

Privileged to Serve

PreacherBill Collins
 Announcements.....Randy Rives
 Song Leader Tom Fair
 Attendance Terry Dyer/Jacob King

Morning

Scripture/Opening PrayerJacob King
 Lord’s Supper

Presiding

*Dwight Callens

Assisting

Lamar King * * Lee Beech
 Ethan Clopton * * Dick Vinson

Closing PrayerJack Mears

Evening

Opening Prayer..... Byron Madison
 Lord’s Supper

Lamar King * * Lee Beech

Closing PrayerRandy Rives

Communion Preparation

Month of August..... Kitty Dooley

Month of SeptemberBeth Dyer

Service Times

SUNDAY

Bible Study9:00 a.m.
 Morning Worship 10:00 a.m.
 Evening Worship5:00 p.m.

WEDNESDAY

Bible Study6:00 p.m.

Elders

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Deacons

LAMAR KING (601) 604-2656
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Preacher

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Works Supported

Robert Martin & Stacey Ferguson
 South Pacific Missions

Pine Vale Children’s Home
 Corinth, Mississippi

Attendance Last Week

Sunday Bible Class	42
Sunday Morning Worship	93
Sunday Evening Worship	*
Wednesday Bible Study	27

Contributions & Other Income

Contribution Last Week \$ 2,238.87

Daily Bible Readers

July 31, 2016 * = * % of attendance

*Figures Unavailable



August 7, 2016

Meridian Messenger

Welcome Visitors!

“Perils to the Soul”

Have you noticed the growing fascination that some have with other people’s perils? They pay good money to watch stunt drivers jump a string of cars, or a tightrope walker make his way across a tiny rope 200 feet above the pavement. We marvel when someone unnecessarily puts himself at risk.

The greatest risk of all is the danger that threatens our soul. Paul warned that perilous times would bring dangers that threaten to undo us (2 Tim. 3-4). These perils include:

1. Ignorance of God’s Word. Some will “creep into households and make captives of gullible women loaded down with sins, led away by various lusts, always learning and never able to come to the knowledge of the truth” (3:6-7). Those who do not know God’s word are fair game for religious racketeers.
2. Doctrines of Men. “Now as Jannes and Jambres resisted Moses, so do these also resist the truth: men of corrupt minds, disapproved concerning the faith” (3:8). The Egyptian magicians resisted Moses by imitating his works. Satan is the great imitator. What God does, he counterfeits, forcing us to distinguish between truth and error.
3. Prejudice. “But they will progress no further, for their folly will be manifest to all, as theirs also was” (3:9). One who judges before he knows the facts is prejudiced. Some students searched the Scriptures and rejected the truth, while the Bereans searched the same passages and received the truth (read John 5:39; Acts 17:11). How can the same act (studying the Bible) produce such different results? The first group was prejudiced; the other, honest.
4. Desire to Please Men. Paul warns Timothy that God will judge him (2 Tim 4:1), and therefore he must continue to tell people what they need to hear, whether they like it or not (vs. 2). One of Timothy’s greatest problems would be the “itching ears” of those who demand something besides truth (3-4).

Covet correction and don’t let these perils steal your soul!

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