



**Windmill church of Christ
Newsletter**

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**Search the
Scriptures Daily
Acts 17:11**

Sunday Morning Bible Class:
9:30 AM

Sunday AM Worship: 10:30

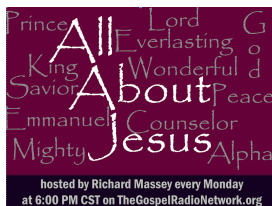
Sunday PM Worship:
6:00

Wednesday PM Bible Class:
7:00

4th Wednesday PM-Singing
7:00



**Bring your Bibles
to Bible class.**



Listen to "All About
Jesus" on
TheGospelRadioNet
work.org each
Monday at 5:30 pm.
And our Sunday
morning sermon at
8:30 am Sunday.

Make No Provision for the Flesh

Do you ever plan ahead? Most folks when they go on vacation will plan ahead. Before most folks have surgery, they will plan ahead. Even when most folks go to the grocery store, they will plan ahead. Putting our minds to events—to consider as many aspects of those events in advance—is an essential life skill. But not all advanced planning is good.

In Romans 13:14, Christians are given two instructions, which is actually one instruction with two contrasting sides. Let's start with the second part, where God commands (with a present middle imperative), "***Make no provision for the flesh, to fulfill its lusts.***" The Greek word for "provision" is *pronoia*, which is a compound word with the prefix *pro*, meaning "before," and the verb *noeo*, "to think." The expression in this verse literally means, "give no forethought to" those things of the flesh.

The challenge that the devil throws in the path of every Christian (and non-Christian, as well) is "the flesh." "The lust of the flesh" is in his arsenal at every turn (1 John 2:16), in order that we might "fulfill its desires." It is impossible for us to "live according to the flesh" and "live according to the Spirit" at the same time (Rom. 8:1-14), but this is much more than just the actions that we take. In Romans 13:14, God calls upon us to not even let our thoughts wonder over into the arena of the flesh. By letting our minds dwell upon the passions and desires of this world, we are, in essence, planning ahead (and giving forethought) to how we might fulfill those carnal cravings. But the Lord knows that if we cut off the thoughts "before" we can "think" them that we cannot then sin against Him. Thus, we must "***have crucified the flesh with its passions and desires***" (Gal. 5:24). Have you done that? Or are you still letting those passions and desires live in your heart?

The first part of this instruction in Romans 13:14 states, "***Put on the Lord Jesus Christ.***" Place this in contrast with the second part of the verse. Rather than think on the things of the flesh, God expects me to make a determined choice to think the way Christ thought (Phil. 2:5-8) and to live the way Christ lived (1 Pet. 2:21). I must clothe myself with the Lord—not just on the outside (as we might sometimes picture clothing), but on the very deepest parts of the inside of my heart. How do I do that? I must bathe myself in His word (Psa. 119). I must not allow myself to be conformed to the fleshly lusts of this world (1 Pet. 2:9). I must love what He loves, want what He wants, hate what He hates, etc. Rather than allowing my heart to plan ahead to fulfill fleshly desires, I need to find joy in planning ahead to fulfill godly desires and make provision for Him!

~David Sproule

NEWS, NOTES & ANNOUNCEMENTS

Welcome Visitors: If you are visiting, please know that you are an honored guest. Please fill out a visitor card and place it in the collection plate or give it to one of our members so that we can have a record of your visit.

Remember in Prayer:

Remember In Prayer: **Brenda Blair, Cathy Massey, Edith Proffitt, Samuel Gilbert, Tilmon Bonner** (all the shut-ins)

Friends and family: **Brady Adair, Mark Balke, Roscoe Davis** (prostate cancer), **Reta George, Francis McCluskey** (heart), **Kenneth & Mary McConnathy, Janiece Melcher, Debra Bowser, Michael Klembus, Stephanie & Anthony Jr.** (children of Anthony & Becky; that they can become faithful Christians), **Sharon Petrosky, Rae Lynne Swopes, Darius Warren, Donna Nevel, All the lost in this world** (If you know of anyone who needs to be on the prayer list, please let us know.)

Mission work: **Parker Webster** (preacher student), **Johnny Robertson, Banard Kagaga** (Kenya), **House-to-House/Heart-to-Heart, Correspondence Courses, World Video Bible School. Expedition Through The Bible** (radio program), **Caleb Robertson, Josh White, TheGospelRadioNetwork.org**

A graduation reception honoring our 2020 HS Graduates **Carolina Hubbard** and **Joshua Kingston** is tonight after the evening worship service. All are invited to stay.

Directory Update: The mailing address has changed for Tod & Lori Hanson. (P.O.Box 2532, Wford 76086)

Summer Youth Series: This Tuesday evening at 7PM Bangs church of Christ will host the first evening in the series: "Lessons from the Bible Kings". **Drew Hyde** from Meridian will be speaking on "King Saul" & **Doug Martin** will be leading the singing. All you can eat nachos following time of singing, prayer & study.

In the beginning was the Word, and the Word was with God, and the Word was God. The same was in the beginning with God. All things were made by him; and without him was not any thing made that was made. In him was life; and the life was the light of men. And the light shineth in darkness; and the darkness comprehended it not. There was a man sent from God, whose name was John. The same came for a witness, to bear witness of the Light, that all men through him might believe. He was not that Light, but was sent to bear witness of that Light. That was the true Light, which lighteth every man that cometh into the world. *John 1:1-9*

Wednesday Night Devo

June

17 Devron Smith
24 Joshua Kingston

July

1 Mitchell Kingston
8 Zach Looper
15 Mickey Hukill
22 Marvin Blair

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