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 Bible Study..... 9:30 AM  
 Worship.....10:30 AM  
 Worship.....6:00 PM

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 Bible Study.....7:30 PM

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Goals For 2020  
Theme  
 A Church With 2020 Vision  
Attendance: Sunday Bible Study: 40;  
Sunday AM: 50  
Sunday PM: 40; Wednesday Bible Study: 30

Giving: Meet Our Yearly Budget

Invitations: 130

Every Member Committed To Daily Bible Reading

Every Member Committed To Daily Prayer

Every Member Committed To Be At Every Service

Hold a "Bible Basics" Class  
Hold A Men's Training Class

Hold One Gospel Meeting

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We are now in the 21th week of our Bible Reading.

**Prayer List**  
 Sharon Nale  
 Les & Novema Dunn  
 Debby Spears (Roseann's sis)  
 Sharon Thompson  
 The Wards  
 Dale Kahl (Deb L & Ronnie K Bro)  
 Family of Greg Kahl  
 Frank Alford

**Church:** Matt. 16:18, Acts 2:47  
 I Cor. 12:13, Col. 1:18, Eph. 1:22-23, Acts 20:28, Eph. 5:23-25

**Who Have You Invited To Come to Services This Week**

**Lord's Supper Reading**  
 Heb. 9:22-28

**Scripture Reading**  
 AM: I Thes. 1:6-10  
 PM: Josh. 24:15

**Encouragement Tally**  
 Invites this month: 2  
 Invites last month: 110  
 Visitors last year: 48  
 Visitors YTD: 8

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**A Church Worthy of Imitation**

**Welcome!**  
 If you're visiting with us today, we want you to feel welcome and we want you to feel like our honored guest! We also want you to know that all we're interested in here at the Clarksville Church of Christ is the Truth. Jesus said, "You shall know the truth, and the truth shall make you free." John 8:32. The truth He's talking about is God's word. Jesus said, "Sanctify them by thy truth, Thy word is truth." John 17:17. Therefore we hope you'll appreciate that we'll give you book, chapter and verse from the Bible, the word of God, for everything that we say or do here today, so that everything that we do may bring glory unto God, I Pet. 4:11.

**Intro: Read I Thes. 1:6-10.** A good role model is very important. It demonstrates what can be done. It provides direction for what should be done. It inspires us to do what ought to be done. Let's take a church worth imitation.

**I. They Imitated Paul and the Lord**

I Thes. 1:6, I Cor. 4:16; 11:1  
 I Thes. 2:14, Phil 3:7, I Pet. 2:21ff  
 I Jn 2:6, Eph. 5:1

**II. They Received The Word**

I Thes. 1:6, Acts 17:11, I The. 2:13  
 I Pet. 2:2, I Sam 3:10, Acts 2:41, Js 1:21  
 Mt 4:4, 2 Tim. 4:2ff

**III. They Actively Taught the Word of God**

I Thes. 1:8, I Tim. 3:15, Acts 8:4, I Tim. 2:2  
 Mt 28:19-20

**IV. Their Dedication to Serving God**

I Thes. 1:9, Acts 14:15, Rom. 6:16-17, 6 Phil 2:5, Lk 17:10

**V. Their Anticipation of Jesus**

I Thes. 1:10, Jn 14:1-3, Acts 1:11  
 Phil. 3:20ff, Titus 2:11-13, 2 Pet. 3:11-12  
 Rev 22:20

## Choose Ye This Day

**Read Joshua 24:15.** Joshua challenged the people on this occasion to make a decision. Everything we are and everything we do is based upon our decisions. Let's take a look at something we need to choose to be today.

### I. To \_\_\_\_\_

Jn 13:13, Mk 10:44, Gal. 5:13

### II. To \_\_\_\_\_

Eph. 4:32, Col. 3:13, Mt 6:14-15

### III. To Be \_\_\_\_\_

I Jn 1:4, Phil. 3:1; 4:4, 6, I Cor. 15:58

Jn 13:17, Lk 9:23

### IV. To Be \_\_\_\_\_

Rom. 14:19, Eph. 4:16; 4:29, I Thes. 5:11

Acts 4:36

### V. To Be \_\_\_\_\_

I Tim. 6:6-10, Phil. 4:11

### VI. To \_\_\_\_\_

Josh. 24:15, Is 7:15, Rom. 6:16-18

Heb. 5:8-9, Rom. 5:8

## My Friend, I Found The Church

Friend, I am so thankful that you are reading this! I wanted to share with you that I found something especially intriguing—the church. Some may wonder, “What could be so ‘intriguing’ about ‘church?’” After all, it’s not that hard to find a church—they’re all over town! But, it is not “a” church that I have found! I want to show you that I have found “the” church! Let me explain.

**First, I found that the church is actually the collection of people**—the saved people. The church is not a building or a structure or a business. The church is the people. Specifically, the church is composed of all the people who are saved by Christ. In the Bible, when a penitent believer was baptized, God added that person to His church (Acts 2:41-47). They “were all baptized into one body” (1 Cor. 12:13). I found “the” church that is made up of those who have been baptized for the remission of their sins, just like the Bible teaches!

**Second, I found the church that started in the Bible.** The church was a central part of the eternal plan of God (Eph. 3:10-11). When Jesus came, He promised to build His church (Matt. 16:18). And He did! He “purchased” the church “with His own blood” (Acts 20:28), and He established His church in Jerusalem in 33 A.D. (in Acts 2). All modern “churches” have started in more recent times, but I found “the” church that Jesus Himself started in the Bible!

**Third, I found the church described in the Bible.** The church in the Bible is depicted as Christ’s “body” (Eph. 1:22-23), “family” (1 Tim. 3:15), “kingdom” (Col. 1:13), “bride” (Rev. 22:1), etc. How many bodies, families, kingdoms or brides does Christ have? Just one! And He condemns any kind of “division” of His church (1 Cor. 1:10). I found the “one” church (Eph. 4:4) that is described so beautifully in the Bible!

**Fourth, I found the church that follows the Bible.** Believe it or not, not all churches actually follow the Bible. Some follow their own church manuals, which are actually additions to the Bible. Some follow the directions of an earthly headquarters, which is foreign to the Bible. But I found the church that simply speaks where the Bible speaks, remains silent where the Bible is silent, calls Bible things by Bible names and does Bible things in Bible ways (Rev. 22:18-19; Matt. 7:21)!

**Friend, I want to introduce you to the church of Christ!** Jesus gave His life for it (Eph. 5:2) and one day will come and deliver it to His Father (1 Cor. 15:24). It is truly a valuable treasure when you find it, and I want you to know that it is worth every personal sacrifice in order to be in it (Matt. 13:44). You are important to me, and I wanted to share this with you, so that you might find “the church,” too!