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Sundays
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 Worship.....6:00 PM

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Goals For 2021
Theme
 A Church with a Mind to Work
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

Support the Work in Vincennes, Indiana
Hold A Men's Training Class

Hold One Gospel Meeting

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Sermon and Bible Class videos now on our website

We are now in week #5 of our Bible Reading.

Prayer List
 Barry Martin, Kay Thompson
 Ruth Butt: Vivian's mother
 Sharon Nale
 Les & Novema Dunn
 Debby Spears (Roseann's sis)
 Sharon Thompson
 The Wards & Beth McFarland
 Dale Kahl, Brooke Thomas
 Ron Shively: bro.'s recent death

Mindful Prep: Dan 1:8, Ezra 7:10
 2 Cor. 8:5 . This month should be spent getting the "Mind To Work"

Who Have You Invited To Services This week?

Lord's Supper Reading
 John 13:1-2, 21-27

Scripture Reading
 AM: Exodus 6:1-8
 PM: Luke 11:29-32

Encouragement Tally
 Invites this month: 0
 Invites last month: 0
 Visitors last year: 0
 Visitors YTD: 0

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Leaving Egypt

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.

Egypt was _____.

The _____ fled to Egypt from _____.

A _____

I _____

J _____

The _____ wanted to _____ to Egypt.

S _____ desired to be _____ Egypt.

The _____ hoped to be _____ by Egypt.

Egypt was _____ and _____.

C _____ leads the way out of Egypt.

He grew up in Egypt.
 He was _____ with the same _____ that Israel faced.

He was _____ just like his _____.

What is your Egypt? Do you still desire Egypt? Have you left Egypt?

-Alan Siedenstrang

The Sign of Jonah

Luke 11:29-32

God is _____.

He has great _____.

Great _____ - 1:2

Great _____ - 1:4

Great _____ - 1:4

Great _____ - 1:10

Great _____ - 1:17

He has great _____.

God is _____. Everything else is _____.

He is God of _____. - 1:9

God's _____ is greater.

He has mercy on _____.

He has mercy on the _____.

He has mercy on _____.

What kind of mercy did Jonah have?

God's _____ is greater.

J _____ was _____ up by the fish. J _____ rose up from the _____.

Only through the _____ can we have _____.

Who will you call on for salvation?

-Alan Siedenstrang

Who Will Follow Jesus?

Who will follow Jesus, standing for the right, holding up His banner in the thickest fight? Listening for His orders, ready to obey, who will follow Jesus, serving Him today?

Who will follow Jesus in life's busy ways, working for the Master, giving Him the praise; earnest in His vineyard, honoring His laws, faithful to His counsel, watchful for His cause?

Who will follow Jesus in His work of love, leading others to Him, lifting prayers above? Courage, faithful servant! In His word we see, on our side forever will this Savior be.

C) Who will follow Jesus? Who will make reply, "I am on the Lord's side; Master, here am I?"

Something I have been doing lately is take a hymn and sit down and spend some time studying the lyrics better. I've always been one that focuses more on the notes and the music at the expense of the words that I am singing so I wanted to do this to try and improve my worship. I thought I would share some thoughts with you about this familiar song and hopefully understand what we are singing and saying better and improve our worship as well. What I do is look for common phrases or organization in the verses, as well as listen for words or phrases that are there to point us to a specific verse or story in the bible, or use metaphors and poetry to paint a picture in our minds. As we look at "Who Will Follow Jesus?" I notice that each verse gives us a scenario that we each might face in our life and asks the question if we will follow Jesus in those difficult ways.

In the thickest fight – Have you ever visited or studied one of the Civil War battlefields like Shiloh or Gettysburg? Many of those places have some of the flags or banners that waved in the battle. Have you ever seen one of those banners that didn't have bullet holes or scorch marks on them? That is because whoever was holding the banner was usually the prime target to take down. Will you follow Jesus even if that means there is a target on your back? You will be the one that Satan tries his hardest to take down. He doesn't need to worry about the ones that are hiding behind the lines trying not to get hurt. The ones he focuses on are the soldiers who are leading the charge into battle and inspiring others to take courage and do the same. These are the types of followers that the Lord wants, ones that stand up for the right, that listen for the words and orders of Jesus and immediately obey. That is how we can follow Jesus in the thickest fight.

In life's busy ways – This one might be the toughest in our current era. It is so easy to fill up our day with activities, events, and responsibilities that by themselves are fine, but when added together, leave no room in our day to follow Jesus. This verse has some wonderful alternatives to all those useless, worldly activities that fill our time. Work for the Master earnestly in His vineyard, meaning go out and sow more seed in the kingdom. Give Him praise whenever you can, both in worship and in how we live our lives. Honor and obey his laws. Be faithful and obey his counsel or teachings. Always be watchful for his cause, always looking for ways to further the gospel, spread the good news, and grow in our faith and knowledge of the Bible. That is how we can follow Jesus in life's busy ways.

In His work of love – What is Jesus work of love? He laid down his life for us. Our work of love is no different. Hopefully we never have to literally die for this work, but we should be willing to give up the life we could have had for this work of love. Jesus calls us to "take up our cross daily and follow Him." Our mission is to lead others to Jesus, through our teaching, our conduct, and by what we dedicate our life to. This is a difficult challenge, but we can lift our prayers to Him for help. Take courage, the song says, because in His word we see that this Savior Jesus will be on our side helping us forever. That is how we can follow Jesus in his work of love.

Will you follow Jesus? Notice that the answer to that question is not just a simple yes or no. The first part is an oath of promise. "I am on the Lord's side." You promise to live your life and to die with Him by your side. The second part is a statement of readiness or action. "Master, here am I." When you say those words, you are saying the same thing that Abraham said in Genesis 22 when the Lord told him to go and offer Isaac as a sacrifice. You are saying the same thing that Moses said in Exodus 3 when the Lord appeared to him at the burning bush and sent him to deliver Israel from Egypt. You are saying the same thing that Isaiah said in Isaiah 6 when the Lord needed to send a messenger to preach to Israel. We must be ready to follow and stand and listen and obey and work and honor and be faithful and be watchful for the cause of Jesus, and everyday gain strength and courage through His word.

Will you follow Jesus? Will you reply, "I am on the Lord's side. Master, here am I?"

-Alan Siedenstrang