

Good News From Chardon

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He Will Deliver Us

About 2,600 years ago, God gave idolatrous Judah into the hands of Babylon. King Nebuchadnezzar made special servants of the young men of Judah who fit his criteria. Among these were Daniel, Hananiah, Mishael, and Azariah (more commonly known by their catchy Babylonian names: Shadrach, Meshach, & Abednego). In the account of Daniel 3, we learn where King Nebuchadnezzar erects an image of gold and decrees that all must worship the it (1-7). The Babylonians complained to the king how that certain Jews—Hananiah, Mishael, & Azariah—were not bowing to the statue (8-12). The king threatened them with the fiery furnace (13-15). Their response to the king was: “If it be so, our God whom we serve is able to deliver us from the burning fiery furnace, and he will deliver us out of thine hand, O king. But if not, be it known unto thee, O king, that we will not serve thy gods, nor worship the golden image which thou hast set up” (16-18). So, the king threw them into the furnace, which was so hot it killed the king’s servants who were charged with the task (19-23). Nebuchadnezzar saw four men in the furnace, and none of them were consumed (24-27); therefore, Nebuchadnezzar changed his attitude toward God and the three Hebrew servants (28-30).

Numerous modern lessons can be learned from this tremendous and miraculous occasion. Some likely worshipped the image of gold because they truly love the golden image, or because they wanted please others, or they feared persecution. Some love money and make it their idol today, because they truly love money and believe it is what brings them happiness (1 Timothy 6:6-12), and some do so because they love to have the glory of men (John 12:43), and some do so for fear of persecution and ridicule (1 Peter 4:16; Matthew 5:10). There were also those who refused to bow to the golden image. Some worship the God of Heaven today because “He will deliver us.” How many will worship the God of Heaven even if He doesn’t deliver us? (Matthew 16:24-25). Finally, there is a lesson in the strength we obtain from suffering (1 Peter 3:16; 2 Thessalonians 1:5-9; James 1:2ff). While our faithfulness to God may cause us to pass through the fire on earth, our opponents will eventually be put to shame. It might even be the case that how we respond to suffering and persecution changes their attitude toward us and the God of Heaven—like Nebuchadnezzar with the Hebrew youths.

Truly, He will deliver us.

Clifton Angel preaches for the Coldwater Church of Christ in Coldwater, MS.

Schedule of Services

Greeting: Tom
Song Leader: Mark
Opening Hymn:
11—Praise Him! Praise Him!
Opening Prayer: Dale
Hymn:
A—My God And I
Scripture Reading: Ryan
John 12:42-50
Hymn:
289—The Breaking Of Bread
Lord’s Supper: Tom
Hymn:
154—He Lives
Sermon: Mark Lance
Invitation Hymn:
603—Jesus, I Come
Closing Hymn:
82—Brighten The Corner Where You Are
Closing Prayer: Robert

Wednesday night Bible Study has started again. Come join us at 7:00 pm. We are studying the book of Daniel

CALENDAR

Sept. 17—Gospel Meeting Week
Speaker Mark Lance
Bible study 10 am, Worship 11 am
Pot Luck following worship
Sept. 18-21 7:00 pm
Sept. 19—(b) Ray
Sept. 24—Bible Study 10 am, Worship 11 am
Speaker Mark
Sept. 26—(b) Margaret
Sept. 26—(b) Rob
Sept. 26—Ladies bible study—Nina
Sept. 27—Bible study 7:00 pm—Rob

Check bulletin board for events in the area &

SUNDAY: Bible Study—10:00 am, Worship—11:00 am

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Glory of Man or God

John 12:42-50

WORD LIST

ABIDE	BELIEVE	CHIEF
CONFESS	CRIED	DARKNESS
FATHER	HEAR	JESUS
JUDGE	LIFE	LIGHT
LOVED	MEN	MYSELF
PHARISEES	PRAISE	RECEIVE
REJECT	RULERS	SAVE
SENT	SHALL	SPEAK
SPOKEN	SYNAGOGUE	
WORDS	WORLD	

P O K X A R O Y Z C T G O Z I
J R O Q U H L N A H Q N R E V
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R A E I E V E I L E B M Y S T
N R V F S S M G Y F R E U E H
S K A E U E D E I R C N U E G
S N S S B L F S U T Q G A G I
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H G H V J W W H F A T H E R D
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PRAYER LIST

Mynda's sisters-in-law Father's health. As she travels and school starts up
Nina health issues
Mark and Debbie as they travel. **Mark's** heart and back.
Roberta, doing Bible study with Tom, stroke recovery
Bonnie as she travels. grandsons **Devin & Dakota**
Wanda's migraines; son **Allen**, sisters **Lorraine & Joyce**. Her niece **Nikki** in bad accident
Mary and family. Mary's friend **Aubrey's** pregnancy.
Kathy, is home. Her sister and friends.
Linda's health, **Tiffany's** health & stress & family
Zarna and her family
Juanita, is at Briar Hill rehab room 100, her sister **Betty** and the rest of her family.
Ray and **Barbara** and their family.
Dale's health issues, headaches and his family.
His **Mother**. heart and lungs. 7 year old girl, **Lucie**, with leukemia. His uncle **James**.
Cousin **Kenny** hernia, Cousin **Joshua** heart issues, Cousin **Randal** physical & mental health
Ray's and his family. **Rebecca's** knee & illness
Asher's upcoming surgery
Pat and her family
Robert's friend **Freeman** with cancer
Randy health issues & tests
Brenda's voice, sister **Linda** and sister-in-law **Linda** as they struggle with cancer. Her son **Mark** heart, granddaughter **Amanda**
Lenise—knee problems
Connie, Sara's mom, heart and pneumonia

John 12:42-50

⁴² Nevertheless among the chief rulers also many believed on him; but because of the Pharisees they did not confess him, lest they should be put out of the synagogue: ⁴³ For they loved the praise of men more than the praise of God. ⁴⁴ Jesus cried and said, He that believeth on me, believeth not on me, but on him that sent me. ⁴⁵ And he that seeth me seeth him that sent me. ⁴⁶ I am come a light into the world, that whosoever believeth on me should not abide in darkness. ⁴⁷ And if any man hear my words, and believe not, I judge him not: for I came not to judge the world, but to save the world. ⁴⁸ He that rejecteth me, and receiveth not my words, hath one that judgeth him: the word that I have spoken, the same shall judge him in the last day. ⁴⁹ For I have not spoken of myself; but the Father which sent me, he gave me a commandment, what I should say, and what I should speak. ⁵⁰ And I know that his commandment is life everlasting: whatsoever I speak therefore, even as the Father said unto me, so I speak.