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**June 26, 2016**

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**THAT THEY ALL MAY BE ONE**

"Neither pray I for these alone, but for them also which shall believe on me through their word; that they all may be one; as thou, Father, art in me, and I in thee, that they also may be one in us: that the world may believe that thou hast sent me" (John 17:20, 21).

Jesus' prayer expresses a genuine desire for unity. His disciples were to be one. As a result, the world would be brought to belief. It follows that the opposite would also be true, a lack of unity would produce disbelief. And that is exactly what has occurred.

An article in *U. S. News & World Report*, March 4, 1991 reported that in 1985 the number of denominations surpassed 22,000, with an average of five new ones organized each week. It is no wonder that so many have been turned off by "organized religion." Division has resulted in disbelief.

Any careful reader of the New Testament soon discovers that there was only one church in the first century. The apostle Paul wrote: "There is one

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**SCHEDULE**

July 3, 2016

**ANNOUNCEMENTS**

Tom Eddy

**WAIT ON THE TABLE**

**AM:** Michael Morgan  
Harry Ogletree

**PM:** Brad Forshey  
Russ Schramm

**PRAYER**

**AM:** Brad Pierce  
Close—Randy Feisley

**PM:** Darrell Hague  
Close: Todd Hague  
7/6—Earl Schramm

**SCRIPTURE READER**

**AM:** Perry Varnadoe  
**PM:** Joe Crone

**SONG LEADER**

**AM:** Tim Wells

**PM:** Tim Wells

**Wed. 7/6—Michael Morgan**

**STATISTICS—June 19**

Sunday Bible Class.....	78
Morning Worship.....	210
Evening Worship.....	105
Wednesday Classes.....	103
Contribution.....	4,275

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**PANTRY ITEM OF THE WEEK — Pancake Mix & Syrup**

## TODAY'S SERMONS

**AM:** Behold the Lamb of God—**Harry Ogletree**

Reading: John 1:29-36

**PM:** Give Thanks to Him and Bless His name—**Harry Ogletree**

Reading: Psalm 100

## PROGRAMS

WJAW FM 100.9—Sunday 8:30 a.m.

WJAW AM 630—Sunday 9:00 a.m.

WMOA AM 1490—Sunday 11:00 a.m.

SEARCH—WTAP—Sunday 7:30 a.m.

## SICK

OSU: **Betty Rittenhouse** (Sharon Anderson's sister)

## PRAYER LIST

**Karen Mullen White** (Donna Moseley's niece)

**Wes Wiblin** (Nancy Ward's grandson)

**Bernard Williamson** (friend of Karen Thompson)

## THANK YOU

Thank you notes are posted on the bulletin board in the foyer from **Mr. & Mrs. Darrell Hague, Ted & Susie Patterson, Gary Antill,** and **Paul & Barbara Hickman.**

## SYMPATHY

We extend our deepest sympathy to the family of **Jerry Eddy** (Tom's uncle). Memorial services were held yesterday at the McClure-Schafer-Lankford Funeral Home.

## DO YOU LIKE WHAT YOU SEE?

There was once a wealthy businessman who was fascinated by the microscope. Looking through its lens to study crystals and the petals of flowers, he was amazed at their beauty and detail. He decided one day to examine some food he was planning to eat for dinner. Much to his dismay, he discovered that tiny living creatures were crawling in it! Since he was especially fond of this particular food, he wondered what to do. Finally he concluded that there was only one logical way out of his dilemma—he would destroy the instrument that caused him to discover the distasteful fact—he smashed the microscope to pieces!

"How foolish!" one might exclaim. But many people do the same thing with God's Word, the Bible. They hate it and would like to get rid of it because it reveals to them their true condition!

James describes the Word of God as a mirror: "But be ye doers of the word, and not hearers only, deceiving your own selves. For if any be a hearer of the word, and not a doer, he is like unto a man beholding his natural face in a glass: For he beholdeth himself, and goeth his way, and straightway forgetteth what manner of man he was (James 1:22-24).

The mirrors of God's Word reveals our true condition! The imperfection revealed by God's mirror is called sin—and each one of us has been marred by it! "For all have sinned and fall short of the glory of God" (Rom. 3:23). The Bible also reveals that there is something that can be done to take care of our "fatal flaws."

The cure for our sin problem is Christ! Jesus died on the cross so that we might have the forgiveness of our sins (I Peter 2:24).

Look carefully into the mirror of God's Word. When it painfully reveals your sins, don't throw it away! Keep looking and follow the instructions: place your trust in God (Heb. 11:6), repent of your sins (II Cor. 7:9-10), confess that Jesus is Savior and Lord (Rom. 10:9-10), be baptized (immersed) in Jesus' name for the forgiveness of sins (Acts 2:38), and keep on

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body, and one Spirit, even as ye are called in one hope of your calling; one Lord, one faith, one baptism, one God and Father of all, who is above all, and through all, and in you all" (Ephesians 4:4-6). The reference to "one body" is a clear reference to the church. Paul also wrote concerning Christ "...he is the head of the body, the church" (Colossians 1:18). If there is one body, and the body and the church are the same, it follows that there is also only one church. The oneness of the church is also apparent in Jesus' statement to Peter following his confession of Christ as the Son of God. Jesus promised, "...I will build my church" (Matthew 16:18). It is significant that Jesus did not say "my churches."

It is inexcusable that men uphold the concept of denominationalism and the division which it necessitates. We should have no desire to be a part of anything other than the church which we read about in Scripture. Until professed followers of Christ make a concerted effort to be one on the basis of God's word, the world will continue to flounder in disbelief.

---Roger

## BIBLE QUESTION/ANSWER

Job's friends sat with him how many days before anyone talked?

1. Two days
2. Four days
3. Five days
4. Seven days

Answer next week/Answer to last weeks' question: **Job's friends came to mourn and comfort Job when he had lost family and all his possessions and was covered with boils. What were their names? All three names are correct—Eliphaz, Bildad, Zophar—Job 2:11**

## RAMBLINGS

--By Roger

Our thanks to **John Keith** for his message Wednesday evening. Our *Summer Series* speaker this Wednesday evening will be **Jason Hoeflich**. Jason now works with the church in Logan, OH. I regret that I will not be here to hear his message.

Thanks to **Tim Loughry** for teaching our class this morning from Daniel 3. **Kurt Harrison** will teach next Sunday from Hosea 4.

My thanks to **Harry Ogletree** for preaching in my absence today. God willing, I will be back with you next Sunday. As you know, **Adam** and I are worshiping with the brethren at the *Fluted Rock Bible Camp* on the *Navajo Reservation* today, and will be spending the week working with the camp.

God willing, next Sunday afternoon we will be hosting services at the *Marietta Center*. We will begin at 2:00 and conclude promptly at 2:30. **Greg Cline** will be our song leader at that service, and **Colton Eddy** is scheduled to lead our singing on the 10th.

We have a golf scramble scheduled for July 9 at Lakeside. There is a signup sheet on the board in the foyer. If you have any questions, please see **Tom Eddy** or **Harry Ogletree**.

*VBS Kid's Day* is July 12. A special "thank you" to all who have volunteered to help with this project. We are looking forward to a great day.

Don't forget, the office will be closed Monday, July 4 in celebration of Independence Day. Please note that on your calendar.

## DO YOU LIKE WHAT YOU SEE? (con't)

looking into the mirror of God's word and obey its instructions (I John 1:7). Look into the mirror! Do YOU like what you see? Won't you do something about it by submitting your life to Jesus today?

—David A. Sargent