

The Prattmont Church of Christ is just what the name suggests, a church that belongs to Christ. We are not a denomination; we are simply a group of Christians trying very hard to practice the teachings of our Head, Jesus Christ. The New Testament offers a complete pattern for what each local church should be like—its organization, its worship, its work, etc. We are committed to following that pattern. We cordially invite you to attend our services. We would also welcome any comments or questions about this bulletin.

TIMES OF SERVICES:

Sunday
 Bible Classes.....9 A.M.
 Worship 10:00 A.M.
 Worship/Bible Study..5 P.M.

Wednesday:
 Bible Study..... 7:00 P.M.



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“Buy The Truth and Do Not Sell It” (Proverbs 23:23)

by Bryan Gibson

Buy the truth, i.e., “spend” whatever effort is necessary to acquire it (Proverbs 2:1-5; 1 Peter 2:1-2; Ezra 7:10).

Do not sell the truth, like the Christians in Galatia were doing (Galatians 1:6-9). Truth is different than anything else we might acquire; its value is priceless. Let’s be sure, then, we don’t sell it to obtain any of the following:



Do not sell it to keep peace in the family (Matthew 10:34-37).

Do not sell it for anything that encourages or supports sin (Ezekiel 13:22; 2 Peter 2:18-19).

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Do not sell it for something more entertaining, more enjoyable, at least as you perceive it (Isaiah 30:9-10; 2 Timothy 4:3-4).

Do not sell it for the praise of men (John 12:42-43).

Do not sell it for financial gain (Micah 3:11; Acts 20:33; Romans 16:18; 2 Corinthians 2:17; 2 Peter 2:14-15).

Do not sell it to “pad the numbers,” to get more baptisms, to have a larger church (Jesus certainly didn’t compromise truth for the sake of “numbers”—John 6:60-68).

Time for a Change

by Bryan Gibson

Romans 6:17-18—it describes a dramatic change—from being slaves of sin to being slaves of righteousness.

Thank you, God, for giving us the ability to change, the ability to repent (Luke 13:3, 5). And thank you, God, for the power of the gospel, the instrument through which these great changes can be made (Romans 1:16).

If I'm a hypocrite, I can become sincere; if I'm lazy I can become diligent; if I've lost my love for the Lord, I can love Him again; if I'm addicted to some substance, I can become sober; if I am selfish, I can become self-sacrificing; if I'm bitter, I can be thankful; if I am proud, I can become humble; if I am hard-hearted, I can become tenderhearted, etc.

Thank you, God, for giving us yet another opportunity to repent. We won't let you down this time.

“Be Clothed with Humility” (1 Peter 5:5)

by Bryan Gibson

Wondering what that looks like? Simple, it looks like Jesus. Humility is one piece of "clothing" He never took off. Examine any area of His life and you see humility. We can see it...

In how He spoke (John 5:19; 6:38; 7:16-18; 8:28, 42, 50; 14:10).

In the way He handled the pride of others (Matthew 20:20-28).

In washing His disciples' feet (John 13:3-5, 12-14).

In His willingness to approach “tax collectors and sinners” (Luke 19:1-10; 7:36-50; John 4).

In the way He patiently endured insults, taunts, beatings, a scourging, etc. (Isaiah 50:6-7; Matt. 26:60-68; 1 Peter 2:21-23).

In how He did not use His power to benefit Himself (Matthew 4:3-4; 26:53; 27:40).

In the time He gave others and His patience with them—with His apostles, with those who came to Him with requests, questions, etc., and even with small children (Mark 10:13-16).

In the way He showed His dependence on His Father, by praying to Him “always” or “without ceasing” (1 Thessalonians 5:17; Luke 18:1; Mark 1:35; Luke 3:21-22; 5:16; 6:12; 9:18, 28-29; 22:31-32; John 11:41-42; 17:1-26; Hebrews 5:7).

And yes, even in the way He invites us to come to Him (Matthew 11:28-30).

And so how is it we can "be clothed with humility"? (1 Peter 5:5). "Put on the Lord Jesus Christ" (Romans 13:14).