

Sayings from the Cross

John 19

1. "Woman, behold thy son!... Behold thy mother."
– John 19:26-27

Even from the cross, Jesus _____
_____.

2. "I thirst." – John 19:28

Jesus _____ the _____ of the cross.

3. "It is finished." – John 19:30

Jesus _____ God's
_____.

December 18, 2022

Welcome

Song Leader-Ronnie Moore

63-I Will Call upon the Lord
74-Praise the Lord

Coins for Christ

NIB-I've Got the Joy, Joy, Joy,
Joy Down in My Heart

Children's Time

108-The Lord Is in His Holy
Temple

Scripture Reading

Isaiah 53:4-6

Terry Branson

Prayer

Eric Branham

144- O Worship the King

332-Lead Me to Calvary

Lord's Supper and

Contribution

Roger Shiflet

1001-Hark! The Herald Angels
Sing

Lesson- Chris Graham

"Words From the Cross"

940-Only a Step

Shepherd's Prayer

James Herring

Welcome Guests! We are honored that you have joined us today and hope that you will be blessed by your time with us in worship. The following are some helpful tips on making the most of your visit with us this morning.

Register- Our guests, as well as members, are asked to register their attendance as the pads are passed down each pew.

Attended Nursery is available for children up to three years of age in the west wing. (Kid Zone)

Quiet Bags for children are available at the table by the children's wing.

The Welcome Center has details about ministries, classes and more. It is in the main entrance outside the auditorium.

To access internet, connect to West Freeway Guest. No password needed.

Phone:817-246-8000

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Sunday

Bible Class 9:30 a.m.

Worship 10:30 a.m.

Evening 4:00 p.m.

Communion will be offered at each Sunday meeting.

Wednesday

7:00 p.m.

Minister

Chris Graham

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Victor Jones 817.584.1300

Ronnie Moore 817.821.4991

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Mike Tinius 817.657.1431

Elder of the month: Victor Jones



Why We Misunderstand the Bible – Tradition

One of the most common causes of religious confusion is the tendency to elevate tradition to the level of scripture. One "authority" dared claim "*God never intended the Bible to be the Christian's rule of faith, independently of the living authority of the Church.*" That same writer went on to claim that the scriptures "*...do not contain all the truths necessary for salvation.*" His idea is apparently that Jesus and His apostles taught various doctrines and practices that were not recorded in the Bible. What a convenient way to justify practices and ideas not recorded in scripture!

There were those in Jesus' day who believed tradition was equal to the Bible. When they condemned the disciples for disregarding one of their traditions, Jesus asked them...

"Why do ye also transgress the commandment of God by your tradition? ...Ye hypocrites, well did Esaias prophesy of you, saying, this people draweth nigh unto me with their mouth, and honoureth me with their lips; but their heart is far from me. But in vain they do worship me, teaching for doctrines the commandments of men." (Matthew 15:3,7-9)

When we elevate tradition to the level of the Bible, it is no wonder we cannot agree upon what the Bible teaches, for tradition will inevitably conflict with inspiration. The Bible fulfills its promise to provide us with "*all things that pertain unto life and godliness*" (2 Peter 1:3). Tradition can only interfere with understanding the Bible.

Chris Graham



Today

Holiday dinner. Immediately following service.

Men

Men's Bible Study, Mondays at 6:30 p.m.

Men's breakfast held each Tuesday morning at 7:00 at Westside Café. Come join in the fellowship.

Ladies' Bible Class

Tuesdays in the Fellowship Area 9:30 a.m.

Mission Work Session

Every Tuesday at 10:30 a.m. in the Fellowship Area. If you have any questions, please see Ollie Taylor-Brewer.

There will be NO PM services for this Sunday, the 18th, Christmas Day, and New Year's Day. We will resume with small groups on January 8th.

There will be no Bible classes on Christmas Day, or New Year's Day.



Special contribution for West Freeway School of Evangelism was 20,200.00. Thank you all for your support!

Ted talks...

...This congregation of God's people has been searching and praying for a new vision and mission for some time. I believe that our leaders are going to challenge us with some new ideas and ways for us to serve.

If you are a member of West Freeway church of Christ, you have placed yourselves and your trust in the eldership, so when they give you or me a task to do, it is our place to get it done. Most of us know that talk is cheap, but the time has come for us to step up. Most pray for our numbers to grow, and we have faith God will answer our prayers. But we must get to work, and let God use us as He answers our prayers (See James 2:14-20).

I've asked many of you what you think our hold up is and you say it's a lack of a mission, but I am thinking that is about to change, so get ready. In the meantime, pray for our leaders and get behind them. It is our job to follow them as they follow Jesus. Praise God.

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Our heartbeat (12/11/22)

Bible Class: 71
AM Worship: 122
PM: 52
Wednesday: 58
Contribution: \$8,548.00
Weekly Budget: \$8,660.00
Difference: -112.00
Average: \$8,115.85

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Praying without ceasing...

Love and sympathy to the family of **Joy Jones**. Her service was held on Saturday, December 10th.

Beth Moore had cervical spine surgery on December 15th.

Melinda Hay will be having surgery on January 16th.

Alicia Lockhart will be having scans done to check for bone cancer.

Other Members in need of Prayer:
James Blakley, Tom Cain, Marie Clark, Haskell and Janice Dotson, Bob Durko, Margaret Hamilton, Frank Piksie, Diana Richardson, Stephen Smith, Dolores Thatch, Donna Williams.

Family Members:

Teresa Hampton, Lisa Wilson's sister-in-law, is in the hospital having tests run to figure out the cause of an infection.

Kendra Adkins would like to have members write scriptures or notes to put in their new home.

Change of phone number for John Thompson: 817-246-4160



Don't forget to pick up your Christmas cards! They are in the office hallway.



We are in need of pop top canned goods, veggies, meat, soups etc. We also need peanut butter crackers, breakfast bars, pop tarts, individual bags of chips, fruit cups, and fruit snacks.