

The Messenger

COLDWATER CHURCH OF CHRIST

Feb 15, 2015



Jesus Died for the *Impulsive*

Jesus died for the impulsive. This may seem like an odd characteristic to consider, but I assure you it is a legitimate and needed consideration. One who is impulsive does not think properly before acting. One who is impulsive lacks self control. Sometimes, impulsiveness is rooted in pride. Sometimes, impulsiveness stems from ignorance. I believe all of the latter connections to impulsiveness can be seen in Peter, concerning events surrounding Jesus' crucifixion.

We see Peter's impulsiveness in his asserting that he would never deny Jesus. Luke recorded Peter saying, "Lord, I am ready to go with thee, both into prison, and to death" (Luke 22:33). Matthew recorded Peter's words as, "Though all men shall be offended because of thee,

This then is the message which we have heard of him, and declare unto you... (1 John 1:5).

VISITORS, WELCOME!

Sunday:

9:30 a.m. Bible Class

10:30 a.m. WORSHIP

1:00 p.m. WORSHIP

Wednesday:

7:00 p.m. Bible Class

We have Bible classes for
all ages & Pew Packers
each Sunday at 12:30

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yet will I never be offended ... Though I should die with thee, yet will I not deny thee" (Matthew 26:33, 35). Yet, Peter denied Him—three times. His impulsiveness was rooted in pride, overconfidence, and ignorance. Furthermore, when Jesus was arrested, Peter impulsively unsheathed his sword and began what he thought to be the Israeli revolution. Jesus had no such revolution in mind. He said to Pilate, "My kingdom is not of this world: if my kingdom were of this world, then would my servants fight, that I should not be delivered to the Jews: but now is my kingdom not from here" (John 18:36). Although Jesus had tried to get His disciples to understand that very fact, Peter was still ignorant of it, lost control, and impulsively cut off the ear of the high priest's servant in the heat of the moment.



Thankfully, Jesus sacrificed for the impulsive. For those of us who have lacked self-control, He has left us an example of ultimate self-control. For those of us who are filled with pride, He has left us an example of supreme emptiness and humility. For those of us who are ignorant, He has left His Word for us to read and study. We no longer have to be sinfully impulsive. Through Jesus, we can be righteously, knowingly, and humbly composed in our everyday lives. Will you deny yourself and follow Jesus today?

—written by Clifton Angel

QUESTION BOX

(Located on table at back of auditorium)

Take this opportunity to ask questions pertinent to your life. The Bible is our source for all answers God has revealed to us. As you submit your ?'s, keep these guidelines in mind:

1. All questions will be seen by the elders before they are answered publicly.
2. There is no age limit on who can submit a question.
3. Questions will be answered one Sunday afternoon per month, depending upon the amount of questions we receive.
4. Clifton does not have all the answers—God does—and sometimes, we do not know His answer.
5. Clifton reserves the right to not address the question before the entire assembly.
6. Your questions CAN be submitted anonymously, BUT:
 - a. Reasons you may want to sign your name.
 - i. Your name will not be publicized.
 - ii. If I do not read the ? in the way that you meant it, I may answer the wrong ?.
 - iii. I can provide for you more resources and research into your questions on a personal basis than I can provide within our time limits during our assembly time.
 - b. This is NOT an opportunity for you to attack a brother, sister, or someone among us, by using the preacher.
 - c. This is not an opportunity for you to say: "I'm going to test Clifton's knowledge."
7. Approach the question box with love, sincerity, kindness, and honesty.
8. We want to:
 - a. Receive the Word
 - b. Research the Word
 - c. Reason from the Word

Sermon Review

Understanding Scripture

(2 Peter 1:20–21; 2 Timothy 2:15)

- I. **Person(s)**
- II. **Place(s)**
- III. **Period(s)**
- IV. **Publication type**

Question Box

(Acts 17:10–12)

- I. **Bereans** (Acts 17:10–12)
(1. Received, 2. Researched, 3. Reasoned)
- II. **Boundaries**
- III. **Benefits**

UPCOMING YOUTH EVENTS

1. Feb 20: Young at Heart Banquet — 6 PM
2. Feb 21: Bible Bowl @ Thyatira
4 pm, Genesis 46–48

REMEMBER NOW THY
CREATOR Ecclesiastes 12:1

NEWS & NOTES

Please Pray

Eli Martin, ear injury required surgery, at home recovering; **Inez Neyman**; **Seth Daniel**; **Wiley & Betty Tuggle**; **Helen Bowman**.

NetCasters

Fishers of Men

Far East Missions

Family & Friends

John & Anita Simpson and family, house caught fire, all got out, and fire contained to one room; **Carla Carlson**, has improved enough to be home, doctor has prescribed 3-4 pinpointed treatments for brain tumor and is confident about success; **Peggy Hunt**, Jared's grandmother, Alzheimer's; **Billie Kid**, Rebecca's grandmother, pneumonia; **Patrick & Chantelle Swayne**, asked that we pray for a safe and healthy pregnancy for Chantelle; **Trent Childers**; **Tasha Higginbotham**, ongoing health problems, in need of kidney transplant; **Andrew Jones**, friend to Weslyn, battling cancer; **Jimmy Colvett**; **Jason Spencer**; **Joy Angel**; **John Smith**, Grace's brother-in-law, colon cancer; **Elizabeth Baker**; **Paul Perkins**, Mischel's father; **Janie Brister**; **Ray Hendrix**, lymphoma; **Carole Livsey**, Clifton's aunt, lymphoma;; **Amanda Cummings**, young mother with cancer; **Danielle Key**, young mother with cancer; **Ava Roten**, **Brett Rutherford**; **Frankie Burfield**, cancer; **Jack Higginbotham**; **James Cooper**, Jan's brother, cancer; **Marie Sims**; **Renee Loya**, Parkinson's, MS, & dystonia; **Eli Williams**; **Ray Maples**; **Martha Hatfield**, Lynn's grandmother, cancer; **Virginia Johnson**, lung cancer; **Mac Owen**; **Bob Spurlin**; **Ally Jo Kelly**; **Brad & Sheri Daniel**.

Birthdays

2/2	Joyce Campbell
2/7	Abigail Wilkes
2/8	Leigh Anne Owen
2/12	Terry Bland
2/13	Tim Wilkes II
2/25	Betty Tuggle
2/27	Sherry Gaines

Get Involved!

Host a Monthly Youth Devotional!

Sign-up sheet on table in foyer.

Local Fishers of Men Classes

Monday	— Looxahoma	7 PM
Tuesday	— Olive Branch	6:30 PM
Thursday	— Nesbit	6 PM

Young at Heart Banquet — Feb 20 — 6 PM

Bible Bowl — Feb 21 — 4 PM

At Thyatira, Genesis 46-48

Quizzes online @ www.TheBibleDomain.com

Privileged to Serve

Sunday, February 15

Morning

Prayer Before Class	Wiley Tuggle
Announcements	Jared Brown
Song Leader	Andy Ratliff
Lord's Supper:	
Preside	Billy Bland
	Jim Jackson
Assist	Timothy Wilkes, Sr.
	Sammy Williams
Opening Prayer	Jerry Davis
Sermon	Clifton Angel
Closing Prayer	Chris Martin

Afternoon

Song Leader	Andy Ratliff
Opening Prayer	Jason Bayless
Sermon	Clifton Angel
Lord's Supper	Billy Bland
	Jim Jackson
Closing Prayer	Jeffrey Ferrell

Wednesday, February 18

Song Leader	Andy Ratliff
Prayer	Jared Brown
Invitation	Clifton Angel
Prayer	Ron Johnson