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

A CORDIAL WELCOME AWAITS YOU

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THE BEGINNING OF MAN

By Kevin Rutherford

"Where did I come from?" "Why am I here?" These are not the questions of an amnesiac, but rather the common questions of those pondering their existence. Origin by chance, and evolution by mutation through natural selection are inadequate explanations for the existence of man. As scientists uncover more and more information about what occurs on the molecular level, evolution becomes less and less believable. The answers to the questions mentioned above are found in God and the Word which He revealed to mankind.

Man's beginning, or origin is with God. As discussed in the previous article, God is a being who has no beginning. He is a self-existent Being such as is required to adequately explain the existence of matter and this material universe. God is the One who created mankind. The book of Genesis is not myth, fiction, fantasy, or allegory. Instead it is the Divine and accurate historical record of beginnings. This book explains to us where man came from.

Genesis 1:26-28 shows us that God created man in His own image. God is a Being of free moral agency. That is, God can make His own choices. Mankind was made in God's image in that he too is a free moral agent. God has given man the ability to make choices (Genesis 2:16, 17; Joshua 24:15). Genesis 2:18-25 gives us more detail about the creation of woman. Man was created first and then the woman. The woman was created from the side of man to stand by his side and be a suitable helper for him.

"Where did I come from?" The answer is, "God". God created man. Now let us address the second question. "Why am I here?" Or, we might ask it another way. "Why has God created mankind?" The answer is that God wanted beings of free-moral agency who could choose to love Him, serve Him, and worship Him (Mark 12:30; Ecclesiastes 12:13, 14; John 4:23, 24). Only when there is the choice to love can there be the kind of dedicated love God desires.

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Believing that man was created by God elevates the value of mankind. Mankind is wanted, loved, and especially created. Therefore, man is valuable. When we understand that man is valuable because he has a Creator, then we are more careful to treat our fellow man in a loving way. However, if man had come into existence through the blind chance and Darwinian evolution, he would have little or no value. He would simply be another animal. When men treat one another as if we are all animals great cruelty is often the result.

Believe in God and His creation of mankind makes man happier also because it gives man purpose in life. If there were no other purpose than to simply exist life would be sad indeed. However, we are here to serve God and God has promised great rewards in heaven for those who will faithfully serve Him (Matthew 5:12). You have a Creator and a purpose. This should tell you that you are valuable, loved, and important.



South West Elementary School Supply List Kindergarten through Fifth Grade

- Box of 24 crayons
- Glue sticks
- Pack of primary pencils
- Boxes of tissues
- Box of washable markers
- Book bag/back pack (no wheels)
- Solid colored 2-pocket folder
- Hand sanitizer (Purell/Dial/GermX)
- Box of zip-lock bags (quart/gallon) for flash cards, take home books, etc.)
- Pack of #2 pencils
- Erasers (pencil-top and others)
- Packs of loose leaf paper (**wide rule**)
- Pencil pouch/zippered or box
- Composition or spiral books (**wide rule**)
- Pocket folders
- 3-ring binders (1")
- Solid colored 2-pocket folders
- 5-subject spiral notebooks (**wide rule** with tab dividers)
- Package of 3x5 index cards

READ THE NEW TESTAMENT IN 2017

Aug. 28 - I Cor. 10:1-18
Aug. 29 - I Cor. 10:19-33
Aug. 30 - I Cor. 11:1-16
Aug. 31 - I Cor. 11:17-34



Sept. 1 - I Cor. 12
Sept. 2 - I Cor. 13
Sept. 3 - I Cor. 14:1-20



OUR SICK Please Remember in Your Prayers

Please continue to keep Dot Pegram, Frank & Jane Shepard, Elwood Flinchum, Don Jackson, Bob Plunk, Wayne & Cathy Hutchins, Emily Hinson, Joyce Greenup, Madelene Holbrook and Shannon Harper in your prayers.

Bob Plunk continues to be in great pain. The doctors are trying to find the proper pain blocker to help him. Please keep him in your prayers.

Please continue to keep **Shannon Harper** in your prayers as she undergoes tests to find out what is causing her severe pain.

Mindy's father, **Jim Furches**, has gout. Please pray that he will soon be able to get around.

Ted Stewart seems to have improved some. Please keep him in your prayers.

Don Minor was reported to be not feeling well this past Wednesday evening.

Rhonda Hardister requested prayers for a co-worker's father who is in the hospital at this time.

**THE PRAYER LIST IS AVAILABLE ON
THE CREDENZA IN THE FOYER.**



SHUT-INS

**Mildred Barker
Lutrelle Chipman
Di-Ann Moser**

**Dot Pegram
Eva Nelle Sidden**

Please keep the shut-ins your prayers and check the sign-up sheet to take communion to Dot Pegram if you are able. (sign-up sheet is on the bulletin board in the foyer.)

THANK YOU FOR THE LABELS:

Warners Chapel has been participating in collecting labels for the **Mount Dora Children's Home** for many years. Thanks to everyone who have been saving Campbell's Soup labels and especially to Nancy Warner who coordinates this program. This is a good work in which all of us can participate.

If you use any of the following products, please save your labels and put them in the credenza (far right hand drawer). Nancy will send them to Mount Dora for them to redeem them for educational materials for the children there.

Product labels include Campbell's Soup, Chunky Soup, Soup for One Soups, Campbell's bean products, V-8 Cocktail Veg. Juice, Campbell's Tomato Juice and Recipe Dog Food. They also collect General Mills box tops.



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.

AREA EVENTS:

Sept. 29 - Ladies' Night Out at the Linville Forest church of Christ. Dinner and Program beginning at 6:30 p.m. with registration at 6:00 p.m. Guest speaker will be Rebekah Colley from the Mackland Road church of Christ in Marietta.

Oct. 7 - Eastside church of Christ Annual Ladies' Day. Guest speaker is Sister Jonee' Lewis from Florida. The topic is "Being Salt in a Tasteless World". Continental breakfast from 8-8:45 a.m. and the program will begin at 9 a.m. with lunch be served at noon.

Oct. 21 - Highland Acres church of Christ Ladies Day. Guest speaker will be Lillian Moss from the Center Grove church of Christ.

See Bulletin Board for Details



SOUTHWEST FOOD PANTRY

The suggested item for the month of September - cereal.

Thank you for all you do.

Please Note:

The latest Peru Newsletter will be on the credenza in the foyer this morning.

FOR THE RECORD

Sunday Bible Study - Aug. 20, 2017	129
Sunday Worship Service	174
Contribution for Aug. 20, 2017	\$4,948
Daily Adult Bible Readers:	38
Chapters Read:	509
Sunday Evening Worship Service	109
Wednesday Evening Bible Study 8-23-17	96

Lord's Day Appointments For September, 2017

Serving the Lord's Table For September:

Preparing Communion for September:

Making Announcements on Sunday:

Making Announcements on Wednesday:

Brad Hoots

Daryl Cook	Mark Minor
Jason Allen	Tommy Ridings
	Kathleen Warner
	Tim Allen
	Mark Roy

Lord's Day Appointments - September 3, 2017

DEVOTIONS:	OPENING PRAYER:	SONG LEADER	SCRIPTURE READERS
Scripture - Daryl Cook	Morning - Steve Martin	A.M. - Clayton Workman	A.M. - Jim Harrison
Song Leader - Roger Allen	Evening - Adam Warner	P.M. - Steve Tesh	P.M. - Roger Allen
Prayer - Todd Hinson		Wed. - Roger Allen	

Greeters for September:

Roger & Grace Allen

Opening and Closing Building

Sunday: - Sept. 3	~	Shawn Thomason
Wednesday: - Sept. 10	~	Shawn Thomason

Lord's Day Appointments - August 27, 2017

DEVOTIONS:	OPENING PRAYER:	SONG LEADER	SCRIPTURE READERS
Scripture - Allen Cooper	Morning - Carl Cooper	A.M. - Wayne Allen	A.M. - Carl Cooper
Song Leader - Tim Allen	Evening - Jason Allen	P.M. - Tim Allen	P.M. - Sherrill Stewart
Prayer - D. C. Mock		Wed. - Don Minor	

Opening and Closing Building

Sunday: - Aug. 27	~	Mike Cooper
Wednesday: - Aug. 30	~	Mike Cooper

Greeters for August:

Atha Clark

SCHEDULE OF SERVICES - *Nursery open for small children during all services.*

SUNDAY:

Bible Classes	10:00 AM
Morning Worship	10:50 AM
Evening Worship	6:00 PM

WEDNESDAY: Mid-Week Service 7:00 PM

“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

DEACONS

David Moore
 Tim Allen
 Joe Everett
 Todd Hinson
 Steve Tesh

Randy Warner
 Keith Warner
 Andy Santiago
 Mark Minor
 Jason Allen
 Mike Cooper

Jody Everett
 Gene Southern
 Shawn Thomason
 Mark Roy
 Adam Warner
 Jacob Woodbury