

Church of Christ

3361 West State Street, Fremont, OH 43420

Worship Services

Sunday Bible Study	10:00 am
Sunday Worship	10:45 am
Sunday Worship	6:00 pm
Wednesday Bible Study	7:00 pm
Classes for all ages	

Preachers: Ted Bowen and Sean Rizor

What Must I Do To Be Saved?

1. Learn the truth (Hear) (John 8:32; 17:17; Rom 10:14-18)
2. Believe in Christ (John 8:24; 20:31; Heb 11:6)
3. Repent of all sins (Luke 13:3; Acts 17:30; Rom 2:4; 2 Cor 7:9,10)
4. Confess faith in Christ (Rom 10:10; Acts 17:30; Matt 16:16)
5. Be baptized into Christ for remission of sins (Acts 2:38; 22:16)
6. Live faithfully (Revelation 2:10)

7 THINGS TO REMEMBER DURING THE LORD'S SUPPER!

1 LORD. "There is one Lord." (Ephesians 4:5)

2 THIEVES. "There were also 2 others, criminals, led with Him to be put to death."
(Luke 23:32)

3 CROSSES. (Luke 23:39-43; Ephesians 1:7)

4 PARTS of HIS GARMENTS. "Then the soldiers, when they had crucified Jesus, took His garments and made four parts, to each soldier, a part, and also the tunic." (John 19:23)

5 WOUNDS. His head was crowned with thorns. His back was scourged.

His side was cut open. His hands were pierced. His feet were pierced. (John 19-20)

6 HOURS of AGONY. Christ was crucified at the 3rd hour and died at the 9th hour.
(Mark 15:25-37)

7 SAYINGS of The CROSS. (Matthew 27:46; Luke 23:34, 43-46; John 19:26-30)

July 11, 2021

Sunday Morning

Speaker: Sean Rizor

Sunday Morning Worship Only

Birthdays

3 Mack Stanley
19 Judson Appelhans
27 Connie Rowan
29 Heidi Frantz
31 T.J. Smith

Prayer List

Kaitlin Baker
Gen Stanley
Nora Wiseman
Jean Adkins
Jamie Hall
Kaitlyn Hall
Ashley Hall
Nick Hall
Tina Smith
Kathy Grove
Betty Davis
Mike Foos
Debbie Rowan
Charlotte Williams
Mack Stanley

DO YOU THINK ABOUT DEATH?

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Is there anything positive in the death of a loved one for those who outlive him?

From God's perspective, there is something good in attending a funeral service. God said through the wise man in Ecclesiastes 7:2 that "It is better to go to a house of mourning than to go to a house of feasting, because that is the end of every person, and the living takes it to heart."

Beside the sadness and heartache that come with mourning, funerals provide those who attend with an opportunity to reflect on death.

The phrase “house of mourning” literally means a funeral parlour and figuratively refers to the end of human existence on earth at which point one’s family and friends will mourn him.

It isn’t wrong to enjoy festive parties which the expression “house of feasting” signifies. It is true that when God created man, He desired him to enjoy the material blessings his habitat provided him (Genesis 1:28-30). However, it would be a mistake to spend time in the pleasures of this life and never think of death.

On occasions such as a wake, burial, or memorial service those who honour the memory of the one being mourned should appreciate the reality of death. Verily, the death of someone we were acquainted with remind us of our own mortality.

Death is something one knows most assuredly will happen to him. A famous syllogism (which is a type of reasoning in three steps known as premises) by the ancient Greek philosopher Socrates begins with this certitude. Socrates said, “All men are mortal, and Socrates is a man, it necessarily follows that Socrates is mortal” .

Each one of us will die at some point in time. From the time Adam and Eve had to bury their second child that his own brother murdered up to this day, the human family has experienced death (Genesis 4).

Biblically, death occurs when the spirit of a person is separated from his body. James said, “the body without the spirit is dead” (James 2:26). The same was true of the Lord Jesus Christ when His spirit left Him after He had said “father, ‘into Your hands I commend my spirit” and “breathed His last breath” (Luke 23:46).

When the soul departs from the body, it returns to God in the realm of the disembodied souls known as Sheol or Hades. As to the body, it goes back to the earth where it came from (Genesis 2:7). This death is material in nature.

There is also spiritual death. When Adam and Eve sinned eating the forbidden fruit, they suffered separation from God and thus died spiritually. In the garden of Eden, they had direct communication with God, but now they no longer could have access to it (Genesis 3:24).

Sin severs the relationship all responsible adults guilty of iniquity had with God (Isaiah 59:1-2; Romans 3:23). Many believe that Adam and Eve were responsible for the sins of each one of us. However, when Paul wrote the Ephesians, he told them they were dead in their own trespasses (Ephesians 2:2). The Apostle had the chance to tell them that they were dead because of Adam and Eve, but he did not.

There is a day coming when the resurrected body will be reunited with the spirit. The Apostle explains that on that day “shall come forth; they that have done good, unto the resurrection of life; and they that have done evil, unto the resurrection of damnation.” (John 5:29 KJV). In other words, some people will rise to be with God eternally. Others will be separated from God for ever who had had lived away from the Creator during life on earth. The latter ones, the Apostle Paul explained in 2 Thessalonians 1:8-9, will be those “that obey not the gospel of our Lord Jesus Christ” . This is a reference to those who will die outside Christ and for whom will be no hope of eternal life with God (Ephesians 2:12). Faithful children of God who die in Christ, on the other hand, will eternally be with God (1 Thessalonians 4:14; Revelation 21:3; Revelation 14:13).

Surely, all people present at a funeral service should have their mind burdened with this question, will I rise to eternal life or to eternal condemnation? Do you often ask yourself this question?