Good News From Chardon

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Issue 3

Soul Protection

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"If we confess our sins, he is faithful and righteous to forgive us our sins, and to cleanse us from all unrighteousness"

(1 John 1:9, ASV).

The email from my credit card company was frightening. "We noticed unusual activity on your account. Please review the transactions below

Schedule of Services:

Greeting: Mark
Song Leader: Dale
Opening Hymn:
59—Holy, Holy, Holy
Opening Prayer:

Ray **Hymn**:

5—Worthy Art Thou

Scripture Reading:

Gary

1 John 1:5-10

Hymn:

297—When My Love to Christ Grows Weak

Lord's Supper:

Myron & Ryan

Hymn:

55—Take Time to be Holy

Sermon: Mark **Invitation Hymn**:

98—I surrender All

Closing Hymn:

346—Hold to God's Hand

Closing Prayer: Larry

and confirm that these purchases were made by you or an authorized

user." I recognized one transaction, but not the other three.

I quickly called the telephone number and spoke with a representative. "You have our wallet protection service," she said. "You will not be charged for these purchases you did not make." I breathed a huge sigh of relief as she told me a replacement card and account number would be overnighted to my address.

How quickly we panic when we perceive a threat to our worldly goods. However, we have a possession much more valuable than our money, our house, or our car. It is our soul, and it is so precious that Jesus gave His life to save it.

Through Christ we have what I like to think of as soul protection. It is a way to retrieve our souls from hell fire when we sin. God's forgiveness, so free and abundant, is waiting for us when we confess our sins to God and repent. Unlike wallet protection, it is free to all who follow Christ.

Like getting a new credit card and account number, it is a new start, an opportunity to not have to pay for our sins!

What gratitude we should feel as we consider what could have happened. We could have been lost for eternity. Who delivered us out of the body of this death?

Thank God through Jesus Christ our Lord and His sacrifice for us and His protection for our soul.

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PRAYER LIST *Pat is home from the hospital and feeling better. *Ron is still having problems with congestion *Tom and Nina's sister-in-law, Martha, passed away Monday. *Tom's cousin, Rob, is hospitalized with rapid on-set dementia. *Juanita and her family.

ALL

CLEANSE

health issues. Zarna is participating in a Bible Correspondence course. Pray that she is receptive to the gospel.

*Larry and Ruth both fell last week.

*Dale's friend Jimmy passed away.

*Dale's friend Zarna's father has

Jayna and her family.
*Ray, Rebecca, and Steven.

Dale, his mother and his cousin

CALENDAR

| Jan. 20—Bible Study 10 am |
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| Tom |
| Jan. 20—Worship 11 am & 6 pm |
| Speaker: Mark |
| Jan. 21—b. Madelyn |
| Jan. 21—b. Robert |
| Jan. 27—Bible Study 10 am |
| Tom |
| Jan. 27—Worship 11 am & 6 pm |
| Speaker: Mark |
| Jan. 31—Logan |
| Feb. 3—Bible Study 10 am |
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Feb. 3—Worship 11 am & 6 pm Speaker: Mark

Feb. 3—Business Meeting

Feb. 10—Bible Study 10 am

Feb. 8—b. Mason

Answer to puzzle: If we confess our sins and to cleanse us from all unrighteousness.

Jesus Begins His Galilean Ministry Matthew 4:12-20

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| Hidden Message: | | | | | | | | | | | | _ | | _ | | | | | | |

Don't let your worries get the best of you; remember, Moses started out as a basket case.

SUNDAY: Bible Class — 10:00 am; Worship — 11:00 am; Evening — 6:00 pm Wednesday Evening — Postponed until Spring Website: Chardonchurchofchrist.org E-mail: Church of christ@roadrunner.com