

I was glad when they said unto me, Let us go into the house of the LORD - Psalm 122:1

The Northside church of Christ

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Visitors Welcomed!

Order of Services

Sunday

Bible Study 9:30 am

Worship Service 10:30 am & 5:00 pm

Wednesday

Bible Study 7:00 pm

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Evangelist: Guillermo Alvarez

And Pray For One Another - James 5:16

Please keep in your prayers those who are having physical troubles and those who are traveling. Also pray for the brethren that are shut-in:

Remember in your prayers:

The Prayer Offered In Faith Will Restore

The One Who Is Sick - James 5:15



Northside Proclaimer

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Welcome to the Northside church of Christ that meets in Hillsboro, Ohio

Is Jesus Our First Priority?

Richard Thetford

Jesus promises us that if we will confess Him before others, then He will confess us before His Father in heaven. However, if we deny Him before others then He will deny us before His Father in heaven (Matthew 10:32-33).

It is not easy to be a Christian. Christians cannot blend in with the world. It may be that we will need to make some very difficult decisions in order to maintain our fellowship with Christ. Serving Christ in all aspects of our life may mean that we have to be enemies with our very own household. Listen to the words of Jesus: "For I have come to 'set a man against his father, a daughter against her mother, and a daughter-in-law against her mother-in-law'; and 'a man's enemies will be those of his own household.' He who loves father or mother more than Me is not worthy of Me. And he who loves son or daughter more than Me is not worthy of Me. And he who does not take his cross and follow after Me is not worthy of Me. He who finds his life will lose it, and he who loses his life for My sake will find it" (Matthew 10:35-39). Jesus is teaching us that our love, devotion, and loyalty must be for Him, even above our own family members.

There is a strong bond of love that usually exists within our physical family, but Jesus said the bond between us and Him must be stronger. When we made the most important decision of our life to be baptized into Christ, we made a commitment to be one with Him. That decision means that we cannot let our family, friends, and things of this world interfere with our love and service to Jesus. Can others truly see in each of us that our first priority is Jesus? God certainly knows the answer to that question (2 Corinthians 5:10; John 12:48).

"What we have... heard we proclaim to you" 1 John 1:3

A Proper Attitude in Understanding the Bible

Kurt G. Jones

The apostle Paul tells us, “Wherefore be ye not unwise, but understand what the will of the Lord is” (Ephesians 5:17). The inspired apostle makes it clear that people have the responsibility to understand God’s will. He also writes in Ephesians 3:4 “whereby when you read you may understand my knowledge in the mystery of Christ.” Our understanding comes from God’s divine word. We understand God’s word by having a proper attitude towards it.

If we are going to understand the truth, we first must have the proper attitude. This attitude requires noble character. In Acts 17:11 we read of those Bereans whom the text states “were more noble than those in Thessalonica”, in that they “received the word with all readiness of mind, and searched the scriptures daily, whether these things were so.” These folks were designated as noble because they were willing to do what we all have the responsibility to do, “search the scriptures daily to see whether these things are so.” If we desire to understand the will of God, then we must be willing to have a noble character and search the scriptures.

Also, a desire to know the truth must be present. Jesus points out, “If anyone wants to do His will, he shall know concerning the doctrine, where it is from God or whether I speak on My own authority” (John 7:17). If we desire to do the will of God, we must have such a character that we will “know concerning the doctrine.” This will come from seeking and studying God’s truth.

Lastly, we must be willing to submit totally to the will and authority of God. There are many who feel that we can do whatever we want and simply label it with Christ’s name. This is a false idea. The Holy Spirit, through the writing of the apostle Paul, points out that “whatever we do in word or deed, do all in the name of the Lord Jesus Christ, giving thanks to God the Father through him” (Colossians 3:17). To do something in the name of Christ is to do it by the authority of Christ. If we are going to truly “understand God’s will” and “know concerning the doctrine,” we must be willing to submit to its precepts when we find them in God’s divine word.

In conclusion, if we desire to know the will of God, we must prepare ourselves to have a proper attitude. We must, have a noble character, desire to know the truth and be fully willing to submit to it.

Sunday Morning Lesson

Topic: _____

How can I apply this lesson to my life? _____
