

# Welcome To The Killeen Church of Christ!

"Let us hear the conclusion of the whole matter: Fear God, and keep His commandments: for this is the whole duty of man." Ecclesiastes 12:13



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## TEMPORARY SERVICE SCHEDULE

SUNDAY WORSHIP 10:30 AM

# The Bible Lost In A Person's Life Shepherds Notes By Zack Petties

Unfortunately, the word 'lost' occurs seventeen times in the Old Testament. The implication is of people or things which are not to be found, forgotten, wasted, employed to no good purpose, and even unable to find the right way. Matthew



18:11 states, "For the Son of Man has come to save that which was lost." The Greek word is "apollumi," which means "to destroy, render useless, to kill, to declare that one must be put to death, to perish, to be ruined." The same word is used in Luke 9:25 when the Bible speaks of Jesus's disciples are not to avail their lives on earth to please themselves, but to live and serve God and others!

What does it mean that a person being or choose to be 'lost'? In Ephesians 2:1-5 we find descriptions of this condition of being lost from which Jesus Christ saves us. You are dead in your transgressions and sins (verse 1,5). To be dead is to be inanimate from life, to have a lost life, in this development to have lost or to be disjoined from spiritual life. Being lost is a serious matter that many have little or no concern about.

Lost described Israelites who needed to be saved (Matthew 10:6;18:11).

Lost describes those to whom the good news about Jesus Christ is hidden (2 Corinthians 4:3).

Lost describes the condition of those who have not believed the good news and do not have eternal life (John 3:15, 16).

Lost describes those people who have not loved the truth so that they should be saved (2 Thessalonians 2:10).

So, lost in a spiritual sense describes those who are not saved, who do not know the good news about Jesus Christ, and those who do not have eternal life. In Ephesians 4:17-18, we have a description of how the lost man lives his life. When a person is lost, he has a number of problems. First, his mind is empty (v.17). The Greek word for vain or empty looks at the result and indicates that the mind is ineffective. He can't relate to the word as God intends. Second, his thoughts are darkened (4:18). He can't think about things as God intends because his light doesn't shine. He might think about many things but when it comes to the things about God, he has no light to see them. And he is alienated or cut off from God's life (v. 18). He doesn't have God's kind of life. He is alienated because of ignorance because he doesn't know God. He is alienated because of the hardness of his heart. He doesn't want to know God. He's too stubborn to do what God wants him to do. He is living an unsafe, unhealthy, and uncomfortable lifestyle. We read in Psalm 14:1-3 which states of the foolish and wicked, "there is no God;" "that there's no one who does good." We then read Romans 5:12 and see that the whole human race sinned. When you combine the two, these verses help us see that everyone is lost without salvation. We think of our family members, believers out of fellowship with God, friends, co-workers, neighbors, and the list continues.

We need God to make us alive (Ephesians 2:5), through Jesus Christ prompted with love to search for lost people and to save them. What could possibly be in this world to disconcert you from a love that reaches out and draws others in? God's word sets the pattern of true love that none should have avidity to live a life lost!

In love,

**Brother Petties** 

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I cease not to be amazed at the passing of one year into another. When I was a child it did not strike me so much, but now that I am older, it seems I pay more attention. As David said, I Samuel 20:3, 'there is but a step between me and death'.

Sunday I brought a lesson from Psalm 90:10 but emphasized verse 12. In this verse, Moses says, 'teach us to number our days, that we may apply our hearts to wisdom'. Now, verse 12, tells what that chapter is all about. It is about living, not dying. He is telling us to make the most of the days we have on this earth. We should be learning and applying our hearts to wisdom.

It is hard for us to even imagine what heaven must be like! We sing an old song: 'I'll Fly Away'. Well, that day will come (Heb.9:27). This means we must use our days wisely. That is the meaning of Psalm 90.

Every New Year brings promise. Instead of focusing on the bad, we should look at the opportunities. We must not be like the One Talent man in Matthew 25. Instead of burying our talent, let's use it! There are things that we can all do that will help God's Work move forward. I am truly glad that so many are endeavoring to reach out to their friends and loved ones with the message of Christ. That is the thing the Lord desires. He wants us to be excited about our salvation, and, to share it with others. God has given us another year! Let's use it to bring others to Christ, and, to strengthen our Faith. God will bless our efforts.

Pray for me that I may continue to encourage through the teaching of God's Word. Pray for the

elders that they may continue to lead us by faith. Pray for the body of Christ. Pray that we may grow and even be closer because of this virus that is wreaking havoc on the world.

With this New Year, we can accomplish more for the Master.

With this New Year, we can praise His Name on High.

With this New Year, we can become more family orientated.

With this New Year, we can reach out to more souls.

With this New Year, we can grow closer to each other.

Happy New Year! May these be the greatest days of you!



CONTACTS: "Praising God, and having favour with all the people. And the Lord added to the church daily such as should be saved" -Acts 2:47. Members, please retrieve a contact list from the evangelism table and write your contact's information for the Card Ministry and Visitation Ministry to reach out to. Please place them in the visitation tray on the evangelism table or place them on the secretary's desk. If you only have one contact, don't wait! Turn it in & get another sheet. Thank you!

#### JANUARY CLEANING CALENDAR

- •May be done any time before the following Sunday
- Please consult with your team leader for further questions. THANK YOU!

3-TEAM ZACK

Zack

**Amanda** 

Diedre

Paul

10-TEAM ROGER

**Patrick** 

**Brenda** 

Roger

Linda

17 -TEAM JAMES S.

James

Kim-Marie

**Xavier** 

Jaden

Tay

24-TEAM BEVERLY

Beverly

Donna

Josephine

Yvonne

Marcella

31-TEAM LEE

Lee

Natalie

Rufas

# ORDER OF **WORSHIP SERVICE:**

•ANNOUNCEMENTS:	ANDRE	PETTA	WAY

**•SONG: REGGIE BASS** 

•1ST PRAYER: LEE FISHER

•SCRIPTURE READING: KINGSFORD ASARE

**•SONG: REGGIE BASS** 

•SERMON: ARTHUR DAVID

•INVITATION SONG: REGGIE BASS

•SONG BEFORE COMMUNION: REGGIE BASS

•COMMUNION/OFFERING:

JIM DUKES & DERREL HEGINBOTHAM

•CLOSING SONG: REGGIE BASS

•CLOSING PRAYER: RODNEY CARTER

•AUDIO/VISUAL: PAUL PORTLEY & PATRICK

**SELLERS** 

•SECURITY: ZACK PETTIES, ROGER DEEM, & MICHAEL ROGERS

Sermon	<b>Notes</b>
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# NEWS FROM THE PEWS

MILITARY & CIVILIANS OVERSEAS: Zane Wilson is in Afghanistan, and Tim Matter is contracting in Saudi Arabia. We are thankful for the service of our military and civilians. Please keep these members & their families in your prayers.

**OUR SICK:** Martha Bell's son, Perry, has tested positive for Covid-19. Please keep him in your prayers.

-Visiting member, Deja Williams tested negative for Covid-19, however, she is having blood pressure complications. Please keep her in your prayers.

-Amanda Petties' sister, Jewel, is having medical complications. Please keep her in your prayers.

#### CONTINUED PRAYERS FOR OUR SICK & HOMEBOUND:

Angela Thomas' daughter (Angel), Derica & her husband (Darius) Mitchell, Gladys Driver, James, Kim-Marie, Jaden, & Xavier Seay, Letty Burgos, Cheryl Flores' brother-in-law (Raymond Flores), Tim Matter's aunt (Vivian), Nichole Williams' high school friend (Rhonda Howell-Moore), Millie Simcox, Charles Culver, Jean Basco, Beverly Williams' aunt (Dot), Billye Hughes, Josephine Spear, Jim Dukes, Brenda Seller's sister (Linda) and mother, Scott Davis, Mary McAnally's son, & sister (Ann Ahrens), Shirl Foster, Julia Jones' son (Richard Jouett) & granddaughter in law (Melissa Joett), Julie Odum's mother (Sharon Schmitt), Barbara Robinson's daughter (Laura Skarba), Lois Brown, Esther Cox, Shawn Forkey, Martha Bell's sister, Skip & Tina Pallo and Tina's son (Jeremy) and Tina's sisters (Cheryle & Jeanette), Willard Dunn, Gail Mende & her son (Eric), friend (Sue Worshim), Tanja, Tiffany, & Natasha Arch, Tanja Arch's daughter-in-law, Archie & Jessie Turner, David Shilling, Garnie & Nada Miller, Linda Walts. Former members: (Penny Fogle) (Rey & Connie Cruz), (Janet & John John Simmons), (Carl Nicholson), (Tom & Diane Holubec), & (Sue Zak). Please keep these members and loved ones in your prayers as they battle health problems.

**SYMPATHY:** We wish to extend our sympathy to the family of Alice Allison, who passed away the morning on January 4. Public services are not planned at her request. Please keep this family in your prayers.

VISITATION TEAMS: Visitation Team #3 will meet with their leader, Andre Pettaway, today, to get their visitation assignments. Team members are: Andre & Alfreda Pettaway, Donna Hines, Beverly Williams, Paul & Rubye Portley, James & Kim-Marie Seay, and Brenda & Patrick Sellers. Please turn your assignment sheet in at the designated tray in the foyer when finished. Thank you!

**GRADUATION CONGRATULATIONS!** We wish to congratulate Buck & Martha Chafin's granddaughter, Kaylee Cogbill, who completed her Bachelor of Business Administration in Marketing degree in 3&1/2 years with magna cum laude honors from Texas A&M on December 10.

**TEACHERS MEETING FOLLOWING THE MORNING SERVICE:** There will be a teachers meeting following the service today.

**ELDERS/DEACONS MEETING:** There will be an elders and deacons meeting following the teachers meeting today.

# Our Guest Speaker Today Is Arthur David.

We want to especially welcome our visitors! If you are visiting, please fill out an attendance card from the back of the pew directly in front of you and leave it in the pew as you leave. Thank you for your visit and please join us again!

### LET'S ASSEMBLE SAFELY

- ⇒ Upon entering to building, we have hand sanitizer stations available for everyone to sanitize their hands.
- ⇒ We recommend everyone over 10 wear a face mask. We will be happy to provide you with one mask per person.
- ⇒ We will have individual communion sets inside zip lock bags to pick up prior to entering the auditorium.
- ⇒ Following the communion. Please place your empty communion containers in the zip lock bag and seal it. There will be a trash receptacle as you leave the auditorium.
- ⇒ PLEASE PRACTICE SOCIAL DISTANCING (6 FEET) AND PLEASE DO NOT SIT IN THE MARKED PEWS. THANK YOU!

# BIBLE STUDIES AND COUNSELING OFFERED

- ⇒ Bible Studies With One Of Our Preachers Or Elders
- ⇒ Free Bible Correspondence
- ⇒ Free Marriage And Family Counseling

To our visitors—Thanks for being with us today, and please come again!

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