

# *The Church of Christ @ Fremont*

3361 W. State Street, Fremont, OH 43420

*Sunday Bible Study*                      *10:00 am*

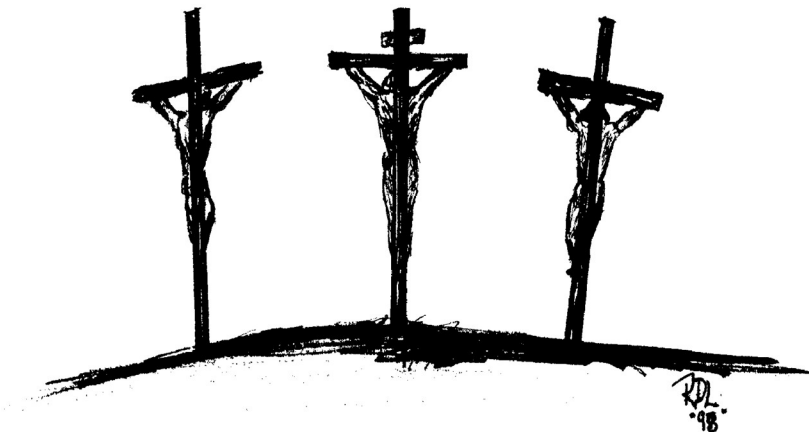
*Sunday Worship*                              *10:45 am*

*Wednesday Bible Study*                      *7:00 pm*

**Preachers:** Sean Rizor and Melvin Monroe

## **7 Things to Remember During the Lord's Supper**

1. One Lord – "There is one Lord" Eph. 4:5
2. Two thieves – "There were also two others, criminals, led with Him to be put to death." Lk. 23:42
3. Three crosses – Lk. 23:39-43
4. Four 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." Jn. 19:32
5. Five wounds – His back was scourged, head was crowned with thorns, hands and feet were pierced and side was cut opened. Jn. 19:1-2, 34; Psalm 22:16
6. Six hours of agony – He was crucified on the 3<sup>rd</sup> hour and died in the 9<sup>th</sup> hour Mk. 15:25-37
7. Seven statements spoke by Christ – Matt. 27:46; Lk. 23:34, 43-46; Jn. 19:26-30



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Songs: Jahred Monroe

Lord's Supper: Tony Smith

Speaker: Melvin Monroe

Wednesday Bible Study

Invitation: Melvin Monroe

### **Birthdays:**

03 Tina Smith

04 Jordan Chapman

04 Stephanie Rizor

05 Chloe Rizor

29 Jessalyn Schadwil

### **Prayer List:**

Gen Stanley      Jean Adkins

Nora Wiseman      Mack Stanley

Tina Smith      Heidi Holub

Paul Runion

### **What Must I do to be Saved?**

Learn the Truth (hear) - Jn. 8:32, 17:17; Rom 10:17

Believe in Christ – Jn. 8:24, 20:31; Heb 11:6

Repent of all sins – Lk. 13:3; Acts 17:30; Rom 2:4

Confession of Faith – Acts 17:30; Rom 10:10

Baptism – Act 2:38, 22:16

Live Faithfully – Rev 2:10

### **WILL GOD ACCEPT ME "JUST AS I AM?" by Joe R. Price**

It has been said that God accepts us "just as we are." If the sentiment of this statement is that it makes no difference how I live, that God will accept me "just as I am," then it is false.

The Scriptures teach . . .

(1) God will not accept me "just as I am" if I refuse to believe in Jesus Christ. "To Him all the prophets witness that, through His name, whoever believes in Him will receive remission of sin" (Acts 10:43). The unbeliever will not be accepted by God "just as he is." But the lake of fire will receive him in his unbelief (Rev. 21:8). To think that Christ will save you "just as you are" while you refuse to live by faith is to be self-deceived (John 8:23-24).

(2) God will not accept me "just as I am" if I refuse to repent of my sins. "I tell you, no; but unless you repent you will all likewise perish" (Luke 13:5). Paul preached that sinners "should repent, turn to God, and do works befitting repentance" (Acts 26:20). So, God will not accept the liar "just as he is" - he must repent of his lying and "speak truth with his neighbor" (Eph. 4:25). God will not accept an adulterer "just as he is." He must repent of his adultery and stop his sinful relationship and conduct (Rev. 9:20-21). Some brethren teach people that they should continue to live in their unscriptural (sinful, adulterous, Matt. 19:9) remarriage once they obey the gospel. The words of the Holy Spirit in 1 Corinthians 7:24, "Brethren, let each one remain with God in that state in which he was called," are twisted to convince adulterers they may remain in an unholy remarriage (which they believe has been sanctified by baptism). But this passage describes people who are "with God." It does not describe the adulterer either before or after baptism, since the adulterer is not with God. No, Jesus will not receive you "just as you are" if you refuse to repent of and cease your sin, including sinful relationships. One cannot continue in sin and be accepted by the Lord (Rom. 6:1-2).

(3) God will not accept me "just as I am" if I refuse to confess my faith in Christ. Scripture says, "If you confess with your mouth the Lord Jesus and believe in your heart that God has raised Him from the dead, you will be saved. For with the heart one believes unto righteousness, and with the mouth confession is made unto salvation" (Rom. 10:9-10). Do you see the conditional nature of Jesus accepting a sinner "just as he is?" If the sinner will not confess Jesus before men, then Jesus will not confess him before the Father in heaven (Matt. 10:33). He will not be accepted "just as he is" without confessing his faith. He will be lost in sin.

(4) God will not accept me "just as I am" if I refuse to be baptized for the remission of my sins. "He who believes and is baptized will be saved" (Mark 16:16), not the one who believes but refuses to be baptized. Many souls will be lost because they comfort themselves, believing God will accept them "just as I am," despite their rejection of the Lord's command to be baptized to be saved.

5) God will not accept me "just as I am" if I refuse to be faithful to the Lord. "But why do you call Me 'Lord, Lord,' and do not do the things which I say" (Luke 6:46)? That warning should resonate in the ear of every Christian who thinks the Lord will accept him "just as he is" even though he is living unfaithfully. Faith without works (of faith) is dead. Faith working through love avails in Christ (James 2:17; Gal. 5:6-7). Christian, the Lord will not accept you "just as you are" if you are living unfaithfully.

What is your spiritual condition before God? Will God accept you "just as you are?" Not if you fail to believe Jesus of Nazareth is the Christ, the Son of the living God; Not if you believe Jesus is the Son of God but will not confess your faith before men; Not if you have confessed your faith but will not repent of your sins and remove them from your life (Acts 17:30); Not if you reject baptism as essential for your salvation from sin (1 Pet. 3:21; Acts 22:16); and not if you are a Christian who is being unfaithful to Jesus in your daily life (Gal. 2:20).

God will save you when you surrender to His will and do what He wants instead of remaining "just as you are." "Create in me a clean heart, O God, and renew a steadfast spirit within me. Do not cast me away from Your presence, and do not take Your Holy Spirit from me. Restore to me the joy of Your salvation, and uphold me by Your generous Spirit. Then I will teach transgressors Your ways, and sinners shall be converted to You (Psalm 51:10-13)