made on the basis of assumptions about "how much time we've got left," and faulty assumptions in that area can seriously skew our judgment. Taking our lease on life for granted, we make shortsighted choices.

So we need to live life with death in mind. Our minds should be governed by neither a morbid fascination with death nor a gloomy fatalism, but simply a healthy understanding that WE HAVE ONLY A FEW DAYS IN WHICH TO GET OUR WORK DONE. When the time came for Jesus to die, He had accomplished His life's work in the time that was granted to Him, and He could say, *"It is finished"* (John 19:30). Is there any chance that you and I can say the same?

*"Here's death, twitching
my ear: 'Live,' says he,
for I am coming."* — Virgil

*Don't forget to let the
men know if Aug 1st or
Aug 8th would be best for
a VBS.*

*Also don't forget the
Brooke Co Fair September
11th -13 th*

Those Serving This Week

Sunday AM

Class Prayer	Matt Ferrell
Announcements	Don Coen Jr
Song Leader	Harold Marshall
Scripture	Daniel 10:1-10
Reader	Dan Marton
Prayer	Ken Prager
Speaker	Matt Ferrell
Lord's Supper	
Bread	Nathan Marshall
Fruit of the Vine	Ed Roberts
Serve	Blake Headen
Serve	Terry Smith
Closing Prayer	Matt Ferrell

Please inform the one in charge of announcements if you are unable to fulfill your responsibilities.

Sunday PM

Announcements	Don Coen Jr
Song Leader	Ed Roberts
Scripture	Daniel 10: 11-21
Reader	Ken Prager
1st Prayer	Harold Marshall
Speaker	Nathan Marshall
Communion	Dan Marton
Closing Prayer	Chuck Isinghood

Wednesday

Announcements	Don Coen Jr
Class Prayer	Ken Prager
Song Leader	Nathan Marshall
Invitation	Harold Marshall
Closing Prayer	Earl Miller

News N Notes

Please continue to remember these in your prayers:

Traveling:

- The Henderson's are in Alabama and the surrounding area visiting family

Recovering:

- Joyce Coen
- Marie Roberts
- Vicki Renshaw
- Ann Rudolph

Prayer Requests:

- Merl Frey
- Zeda Goddard
- Zeda Goddard's sons, Dallas and Terry, and her daughter Tammy Garrison
- Blake Headen, Alberta's husband,
- Cary and Grace Lancaster
- Virginia Malick, Peggy Miller's mother
- Alfred & Mary Jane Myers
- Jimmy Roberts, Ed & Marie's son
- Jim Roberts, Ed Roberts' father
- Monty Wallace, Charissa's Father

Don't forget our Shut-ins

Nursing Home:

- Ethel Mahan
- Pauline Sellers

At Home:

- Josephine Clow
- Mabel Fleming
- Betty Hunter
- Pauline Midcap

Send them a card—give them a call—let them know we are thinking about them.

If someone needs to be added to this list, please call:
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