

Welcome to the church of Christ at Alisal

The Lord's Day Message

“Why Do We Sing?”



Welcome Brothers and Sisters!

Jordan will lead our **Bible Class**, **Kerry** will lead singing, **Paul McCollum** will deliver the **Lesson**. May God bless their efforts!

*Our Lord's Day
Plan...*

~ Happy Lord's Day ~

*And as ye would that men should do to you, do ye also to them likewise.
Luke 6:31*

We are praying for you!

Judy McCollum - for complete healing from her dental procedure.

Charles Barry - for healing from his flu/cold illness.

Sweeti Parichha - for help in her work with her family and the work of the church.

The Loyd Barry Family - for a safe trip to and from Arkansas to California.

Church of Christ - for strength to preach God's Word to all souls.

~God's Blessings to Everyone!~

From Here to Eternity!

Mark N. Posey

“There's a Great Day Coming” are the words to a familiar and favorite song. Christ's return is a reality; it is neither some riddle to be solved nor a code to be broken, but it is a day to be anticipated. However, when that day will occur remains a mystery to all except God (Matthew 24:36). Therefore, it should not be when that day will come that concerns us the most but how we live until that day arrives. Peter taught how we should live from here to eternity – “in holy conduct and godliness” (2 Peter 3:11 NKJV).

We should live Christ-like lives. Christ is our example (1 Peter 2:21). We should consider His “steps” (1 Peter 2:21), His “mind” (Philippians 2:5), and His deeds (Acts 10:38). Jesus' life and teaching were in perfect harmony. He cared enough to die, loved unconditionally and did the Father's will. We will walk in the paths of righteousness by living like Christ.

We should strive to save our families. One man said, “I've gone the world over saving souls and lost my son.” Noah was a preacher of righteousness (2 Peter 2:5), and yet, he saved only his wife, three sons and three daughters-in-law (1 Peter 3:20). Joshua was a busy leader, but he said, “as for me and my house, we will serve the Lord” (Joshua 24:15). The world needs more fathers like Noah and Joshua (Genesis 18:19; Ephesians 6:4).

We should be supremely committed to the Church of Christ. Brethren, never be ashamed of the “Church of Christ!” It is the Church of the New Testament. Christ died for it (Acts 20:28) and He reigns over it (1 Corinthians 15:25). When He returns, it will be delivered unto God (1 Corinthians 15:24).

We should strive for unity, peace and harmony within the Church. Ephesians 4:1-6 details the dispositions and doctrines for Christian unity. The pulse of the Church must beat in unison. With the Bible as our guide in faith and practice, we should never allow false doctrine, opinion or supposition to lead the church into error, liberalism or legalism. Let's stand foursquare on the Bible, not swaying to the left or to the right (Acts 5:29)!

We should live so that our names are always in the Book of Life. Right

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now in Heaven, there is a Book of Life. Moses was aware of this book (Exodus 32:32) and so was Paul (Philippians 4:3). Jesus told the disciples, “Rejoice because your names are written in heaven” (Luke 10:20). The names of the redeemed are in the Book of Life. Is your name in that book right now? One’s name is placed there when he or she becomes a Christian. A person’s name remains there by living a faithful life. When the Book of Life is opened (Revelation 20:11-15), will your name be there? The most important thing in life is having one’s name written in Heaven!

Life is short, death is sure, sin is the cause, but Christ is the cure! May we live for Christ all the days of our lives – from here to eternity!

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How Long, O Lord?

Terry Wheeler

Terry Wheeler “How Long, O Lord?” This prayer occurs eight times in the Scriptures. Obviously, many men of God wanted an answer to this question: How long, O Lord, must I wait, hurt, mourn, see trouble and lack justice until relief comes?

When one considers the plight of Noah, waiting was the burden. He had to wait for God to act to save him from a violent world that threatened his family and him. Then, he had to wait in the ark God had him build. Imagine sweating it out in this huge box filled with wild animals while outside the weather was cutting loose to overwhelm all nature!

Here’s the point: The wait was not forever. He got relief from the evil that surrounded him, and he got relief from the storm and the isolation of the ark. After a year in the great box, a new world opened to him, a gift from God, that he was free to use as he chose (Genesis 7:1-8:22).

We, too, find ourselves waiting in isolation as contagion and death seem to swirl all around us. We may cry out to the Lord, “How long?” Know that God hears; God will take care of you, and He will bring you out of the storm to a safe place once more. Just wait! “Wait on the Lord; be of good courage, And He shall strengthen your heart; Wait, I say, on the Lord!” (Psalm 27:14 NKJV).

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Meeting Days and Times

Sunday 9:00 am

Wednesday (via Zoom) Bible Class, singing & prayer - 6:00 pm

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