

"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 2

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In part one of the article series, *Into Remission*, we examined the phrase "for the remission of sins" as it is found in Acts 2:38. We compared Acts 2:38 with Matthew 26:28. In both passages, the phrase "for the remission" means exactly the same thing. That is, "in order to receive remission of sins," or literally "into forgiveness of sins." We gave further evidence supporting this interpretation of the phrase, by examining dictionary definitions of the Greek word "eis." This is the word that is translated as "for" in the phrase, "for the remission of sins." Greek lexicons define "eis" as meaning for, into, unto, in, etc., but never as "because of".

Some have insisted that Acts 2:38 is telling us to be baptized because we have already received remission of sins, but the facts do not bear this out. Wigram's *Englishman's Greek Concordance of the New Testament* shows the word "eis" is found 1,774 in the New Testament and never once is translated "because." *Strong's Enhanced Greek Dictionary* shows us the word "because" is found 350 times in English in the New Testament translating a number of different words, but never the word "eis." In fact, no standard translation, or translation of any kind that I could find uses the word "because," or the phrase "because of" to translate "eis" in Acts 2:38.

Interlinear Bibles are those which contain the Greek New Testament with an English translation either above or below the Greek words. The *Mounce Revearse-Interlinear* and the *Biblos Interlinear* translate the phrase in Acts 2:38 as "for the forgiveness of sins." *The Interlinear Bible* edited by Jay P. Green translates the Greek to mean "to forgiveness of sins." This goes

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along with *Young's Literal Translation* of the same passage. *Wycliffe's Bible* has a very interesting and accurate translation of the phrase, which is "into remission of your sins." While the ASV uses the word "unto" to translate "eis" in Acts 2:38, the KJV, NKJV, NASB, NIV, ESV, and RSV, etc., all use the word "for."

The phrase "for the remission of sins" as found in Acts 2:38 means "in order to receive remission of sins." Have you been baptized into the forgiveness of sins?



Should One Believe The Bible?

That ours is a confused culture is conceded by almost all respected observers. Why? Largely due to a lack of respect morally and ethically for any accepted standard of authority. Still the Bible claims to be God's Book or the authoritative Word of the One who made us (2 Timothy 3:16, 17). Why don't more of us respect and honor its teachings? Clearly a lot of people don't believe it is reliable. What are the facts?

The Bible's trustworthiness is proven in a variety of ways. For example, long before science discovered many of the things the Bible affirms, it was scientifically accurate. Case in point? How Psalm 8:4 alludes to the "paths of the sea". In actuality, sailors did not know about these paths until after the Civil War when they were studied and mapped by Admiral William Fontain Murray. How did the writer of the Psalms know about them 3,000 years earlier?

Critics have long tried to disprove the Bible's historical accuracy. Archaeological discoveries have invariably proven the Bible correct and its critics incorrect. One instance of this is the Hittites referred to in the Old Testament (Gen. 15:20). Detractors argued for a time that no such people ever existed until 1906 when 10,000 tablets were discovered written in the Hittite language and detailing much of their history.

Fulfilled prophecy proved that the Bible is inspired. No man can reliably predict what will take place in fifty years, much less a hundred, or a thousand years from now. Yet the Bible contains prophecies about the coming Savior and the future of the Jews that have clearly been fulfilled; prophecies made hundreds or thousands of years before their fulfillment (Gen. 3:15; Isa. 7:14; 53:1-12; Mic. 5:2).

The point is that just as it is accurate regarding science, history, and other matters, it is also reliable when it comes to the return of Christ, the judgment to come, and eternal reward or punishment. Wise people not only believe the Bible, they also obey it.

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READ THE NEW TESTAMENT IN 2018

January 1 - Matthew 1

January 2 - Matthew 2

January 3 - Matthew 3 January 4 - Matthew 4



January 5 - Matthew 5:1-26 January 6 - Matthew 5:27-48

January 7 - Matthew 6:1-18



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 fell on December 25th and is now at the Bermuda Commons Nursing Home (Room 101) for rehab.

Bonnie Landreth is doing well in her recovery from knee replacement surgery. She thanks you for all your acts of kindness in her behalf.

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

Don Minor was also reported to be home with a head cold this past week.

Please pray for **Jeannie Moore** who had an esophageal biopsy this past Wednesday.

Alyssa Southern had her foot surgery this past Wednesday and it went well. Please pray she will not have much pain and will heal good.

Katerina Allen's father is presently in the ICU with no visitors at this time. He had a seizure and fell and broke his nose and then went into afib. Prayers are requested.

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.

~IN SYMPATHY~

Our sympathy goes out to Nancy Warner in the death of her sister **Betty Jane McBride Baity Groce**, who passed away on December 25th at 90 years of age.

The funeral services were conducted on Sat., Dec. 30th at the Huntsville Methodist Church.



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>Dec. 31</u> - New Year's Fellowship in Annex following evening service. Please bring finger foods, games, etc. Everyone is invited.

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



SOUTHWEST FOOD PANTRY

Suggested food for January, 2018:

Peanut butter/Jelly (plastic containers)



FOR THE RECORD

Sunday Bible Study - Dec. 24, 2017	138
Sunday Worship Service	171
Contribution for Dec. 24, 2017	\$7,181
Daily Adult Bible Readers:	32
Chapters Read:	450
Sunday Evening Worship Service	91
Wed. Evening Bible Study - Dec. 27, 2017	92

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 7, 2017

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

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

Wed. - Gene Southern Prayer - Steve Martin

Greeters for January:

Brad and Betty Hoots

Opening and Closing Building

Sunday: - January 7 Wednesday: - January 10

Lord's Day Appointments - December 31, 2017

DEVOTIONS: OPENING PRAYER: SONG LEADER SCRIPTURE READERS

Morning - Carl Cooper - Mark Minor A.M. - Gene Southern A.M. - Dwight Barringer Scripture P.M. - Youth Led Service Song Leader - Clayton Workman **Evening** - Bill Carothers P.M. - Clayton Workman

Wed. - Tim Allen Tim Allen Prayer

Greeters for December: Opening and Closing Building

- Dec. 31 Gene & Debbie Southern Sunday:

Wednesday: - Jan. 3

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 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