



PARIS TN

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Phillip Brown	Billy Hensley
Troy Buttrey	Adam Killion
Bob Comer	Will Little
Jon Davidson	Mike McDaniel
Philip Davidson	Jason Smith
Levi Dodd	Lance Winders

SCHEDULE OF SERVICES

Sunday AM Bible Study-9:30am
Worship-10:30am
Sunday PM Worship-6:00pm
Wednesday AM Adult Bible Study-10:00
Wednesday PM Bible Study-7:00

Live Radio Broadcast-10:30am
AM 1000, 97.5 FM

Spectrum-Channel 195
Sunday @ 9:00am

Live Streaming Youtube.com
Sunday 10:30 AM & 6:00 PM,
Wednesday 7:00 PM

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Sunday AM & PM / Leave Message

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Closed Group

**HEAR THE GOSPEL ON
CABLE TV AND SATELLITE
EACH SUNDAY**

Charter / Spectrum Cable:

6:00am In Search of the Lord's Way-
Channel 15
7:00am In Search of the Lord's Way-
Channel 13
7:30am Preaching the Gospel-
Channel 13

WBBJ-TV/CBS-Charter Channel 708

7:00am A Bible Answer

Dish TV 58 & Direct TV-Channel 30:

7:00am In Search of the Lord's Way
7:30am Preaching the Gospel
8:00am Good News Today

THEME FOR 2024: DISCIPLESHIP ON DISPLAY

**BY THIS ALL WILL KNOW THAT YOU ARE MY DISCIPLES
by Josh Manning**

Which is your favorite Pauline chapter? I expect you to email me or text me with your answer within the next few days or you will receive no points for this class assignment. As you think about this question, I imagine that a few different chapters come to your mind, as they do to mine. If you have been studying Romans with us on Wednesday evenings then you know I would probably say Romans 8 is one of the all-time greatest chapters in the entire Bible, let alone chapters written by Paul. Or maybe you immediately think about the great love chapter of the Bible, 1 Corinthians 13. What about 1 Corinthians 15, the great resurrection chapter of the Bible? That's an amazing piece of text and theology. Then, maybe for extra credit you would like to make the argument that Paul wrote the book of Hebrews and that chapter 11, the great faith chapter is your favorite. I would accept all of these—and many others—as being fantastic thoughts. And sincerely, I would love to hear what your favorite Pauline chapter is.

I'm going to employ the preacher cop-out and say there are far too many great chapters to pick only one. But then I will follow that up and say that for our thoughts today, let's think about some of the powerful words we find in Philippians 3 (another great chapter written by Paul, and definitely one of my favorites!). Read Philippians 3:12-14, *"Not that I have already attained, or am already perfected; but I press on, that I may lay hold of that for which Christ Jesus has also laid hold of me. Brethren, I do not count myself to have apprehended; but one thing I do, forgetting those things which are behind and reaching forward to those things which are ahead, I press toward the goal for the prize of the upward call of God in Christ Jesus."*

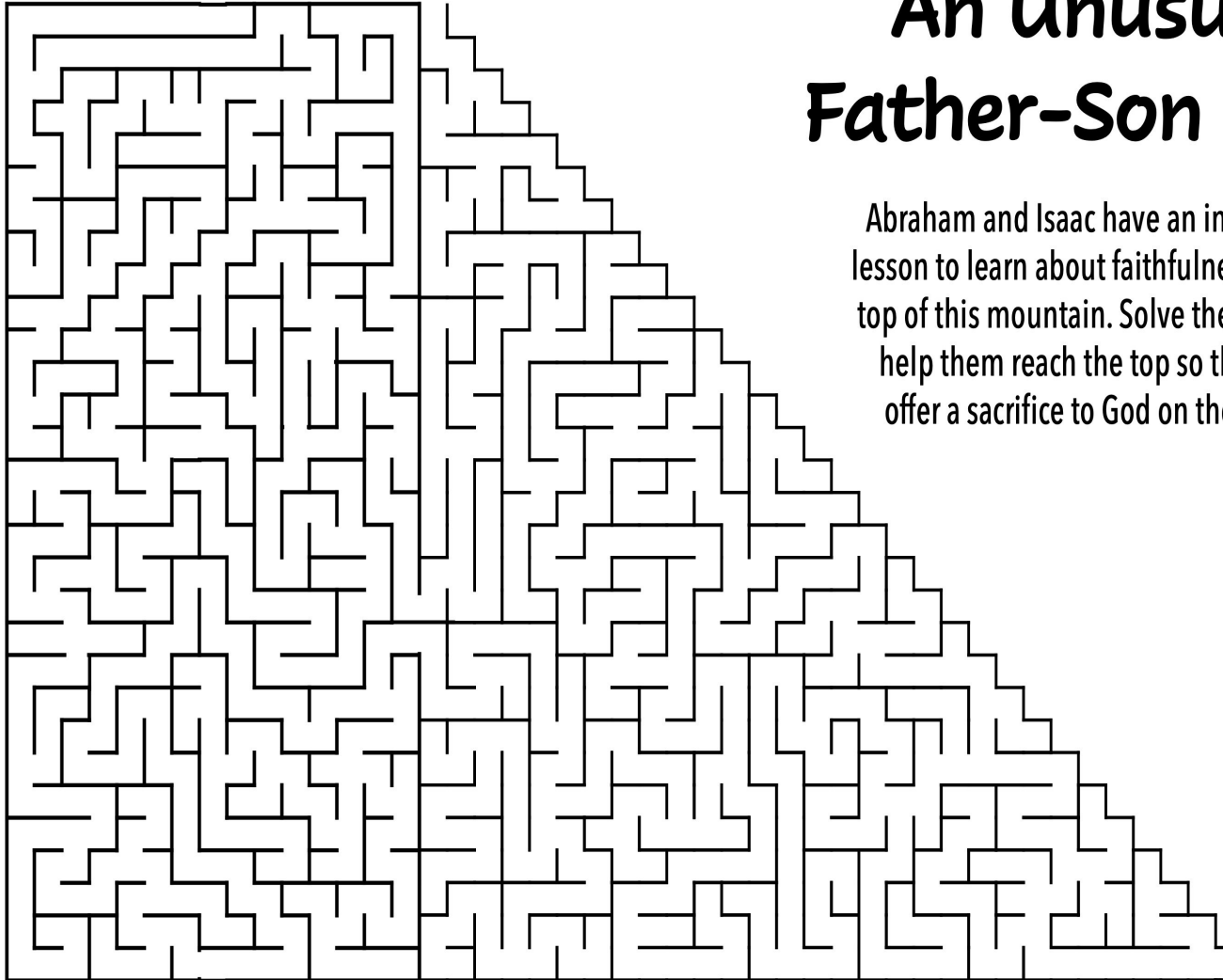
If ever you are looking for a healthy way of summarizing the Christian life, turn to Philippians 3:12-14. From these few verses we gain surprisingly deep insights into the Christian life. In the first place, we learn that Christianity is unsurprisingly all about Jesus Christ, the Son of God. For this reason, Christians are correct to see themselves as disciples of Jesus. A disciple is someone who has dedicated themselves to learn from and imitate their teacher or master. Jesus said, *"You call Me Teacher and Lord, and you say well, for so I am. If I then, your Lord and Teacher, have washed your feet, you also ought to wash one another's feet. For I have given you an example, that you should do as I have done to you"* (John 13:13-15). Paul taught us, *"Imitate me, just as I also imitate Christ"* (1 Corinthians 11:1). And Peter wrote, *"For to this you were called, because Christ also suffered for us, leaving us an example, that you should follow His steps"* (1 Peter 2:21).

In the second place, the way Christianity is all about Jesus is both humbling and empowering. It is not hard to figure out how the gospel message humbles us. According to our text, we are confronted by the "upward call of God" and the attainment of perfection—a thing that Paul himself said that in this life he knew he would not attain. We are humbled by the call to be like our Perfect Teacher. And yet, this impossible task of imitating perfection is not meant to be burdensome or discouraging. How can this be? The answer is articulated in verse 12 when Paul said that, *"Christ Jesus has also laid hold of me."* Please read Philippians 1:6 and 4:13, 19.

STATE OF THE YOUTH



← Finish



An Unusual Father-Son Hike

Abraham and Isaac have an important lesson to learn about faithfulness on the top of this mountain. Solve the maze to help them reach the top so they can offer a sacrifice to God on the altar!



Start

YOUTH ACTIVITIES

Evangelism University 2024 (EU): “LOOK UP”, Friday—Sunday, January 12-14th, Savannah, TN.

Frozen Fun Day: January 20th from 10:30 AM—1:30 PM at the building for ages 4y.o. and up.

Dorcas Sleepover: TBA

Youth Devotional: Sunday, January 28th at Christie Atkins home. Guys bring drinks / Girls bring desserts.

Basics: Saturday, February 3rd, at the Schulte home; 1020 Diggs Road/Paris.

Sky Zone Trip: February 10th.

Youth Devotional: February 18th. Guys bring drinks/ Girls bring desserts.

CYC 2024 at Pigeon Forge: “FAMILY” Friday-Sunday, February 23-25th. For all 6th—12th Graders.

BIRTHDAYS

Taylor Little

January 20

Ruthie Hensley

February 1

OUR ATTITUDE

Sunday AM Bible Study.....	163
Sunday AM Worship.....	206
Sunday PM Worship.....	112
Wednesday PM Bible Study.....	119
This week's contribution.....	\$10,585
Weekly Budget.....	\$8,480

FOOD PANTRY

Powdered Milk, Dry Cereal (Small Boxes), Instant Potatoes, Canned Black Beans, Canned Carrots, Canned Sweet Peas, Vienna Sausages, Potted Meat, Peanut Butter, and Jelly

SUNDAY A.M.

Announcements
Opening Prayer
Scripture Reading
Closing Prayer
Preside

West Side

East Side

JANUARY 14

Michael Williams
Craig Brown
Philip Davidson
John McDavid
Ethan Schulte

Daniel Belisle
Matt Ellis
Patrick Peale

Mike McDaniel
Dave Perry
Lance Winders
Stan Wilson

JANUARY 21

Michael Williams
Max Henry
Brian Foster
Rudy Peoples
Steve Durham

Jon Davidson
Bobby Barton
Jason Smith

Will Little
Hunter Bethune
Logan Davidson
Stephen Blackwell

SUNDAY P.M.

Opening Prayer
Scripture Reading
Communion &
Contribution
Closing Prayer

JANUARY 14

Jim Russell
Gavin Wynn

Troy Buttrey
Rick Moody

JANUARY 21

Mark Brown
Donald Drinkard

WEDNESDAY

Song Leader
Invitation
Closing Prayer

JANUARY 17

Philip Davidson
Craig Brown
Charles Clark

JANUARY 24

Billy Hensley
Mark Brown
Phillip Brown

JANUARY

USHERS: Levi Dodd/ Brad Smith
BENEVOLENCE: Troy Buttrey / Bob Comer
CONTROL ROOM VIDEO: Javan Winders
EAST SIDE DOOR: Adam Killion

KEEP THE FOLLOWING IN YOUR PRAYERS

Zora Adams: went to St. Thomas for heart cath, January 12th; 191 Woodland Acres Road / Paris TN 38242

Betty Atkins: placed in a secure unit at Charter Senior Living after a fall, the first week of January, fracturing her nose and knee; Charter Senior Living Of Paris, 350 Volunteer Drive, Room 213 Memory Care Wing, Paris

Wesley Owen: (Patti Owen's son) home.

Larry Ellis: (Matt Ellis' father, Mary Ellis' son) cardiac stint placed, Monday, January 8th. Please remember him in prayers.

CONTINUE TO KEEP IN YOUR PRAYERS

Leon and Carolyn Bumpus
Buddy Goad
Joe Orawczyk
Zet Presson
Peggy Shepherd
Darla Russell
Ray Tucker
Valerie Wynn
Darlene Humphrys
Dale & Kathy McCant
Stan Summers
Marcia Wimberley

THANK YOU

I appreciated the fruit plate and enjoyed the visit with Cheryl VanPatten. Thank you for thinking of me.
Ruth Parker

Dear church family, I want to thank you for the delicious fruit plate you sent me for Christmas. I also want to thank everyone for all the cards, visits, and calls I received on my 96th birthday. You all helped to make my birthday even more special. I wish I was able to worship with you in person. I keep you all in my heart. Thank you for your prayers. In Christian love, Ray Tucker

BOYS TO PICK-UP CARDS

Wednesday, January 17th: Gavin Wynn and James Wilson
Wednesday, January 24th: Clint Wynn and Charles Atkins

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Return Service Requested

ANNOUNCEMENTS

FIA Team 2: met this morning at 8:30 AM, for breakfast, anyone who was not able to attend can pick up assignments from Stephen Blackwell.

Marriage Retreat Meeting: the Family Committee and anyone interested in going on the Marriage Retreat, or interested in more information, is asked to come to the meeting at 5:00 PM today in the small auditorium.

Mighty Oaks Trip: to Southern Reds in KY, Thursday, January 18th at 10:30AM. Sign-up sheet on family committee board.

Baby Shower: Sunday, January 21st from 2:00 PM -3:30 PM for Laura and Josh Manning at the home of Ethan and Alyssa Schulte. They are registered with Amazon and Walmart for their little boy, Caleb; 1020 Diggs Road / Paris

West Cancer Center and Research Collection: collecting snacks and small canned drinks (limited room for drinks) for the West Cancer Center until February 26th. Collection boxes will be set out, just outside the auditorium, beginning in January.

Coat Give-A-way: As heavy and warm winter coats go on sale, please remember that our Coat Give - A-Way will be in November. We need children's sizes especially infant to 5, Adult sizes 2XL and larger, and all sizes of Men's Heavy /Warm coats. Gloves and hats are appreciated as well. Please donate coats that are clean, in very good condition, and in style. Thank you for supporting this outreach.

Marriage Retreat: February 14-18th, "Climbing To Greater Heights Together" located at Gatlinburg church of Christ and Sevierville church of Christ. Flyers on Family committee & Office Bulletin Boards. \$99 a couple Registration. Register at www.smokymountainmarriage.com or call 1-877-338-3397 for more information. Keynote Speakers: Scott Cain, Joshua Cantrell, Kevin Hahn and Aubrey Johnson; Additional Speakers/ Staff: Todd Clippard, Clark Sims, Mark Howell and Eddy Gilpin.

Furniture Building: The Furniture building is very low. If you have beds/kitchen tables & chairs/ Living Room furniture that is fairly new and gently used, contact Dave Perry by calling or texting at 731-363-2943. We are no longer taking any electrical items including stove, refrigerator, microwaves, lamps nor televisions.

DATES TO REMEMBER

January 12-14: Evangelism University 2024 (EU)

January 14: FIA Team 2 8:30 AM Meeting in MPR
Marriage Retreat Meeting @ 5:00 PM in the small auditorium

January 17: Wednesday Night Meal Team D

January 20: Frozen Fun Day 10:30 AM-1:30 PM at the church building

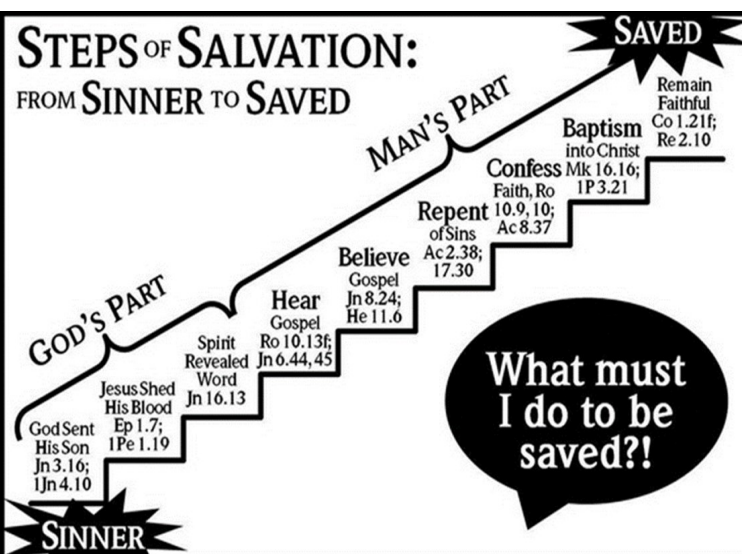
January 21: FIA Team 3

Eiffel Gardens Singing @ 2:00 PM

Baby Shower for Laura & Josh Manning from 2:00 PM—3:30 PM at the home of Ethan and Alyssa Schulte.

January 28: Youth Devotional at Christie Atkins home. Guys bring drinks / Girls bring desserts

FIA Team 4



ELDER'S CORNER

REMINDER: The elders welcome all newcomers. If you would like to be identified as a member here or if you have not had the opportunity to meet the eldership, the elders would like to meet with you briefly to introduce ourselves and to explain our position on certain issues and matters of doctrine.