

# Church News

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**Friday, December 7th @ 6:00pm**

## Movie Night at Ravenna Christian

Movie Night at Ravenna Christian Church on Friday, December 7th at 6 p.m. We will watch the classic, 'It's A Wonderful Life.' The menu will be different chili's, sides and desserts. Everyone welcome!

**Friday & Saturday, Dec. 7 & 8 - 7:30pm**

## Live Nativity Drama at Rice Station

Rice Station Christian Church will be presenting its annual "Live Nativity Drama" on Friday & Saturday, December 7 & 8, 2018, starting at 7:30 p.m. Everyone is welcome and refreshments will be served afterwards in the fellowship hall.

**Sunday, Dec. 16th & Tues., Dec. 18**

## Choir to Present Christmas Musical

The First Christian Church Choir, under the direction of Becky Snowden, will present a Christmas musical by Lloyd Larson, "Were You There on That Christmas Night?" during the morning worship service on Sunday, December 16. Morning worship begins at 10:45 a.m. It will be presented again on Tuesday evening, December 18, at 7 p.m. This is always a wonderful time to enjoy our beautifully decorated sanctuary at this evening performance. Please invite your friends and family. The Choir is working diligently on this musical and invites everyone to join with them in celebration of the greatest gift of all, our Lord and Savior Jesus Christ.

## Philip and the Ethiopian

Acts 8:34-37

34 And the eunuch answered Philip, and said, I pray thee, of whom speaketh the prophet this? of himself, or of some other man? 35 Then Philip opened his mouth, and began at the same scripture, and preached unto him Jesus. 36 And as they went on their way, they came unto a certain water: and the eunuch said, See, here is water; what doth hinder me to be baptized? 37 And Philip said, If thou believest with all thine heart, thou mayest. And he answered and said, I believe that Jesus Christ is the Son of God.

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## Eternal Vengeance

by **BOB CASEY**, preacher  
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The older I become, along with personal conversations and hearing others preach, I have noticed that many times only a half gospel may be preached. 'What do you mean,' some may ask? Well, the Bible plainly shows God's great plan for mankind and gives clear directions upon how to manifest that we believe it and have accepted and are striving to show it in our actions of life. This is God's intentions for us for He says in **Matthew 5:16**, "Let your light so shine before men, that they may see your good works, and glorify your Father which is in heaven." This we should all strive to do.

But at the same time, while we accept that our God is a God of great love and mercy, we may fail to also recognize that our God is also a God of terror. So, in my opinion, the latter is being mentioned far less than the first. Why is this so? Someone has used this euphemism, 'You can catch more flies with honey, rather than salt.' I have also said that, as a preacher, I am not in the fly catching business but in the Lord's business, attempting to awaken folks to the facts found in God's Word. In 2 Corinthians 5:10-11, we are informed of the Judgment Day that is surely coming upon all of us. We just don't know the day it will be, but in the very next verse, Paul tells us that the reason he preaches is to warn men of the terror of the Lord. Some may be thinking, 'What is this terror comprised of?' Well, a good place to begin would be to read 1 Thessalonians 1:6-9 where it tells of a day when Jesus shall come back from Heaven with a mighty host of angels. Revelations 20:15-20 says it is the call of judgment around the Great White Throne. But, his business in this day will consist of recompense; meaning, the act of paying for the harm we have done to Christ or mankind. Yes, a day of retribution! He has in **1 Thessalonians 1:8**, "In flaming fire taking vengeance on them that know not

God, and that obey not the gospel of our Lord Jesus Christ." He says that vengeance is in the form of everlasting punishment from (forever) the presence of the Lord.

The Jewish people as a nation, along with their political system and also their religious system, was annihilated by the Romans in A.D. 70, thirty-seven years after they nailed Jesus to the cross. This caused Paul to write in 1 Thessalonians 2:14-16, saying to his Jewish Christian friends, ye are suffering at the hands of your own countrymen, saying, these are the ones who killed the Lord Jesus, also the prophets whom God sent unto them and to us his apostles, saying, they please not God! Even forbidding us to preach the the non-Jews that they might be saved. He adds, they have filled up their sins in a bowl of wrath which shall come up on them to the uttermost.

So today, we must approach the present time with a type of the same situation. Men and women alike are still not obeying the Lord as they should, along with unconverted sinners that have not obeyed the Gospel at all. This must be discussed, preached, shouted in every place we are able, that our Lord saves us and desires to save us. But, if we fail to honor him, he also has a mind set unto vengeance at the end of this world.

There are many places in the New Testament that give several disruptions related to vengeance (flaming fire, outer darkness, torment, furnace of fire, a place of remorse filled with screams and gnashing of teeth, and without even one drop of water to soothe the parched tongue). Am I dealing in dramatics? No, because this is the Bible's description of eternal hell.

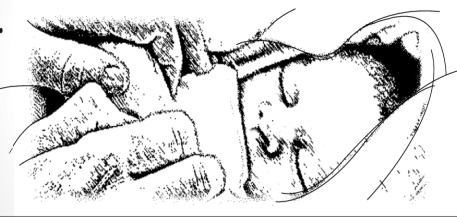
So, why would anyone desire to go there? Personally, I don't know of anyone who would want this, but the way many are living, it seems to me that they don't believe it exists. Ask the man in Luke 16:19-21. See if he now believes it. So, he is one too late of men. So today, if you have read this, I hope it shocks you into reality; that this could be me unless I open my mind and obey the Lord.

I hope you will, and soon, the Lord is coming.  
**Sincerely, Bob Casey, (1-859-369-4165), local**

**THE ILLUSTRATED BIBLE**

*So it was, that while they were there, the days were completed for her to be delivered. And she brought forth her firstborn Son, and wrapped Him in swaddling cloths, and laid Him in a manger, because there was no room for them in the inn.*

LUKE 2: 6,7



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## BIBLE WORD SEARCH

by Elie's Spiritual Treasures

1 THESSALONIANS 3:13

May he **strengthen** your **hearts** so **that** you **will** be **blameless** and **holy** in the **presence** of our **God** and **Father** when our **Lord Jesus** comes **with** all **his** holy **ones**.

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# Santa Is Coming To Town!!!

The Estill County High School baseball team is hosting a fundraiser

## “WIGWAM WONDERLAND”

*Have a fun-filled time with Santa! Enjoy food, fun & prizes!*

**Saturday, December 15th at the Irvine Masonic Lodge, 12:00 Noon until 3:00 p.m.**

*Your child's ticket must be purchased in advance. No tickets will be sold that day.*

*Their \$5.00 ticket will cover food, photo with Santa, and a surprise gift. Many other activities and food will be available on Saturday.*

**Come out and see Santa and support your local baseball team!**

\*Parent Admittance is Free\*

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## seeds of Hope



Dan and his Dad were sitting together looking at a family photograph album. Looking at a picture of a young man who had a head full of hair he asked, "Who's that guy, Dad?"

"Me," he replied. "That's how I used to look."

"What happened?" he asked curiously.

Things change. People change. Times change. The universe changes. The heavens, admitted the Psalmist, will grow old. God will change them as a man putting on new clothing and throwing away the old. And then he wrote, "But You will remain the same, and Your years will never end!"

Everyone is familiar with change. It is part of life. There are times when it is welcome

and there are times when we fight against anything that is new and different, untried and unproven. There are days when everything is turned upside down and inside out. Some mornings begin with peace and calm and then turn into a tempest by lunch. We assume that we will escape every illness and live long only to be diagnosed with cancer. We know that our marriage will last a life time only to receive a notice that our spouse wants a divorce.

Is there any news that could be more welcome - more comforting - more desired - more important - more joy producing than the words of the Psalmist: "You - O Lord - will remain the same"? Now and through eternity.

No matter the day or the difficulty, the problem or the pain, His love and His faithfulness guard us!

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