

WISDOM

The great theme of the book of Proverbs seems to be wisdom and its value for us as we conduct our lives on a daily basis. Proverbs 1:7 is considered as the key to the book. *“The fear of the LORD is the beginning of knowledge; but fools despise wisdom and instruction.”* The importance of listening to wise counsel is emphasized throughout this book. Beginning in Proverbs 1:8 and continuing through Chapter 9, there is a series of short addresses, or counsels, each beginning with “My son.” It is found three times in this chapter: verse 8, 10, 15. Wisdom is said to be personified, which means it is regarded or represented as a person, It is described as if it has human ability. The chapter we studied in class this morning shows wisdom trying to be an influence on us (Chapter 1). It goes on to talk about those who had rejected the counsel of wisdom. Wisdom wants us to change. Many do not want to change, thus they reject wisdom. There comes a time in most of our lives that we wish we had listened to the counsel of wisdom, but now it is too late. When you get to the end of Proverbs 1, you find those who had rejected the knowledge and wouldn't listen to wisdom. Now they face the consequences of the decisions they made. — L. Cole

CONVICTED OR REDEEMED?

A thief who broke into a house saw a picture of Christ hanging on the wall. Before stealing anything he took the picture down and turned it around so that Christ would not seem to be watching him. But his fingerprints were later found on the picture and he was caught.

And so it shall be with each life. Each soul shall someday be convicted or redeemed by Christ.

Which of these two will Christ be to you? Will He convict you of sin because you refused Him as Savior, or will He redeem you because you submitted to God's will in obedience and let His blood free you from sin? Who can we blame if we are lost? Can we blame God the Father? No, because: “God so loved the world that he gave his only begotten Son, that whosoever believes in him should not perish but have everlasting life? (John 3:16). “And we have seen and testify that the Father has sent the Son as Savior of the world” (1 John 4:14).

Can we blame God the Son? No, Jesus said: “The thief does not come except to steal, and to kill, and to destroy. I have come that they may have life, and that they may have it more abundantly” (John 10:10). “For the Son of Man has come to seek and to save that which was lost” (Luke 19:10).

Can we blame God, the Holy Spirit for withholding the truth? No, because Jesus made and fulfilled this promise: “When he, the Spirit of truth, has come, he will guide you into all truth” (John 16:13).

Who then can be blamed if we are lost eternally? Only ourselves for not surrendering our lives to the Lord! He has made the supreme sacrifice by death on the cross. He has become the head of His church, His spiritual body in which all the saved are added (Acts 2:47); and He has invited: “And the Spirit and the bride say, Come. And let him who hears say, Come. And let him who thirst come. And whosoever will, let him take the water of life freely” (Revelation 22;17).

Thus, God has made all the necessary plans for our eternal salvation, but we must respond to His invitation, we must let love motivate us to obey the commands of Jesus to become a Christian, or to return when we leave the fold. “If you've me, keep my commandments” (John14:15).

*At the day of Judgment, will Christ convict you or redeem you?
[Used for Invitation last Wednesday night]*

Invitations for Mid-Week Services, Benny B. Bristow, Quality Publications

GBN

This is a brief summary of what GBN is taken from their website.

Gospel Broadcasting Network (GBN) is a non-profit organization that provides Bible-based and unbiased resources from the Word of God seven days a week, 365 days a year to teach and share with believers and potential believers.

What Does GBN Do?

For 12 years, we've provided ongoing resources to share the truth of the Gospel 24 hours a day, Sunday through Saturday. We offer free radio, live stream videos, Bible correspondence courses, children's videos and daily devotional resources to all viewers.

Our goal is to help those seeking the truth among distorted Biblical teachings. We want to reach every soul with the truth of the Gospel and then to support them on their path to salvation.

Why Do We Do It?

The Lord has commanded us to reach every soul with the message of salvation, “for there is salvation in no one else...no other name under heaven given among men by which we must be saved” (Acts 4:12). We're committed to growing our work by:

Sharing the simplicity of the Gospel with every person at every stage in life.

Revealing Christian evidences showing God's existence.

Establishing the importance of obedience to God, beginning with the plan of salvation.

Assisting brethren in their spiritual growth and evangelistic efforts. —gbntv.org

**THOSE PRIVILEGED TO SERVE
WORSHIP---SUNDAY---9:00 AM**

Apr 29, 2018

Co-Coordinator Roger Draper
Announcements Steve Anderson
ScriptureGavin Spurlin
Song Leader Jacky Carver Jr.
Opening Prayer. Brian Smith
Lord's Supper-Preside: Jacky Carver Sr.
Serve: George Clay, Dallas Eddie
Glen Reece, Ted Russell
Closing Prayer. Mitchell Brooks
Greeter— Susanne & Teresa
Greeter— Lesa & John William Leonard
Greeters: Please be here to greet 20 minutes before services
Count Offering. Dallas Eddie
. Kaleb Bush
AM Sermon— Speaker from GBN
PM Sermon— Kaleb Bush speaking

WORSHIP---SUNDAY---6:00 PM

Announcements Brian Smith
Song Leader. Gavin Spurlin
Reading. John W. Leonard
Opening Prayer Dallas Eddie
Speaker. Kaleb Bush
Lord's Supper Ethan Leonard
. John W. Leonard
Closing Prayer Justin Draper

BIBLE STUDY WEDNESDAY---7:00 PM

Announcement. Larry Cole
Song Leader Jacky Carver, Sr.
First Prayer. Justin Draper
Opening Prayer George Clay
Closing Prayer Glen Reece

Prepare Communion for **MAY**
Patsy Reece

PANTRY ITEM:Canned Beef Stew

MONTROSE BULLETIN BOARD

NURSING HOME:

Opal Agee-Kindred
Pearl Anderson—Knollwood Manor,
Kasel Dillehay—Overton Co. Nursing Home

THOSE ON THE SICK LIST;

W. A. Gibbs, Gladys Bowling,
Jimmie Faye Cole, Sawyer Cole,
Ramelie Cole, Carolyn Clay.
Jere Andrews, Billy Halliburton,
Susanne Tisdale, Ted Russell

OUR RECORD OF LOVE FOR CHRIST

04/22/18

Wednesday.	41
Worship Sunday AM	72
Bible Study Sunday AM	60
Daily Bible Readers	31
Worship Sunday PM	50

UPCOMING EVENTS:

Apr. 29 5th. Sunday. Speaker from GBN Young Men Conduct PM Worship Service
MAY 6 Elders, Deacons, Preacher meeting

READING SCHEDULE FOR MAY

01 II Chron 28-30	16 Job 8-10
02 II Chron 31-33	17 Job 11-13
03 II Chron 34-36	18 Job 14-16
04 Ezra 1-3	19 Job 17-19
05 Ezra 4-7	20 Job 20-23
06 Ezra 8-10	21 Job 24-27
07 Neh 1-4	22 Job 28-30
08 Neh 5-87	23 Job 31-33
09 Neh 8-10	24 Job 34-36
10 Neh 11-13	25 Job 37-39
11 Esth 1-3	26 Job 40-42
12 Esth 4-7	27 Psalm 1-5
13 Esth 7-10	28 Psalm 6-8
14 Job 1-4	29 Psalm 9-11
15 Job 5-7	30 Psalm 12-14
	31 Psalm 15-17