

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

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## A CORDIAL WELCOME AWAITS YOU

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#### **INTO REMISSION: PART 3**

By Kevin Rutherford

In the previous articles we have examined the phrase "for the remission of sins" as found in Acts 2:38. A comparison between Acts 2:38 and Matthew 26:28 shows this phrase means "in order to receive remission of sins," and not "because one has already received remission of sins." We also focused on the Greek word "eis" which is translated "for" in the Phrase "for the remission of sins." We noted that while many translations use the word "for" to translate "eis" in Acts 2:38, the American Standard Version use the word "unto" and the Wycliffe Bible use the word "into." No known translation uses the word "because of" to translate "eis" in Acts 2:38. We also saw that Greek Lexicons all define the word "eis" as meaning, "into, unto, for, etc.," but never "because of."

To get around this, some have argued that the use of the word "eis" in Matthew 12:31 and its parallel passage in Luke 11:32 indicates the meaning "because," or "because of." These passages tell us that the people of Nineveh "repented at the preaching of Jonah." The word "at" here translates "eis" so it argued that ""eis" could indicate "because of." If this is the case, then it is an unusual exception to the normal use of the word "eis." When there are unusual exceptions to the use of certain words, one must define the words by the usual meaning unless the context clearly indicates otherwise. If this use of the word "eis" indicates "because of" it would still not prove that the use of "eis" in Acts 2:38 means "because of." In fact, the comparison of the use of the phrase "for the remission of sins" between Matthew 26:28 and Acts 2:38 would indicate the normal use of the word "eis" which means "in order to receive."

Having said this, Matthew 12:41 and Luke 11:32 do not actually prove the word "eis" can mean "because of." No standard translation gives the word "because" or the phrase "because of" as the translation of "eis" in these two verses. The accepted and normal translation of "eis" in Matthew 12:41 and Luke 11:32 is "at." The following translation show "at" to be the normal translation in this passage: KJV, NKJV, ASV, NASB, ESV, Mounce Reverse-Interlinear New

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Testament, NAB, NIV, NRSV, RSV, YLT, etc. In translation of "eis" in this passage. However, I did find a very interesting translation in the Wycliffe Bible. Wycliffe translates "eis" as "in" which would be one of the more common ways to translate "eis." The Wycliffe Bible says, "they did penance in the preaching of Jonas." One cannot prove that Matthew 12:41 or Luke 11:32 means they repented "because of the preaching of Jonah" rather than "in" or "into the preaching of Jonah. Furthermore, if we are to be consistent with the use of the word "eis" in the New Testament, we will understand this passage to mean "in" or "into the preaching of Jonah." The Lord is telling us the people of Nineveh repented into the life demanded by the preaching of Jonah.

Let's summarize our findings. One cannot prove the word "eis" is used to mean "because of" anywhere in the New Testament including Matthew 12:41 and Acts 2:38. The Greek lexicons, and the English translations do not support the use of "eis" to mean "because of." In addition, the overall New Testament teaching about baptism supports the fact that one must be baptized in order to receive the forgiveness of sins. (Acts 2:38; Mark 16:16; Acts 22:16; Romans 6:1-7; 1 Peter 3:21).

On the day the Lord's church was established, Peter told the people to "repent and let every one of you be baptized in the name of Jesus Christ for the remission of sins" (Acts 2:38). Three thousand were baptized that day (Acts 2:41). Have you been baptized in order to receive forgiveness of sins?



#### **HAPPY NEW YEAR!**

#### This is more than a wish, there are things we can do to make it so. Consider some:

- Be faithful in attendance to all worship services.
- Lead someone to Christ
- Read your Bible every day.
- Read the book of Proverbs again.
- Each week choose a passage or passages of scripture and read them again and again until you have
- memorized them.
- Carefully study our Lord's Sermon on The Mount—Mt. 5:3-7:27 and Luke 6:20-49.
- Pray without ceasing (1 Th. 5:17).
- Let the teaching of Jesus control your heart, tongue, and life (Jn. 14:15 and Cl. 3:17).
- Be ready unto every good work (Tit. 3:1).

May this indeed be a Happy New Year for you and may you do what you can by God's grace through Christ to make it so.

## **READ THE NEW TESTAMENT IN 2018**

January 8 - Matt. 6:19-34

January 9 - Matt. 7

January 10 - Matt. 8:1-17

January 11 - Matt. 8:18-34



January 12 - Matt. 9:1-17

January 13 - Matt. 9:18-38

January 14 - Matt. 10:1-20



## OUR SICK Please Remember in Your Prayers

Please continue to remember Bob and Carolyn Plunk, Wayne & Cathy Hutchins, Mary Ellen Dull and Dot Pegram in your prayers.

**Dot Pegram** remains in Bermuda Commons Nursing Home (Room 101) for rehab.

Please continue to pray for **Jeannie Moore** who will undergo further tests and hopefully have a plan of treatment for the cancer this week.

**Bonnie Landreth** is doing very well in her recovery from knee replacement surgery. She feels she will be able to be out and about in another few of weeks.

**Steve Martin** fell recently and broke his right arm and will be wearing a cast for about four weeks. He also damaged a knuckle on his left hand which prohibits him to bend the finger at the joint. Please keep him in your prayers.

Atha Clark was reported sick with congestion and sinus and ear infections this past week.

**Don Minor** has recovered somewhat from his cold and was able to attend services this past Wednesday.

Katerina Allen's father is reported to be improving and could possibly be released from the hospital Friday or Saturday (Jan. 5th or 6th). Please pray that he will make good progress in his recovery so that he may be able to safely return to his home in Sweden in the near future.

Please continue to pray for **Maribel Gil** (Andy's cousin). She has developed an infection in a lung. She is doing okay for now.

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

### **SHUT-INS**

Mildred Barker Lutrelle Chipman Ernestine Martin Kim Matthews Di-Ann Moser Dot Pegram Bob Plunk

Please continue to keep the shut-ins in your prayers. There is a sign-up sheet to take communion to Dot Pegram if you are able to help.

(Please note: Dot is presently in the Bermuda Commons Nursing Home (Room 101) for rehab at this time.



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.

#### **WARNERS CHAPEL EVENTS:**

<u>Jan. 13</u> - Ice Skating - for Youth group + 20's at the Winston-Salem Fairgrounds Annex at 1:30 p.m. Cost: \$7.00 admission and \$3.00 skate rental.

#### **AREA EVENTS:**

Feb. 24 - Ladies Day at the Cary church of Christ from, 9-12 Noon with lunch to follow. The theme is "Spring Cleaning for the Heart & Soul" The speaker will be Kathy Pollard.

#### **SENTENCE SERMONS:**

- \* Anger is only one letter short of danger.
- \* It is more than passing strange that nature designed man with his ears open and his mouth shut.
- \* A chip on the shoulder is one of life's heaviest burdens.
- \* Opportunity may only knock once, but temptation will bang on the door for years.
- \* Ships never sent out, never come in.
- \* Emotions are no substitute for actions.



#### **SOUTHWEST FOOD PANTRY**

Suggested food for January, 2018:

Peanut butter/Jelly (plastic containers)

#### FOR THE RECORD

Sunday Bible Study - Dec. 31, 2017	82
Sunday Worship Service	160
Contribution for Dec. 31, 2017	
Daily Adult Bible Readers:	36
Chapters Read:	416
Sunday Evening Worship Service	
Wed. Evening Bible Study - Jan. 3, 2017	90

## Lord's Day Appointments For January, 2018

Serving the Lord's Table For January:

Roger Allen

Allen Cooper Mark Clemmons

> Rodney Brown Gaye Ruark Clayton Workman Mark Roy

Making Announcements on Sunday:

**Preparing Communion for January:** 

Making Announcements on Wednesday:

## Lord's Day Appointments - January 14, 2018

**OPENING PRAYER:** SONG LEADER **DEVOTIONS:** SCRIPTURE READERS

- Shawn Thomason Morning - Joe Everett A.M. - Tommy Rose Scripture A.M. - Tim Allen **Evening** - Mike Lundgren P.M. - Keith Warner Song Leader- Tim Allen **P.M**. - Roger Allen

Wed. - Clayton Workman Prayer Jack Piper

#### **Greeters for January:**

**Brad and Betty Hoots** 

**Opening and Closing Building** 

Sunday: - January 14 Wednesday: - January 17

## Lord's Day Appointments - January 7, 2018

**DEVOTIONS: OPENING PRAYER:** SONG LEADER SCRIPTURE READERS

Morning - Tim Allen - Rodney Brown A.M. - Nathan Roy A.M. - Jim Harrison Scripture P.M. - Clayton Workman Song Leader - Wayne Allen **Evening** - Shawn Thomason P.M. - Roger Allen

Wed. - Gene Southern Steve Martin Prayer

**Opening and Closing Building Greeters for January:** 

Sunday: **Brad and Betty Hoots** - Jan. 7

Wednesday: - Jan. 10

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

#### **SUNDAY:**

Bible Classes 10:00 AM Morning Worship 10:50 AM 6:00 PM **Evening Worship** 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** Randy Warner **Jody Everett** Keith Warner Tim Allen Gene Southern Andy Santiago Mark Minor **Shawn Thomason** Joe Everett Todd Hinson Mark Roy Steve Tesh Jason Allen Adam Warner Mike Cooper Jacob Woodbury