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Prayer List

Pray for all those with ongoing health ailments.

- Renee Cumberland
- Scott Williams

Communion **Preparation**

September - Rowell October -November -

Birthday / Anniversary

Camden Cooper - 1st Dwight Callens - 9th Bostyn Rowell - 10th Aubri Cooper - 15th

Men to Serve

Announcements - Larry Montgomery

Scripture Reading - Psalm 69:13 - 17

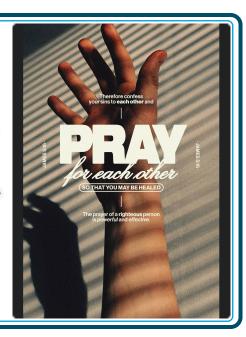
Lead Singing - Chuck Rowell

Head of Lord's Table - Dwight Callens

Assist on Lord's Table - Mark Potts

Scripture Reading - Luke 22:14 - 22

Closing Prayer - Rick Carlberg



09/17/2023 WELCOME

We are a body of believers whose soul intention is to glorify and serve the Lord Jesus Christ, who is the head of His church. Our desire is to reflect that of our God--that all be saved. Anyone who is willing to humble himself before the mighty hand of God can be saved.

WEEKLY SERVICES & MEETINGS

SUNDAY

Study of Hymns Class // 8:30 am Isaiah Bible Class // 9:30 am Worship Service // 10:30 am

WEDNESDAY

Bible Study (1 Corinthians) // 7:00 pm

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Submitting To The Authority Of Jesus

By Mike Riley

The chief priests and elders once came to Jesus and asked him, "By what authority are You doing these things? And who gave You this authority?" (Matthew 21:23). It was not likely that these "religious" folks were as interested in the truth of the answer as they were in the difficulties it would present for Jesus to answer their questions. Jesus could have answered their question in one of two ways.

He could have said that He had no authority, and by such an admission, they would have silenced Him. Or He could claim heaven as the source of His authority and in that case they would have accused Him again of blasphemy. So Jesus chose a different approach that got to the heart of the problem — He would predicate his answer upon a confession to be extracted from them which would indicate where their real interest lay. He retorted with a question similar to the one they asked Him:

"The baptism of John, where was it from? From heaven or from men?" (Matthew 21:25).

They could not answer Jesus' question, for one answer would bring them into conflict with themselves, while the other answer would bring them into conflict with the people, (Matthew 21:25-26). Their refusal to answer indicated their lack of integrity and proved their question to be facetious.

The reason that Jesus did not answer their question, was not that He was unable to do so, but rather indicated His infinite wisdom in being able to handle the ulterior motives of men. Jesus had the right to command and expect obedience — and He still possesses such absolute authority today. Our Lord stated:

"All authority has been given to Me in heaven and on earth" (Matthew 28:18).

Dear reader, it is to that authority which each of us must be willing to submit, if Jesus is to be our king.

We Reap What We Sow

By Mike Riley

The story is told of a farmer who once posted a "No Trespassing" sign to keep some neighborhood boys from crossing his property. One embittered young man vowed revenge. So one night, he walked all over the man's farm with a sack of johnsongrass seed and sowed it in every field.

Anyone who has dealt with johnsongrass, knows that it is a weed that spreads rapidly and almost impossible to eradicate (see article under heading Propagation).

A few years later, the boy fell in love and married the farmer's only daughter. Shortly thereafter, the old man died, and the boy inherited the farm.

He spent the rest of his life fighting johnsongrass.

Folks, we indeed reap what we sow both physically and spiritually, both now and in eternity (Gal. 6:7-8).