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"The churches of Christ salute you" Rom. 16:16

A CORDIAL WELCOME AWAITS YOU

DECEMBER 11, 2022

According To The Pattern

In the Bible, we read of a particular word in both the Old and New Testaments. That word is "Pattern". This is used when talking about the Tabernacle (Ex. 25:40), the items in the Tabernacle (Num. 8:4), the life that we live (Phil. 3:17), and the doctrine that we preach (2 Tim. 1:13). But what is this pattern and what does the word "pattern" mean? It means a blueprint or guidelines of instruction or modeling. This means that there is a set of blueprints for everything religious, as seen throughout the whole Bible. The Lord did not leave us here without specific orders and also guidelines on how we are to approach Him and live our lives.

We need to realize that there are only 2 possibilities when it comes to anything religious: it came from God or came from Man. We see this clearly stated in Mark 11:28-30.

Mark 11:28–30 (NKJV) — 28 And they said to Him, "By what authority are You doing these things? And who gave You this authority to do these things?" **29** But Jesus answered and said to them, "I also will ask you one question; then answer Me, and I will tell you by what authority I do these things: **30** The baptism of John—was it from heaven or from men? Answer Me."

Anyone in religion understands that there has to be a standard of authority for what they believe and teach. Here in our text, Jesus makes it clear, by bringing up a religious practice (the baptism of John), that it is either from God or man. Now, what does this mean? EVERYTHING that we do in religion, whether practice, doctrine, belief, etc. stems from one of these two possibilities. With the Blueprint Designer being God, everything in religion must be by the authority of God. This is the ONLY WAY we will ever please God in this life.

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But what if we find ourselves doing things according to man's authority and not God's, will there be consequences or will God be ok with it? To answer this question, we need to go to Leviticus 10:1-3.

Leviticus 10:1-3 (NKJV) — **1** Then Nadab and Abihu, the sons of Aaron, each took his censer and put fire in it, put incense on it, and offered profane fire before the Lord, which He had not commanded them. **2** So fire went out from the Lord and devoured them, and they died before the Lord. **3** And Moses said to Aaron, "This is what the Lord spoke, saying: 'By those who come near Me I must be regarded as holy; And before all the people I must be glorified.'" So Aaron held his peace.

We see that Nadab and Abihu were officiating a worship service for the Israelites and they offered a profane (unauthorized) fire to the Lord. As a result, God sent fire to devour them and they died before the Lord. Now, why did God do this? You see the answer in verse 3, "By those who come near Me I must be regarded as holy; And before all the people I must be glorified." When we are worshiping God, we have to make sure that we are glorifying GOD and NOT OURSELVES! The only way that is done is to do it according to the blueprint that God has given because in so doing, we are doing it as God has prescribed and that gives glory to God. This is the same way in the New Testament. We see this in Colossians 3:17.

Colossians 3:17 (NKJV) — **17** And whatever you do in word or deed, do all in the name of the Lord Jesus, giving thanks to God the Father through Him.

We are giving thanks to God when we do what He says in the way that He says to do it. It's all about trusting in God and humbling ourselves in being obedient to Him.

**How are we doing in this manner?
Are we giving glory to God or are we glorifying ourselves?**

- Wes Garland

READ THE NEW TESTAMENT IN 2022

December 10 - Rev. 1
December 11 - Rev. 2
December 12 - Rev. 3
December 13 - Rev. 4



December 14 - Rev. 5
December 15 - Rev. 6
December 16 - Rev. 7

OUR SICK

Please Remember Your Prayers

Edith Allen, Elizabeth Warner, Roger Warner, Gene Ruark, Natalie a (friend of Kathleen), Tish Clarke, Holly Tatum, LaDonna Gordon, Erica Stewart's Father, Rosemary Clemmons, Mickey Parsons, Toni Lucas, Roger Allen's mother, D.J. Harrison, *Cleave Binkley, Jack Piper, Sandy Smith, Elwood Flinchum, Kathy and Wayne Hutchins.*

Roger Allen's surgery has been moved to December 15th. Please keep Roger in your prayers that he will be able to be feeling better in the near future.

Sandy Smith has been released from the hospital and moved to Pelican Nursing Home, 1028 Blair St.#540N, Thomasville, NC 27360. Keep her in your prayers.

D.C. Mock was reported to be ill this past week and Ingrid stayed home to take care of him. Please pray for a quick recovery.

Tim Allen is not feeling well with his eye infection and his back. Please pray for him.

Ed O'Shields is recovering from a seizure. Please keep him in your prayers.

Bobby Childress - is waiting to receive treatment for his COPD in January. Please keep him in your prayers.

Patricia McBrayer has requested prayers for her friend, Chris Smith, who had emergency surgery. Please pray for him.

Bobby Gordon is having problems with addiction issues. Please pray for him.

Clayton, Jr. is Betty Cloud's brother, has been having blood clots. Please pray for him. Aldine Cloud has some issues and request prayers.

Polly Tatum has had some surgery which did not go well. She will go back to Duke on the 29th to get a port put in, the first chemo treatment will be on November 30th. Please keep her in your prayers.

Terri Thomason's mother, Diane Barger had her cancer come back again. There is no update at this time, but please keep her in your prayers.

Rick Maiers, Teresa Glenn's brother-in-law, has begun treatments for cancer on November 20th. Rick is not a Christian. Please pray for him for recovery of the cancer and will become a Christian following his recovery from the cancer.

Susan Huey, Mike Huey's wife, had hip surgery. recently. Please pray for a quick recovery.

Ingrid Mock's daughter, Sharon York, has underwent double mastectomy and more cancer has been found. She will have to have another surgery and treatments. Please pray for her and her family.

Welcome

WE ARE HAPPY TO HAVE YOU VISITING WITH US THIS MORNING. WE INVITE YOU TO RETURN THIS EVENING AT 6:00 P.M. FOR THE SUNDAY EVENING SERVICE AND AT 7:00 P.M. EACH WEDNESDAY EVENING FOR THE MID-WEEK BIBLE STUDY.

WARNER'S CHAPEL EVENTS:

December 16th - Ladies Ornament Swap and finger food at Brooke Garland's on December 16 (Friday) at 6 p.m.-8 p.m. Bring finger foods and a gift bag with an ornament or anything Christmassy inside for a fun game and some great fellowship! If you can meet at the church building to carpool because of parking. The address is: **216 Hawks Nest Circle in Clemmons.**

Nancy Minor will drive the bus over to Brooke's on the 16th. There is a sign-up sheet due to limit seats. Thanks - Nancy

December 25th—The Elders have decided to cancel the Sunday evening service on December 25. Sunday Classes and worship service will be held at the regular time.

January 9, 2023 - The third quarter of NCSBS will begin on the 9th of January, 2023.

CONGRATULATIONS CARLEY HAUSER!

We are very proud of you Carley, you have worked very hard to receive your Nursing Degree and we are very happy for you.

“ IN MEMORY ”

Don, Tony, and Mark Minor & their families have placed the beautiful Poinsettias in the church during the Christmas season each year in memory of Don's wife, Barbara and Tony & Mark's mother. They are always beautiful.

~IN SYMPATHY~

Becky Allen's brother, Walter Etchison, past away on last Tuesday morning. The funeral services are: Visitation at 11:00 a.m. and The Service at 12:30, at the New Jerusalem, Apostolic Church in Mocksville, NC. Our sympathy goes out to all of the families who will all miss him.

SUNDAY AND WEDNESDAY SERVICE ASSIGNMENTS

December, 2022

ANNOUNCEMENTS FOR SUNDAY AND WEDNESDAY: BRAD HOOTS

COMMUNION FOR DECEMBER: DAVID MOORE

DEVOTIONS FOR: DECEMBER

SCRIPTURE

December 4 - Rodney Brown
December 11 - Randy Warner
December 18 - Gene Ruark
December 25 - Al Lawson

SONG LEADER

Wayne Allen
David Shoaf
Gene Southern
Justin Little

PRAYER

Todd Hinson
Mark Minor
Mike Glenn
Jim Harrison

OPENING PRAYERS FOR: DECEMBER

SUNDAY A.M.

December 4 - Allen Knight
December 11 - D. C. Mock
December 18 - Carl Cooper
December 25 - Johnny Spillman

SUNDAY P.M.

Bob Tesh
Wes Garland
Mike Lundgren
David Shoaf

WEDNESDAY

Dec. 7 - Adam Warner
Dec. 14 - Gene Southern
Dec. 21 - Bill Carothers
Dec. 28 - Tim Allen

SECURITY AND GREETING: JIM HARRISON AND GENE RUARK

PLEASE OPEN BUILDING BY 10:30 A.M., 5:40 P.M., AND WEDNESDAY BY 6:40 P.M.

SONG LEADERS FOR : NOVEMBER

SUNDAY A.M.

December 4 - Clayton Workman
December 11 - David Shoaf
December 18 - Roger Allen
December 25 - Steve Tesh

SUNDAY P.M.

David Shoaf
Gene Southern
Wayne Allen
Youth Led Svc
(Coordinator: Gene S.)

WEDNESDAY

Dec. 7 - Clayton Workman
Dec. 14 - Clayton Workman
Dec. 21 - Wayne Allen
Dec. 28 - Roger Allen

PLEASE, IF YOU SHOULD BE UNABLE TO BE HERE, ARRANGE COVERAGE!

THANK YOU FOR YOUR WILLINGNESS TO SERVE.

“GETTING TO KNOW YOUR BIBLE” at 10:30 p.m. each week night on Cable 8

SEARCH PROGRAM - Sunday Mornings at 7:30 a.m. on Cable 68

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ELDERS

Tim Allen
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Steve Tesh
Andy Santiago

DEACONS

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Mark Roy
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