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LEARNING & WORSHIPPING

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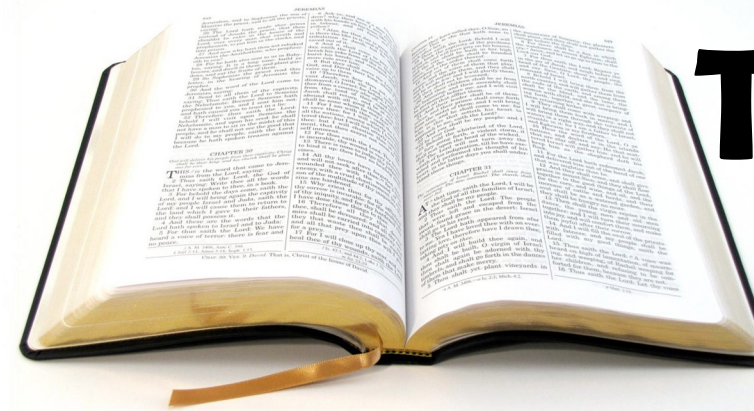
John's revelation of heaven's throne scene is a startling portrait of authentic worship, erupting with praise and adoration for the slain Lamb. Present are the elders and "myriads of myriads" of angels each motivated to sing of their love for Christ (Revelation 5:11). He is the Lamb of God, who takes away the sin of the world (Revelation 5:9, 12). To this truth John long before had attested (John 1:29). He is further described as the Lion of Judah (Revelation 5:5). He is the only one worthy to judge the earth and to reveal the hidden message of the scroll, sealed with seven seals. Jesus is wonderful, and these men and celestial beings cannot resist saying so.

But, may we ask, "What motivates you to worship?" Once the child of God has examined the character of Christ, the more he or she yearns know. The more the Christian knows,

the more he desires to laud praise for all He has done and promises to do. Only the Lord can satisfy the hunger and thirst for God (Matthew 5:6). It is in worship that the believer's heart is filled. Praise becomes part of a cycle: learning, loving, worshipping, serving, and receiving. Then the cycle repeats itself.

Should our worship not be praising God for who He is? To do that, we must take the time to know Him. It's more than mere attendance of an assembly. It is our commit to discovering Him through regular Bible study, prayer less focused on self, and service to His kingdom. Amazingly, even as we are satisfied, we crave more of Him in our life. The more we know of Him, the more we want to know, need to know. And so the Christian mines the word of God for His living and abiding treasures and begins the cycle again. □

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The Head Even Christ

By Michael W. McLemore

Jesus Christ is the head of the New Testament church (Ephesians 1:22). Its ownership is apparent considering its members wear His name — Christian. Yet, there is so much more.

The headship of Jesus over all things to the church bespeaks his prominence, superiority, and exaltation with reference to that body. No man, convention, or body is to vie with him for the lofty position occupied by himself.

The idea of authority and right to control is inherent in the term head. The meaning of the Greek word kephale is apparent when one considers its natural significance. As the physical head of man directs and controls his physical body, so Christ occupies the directive and controlling authority in his church. It is a metaphor for the authority and direction of Christ in reference to believing men. His will, which is in his word, is the only lawful guiding principle for all the activities of his spiritual body, the church.

This relationship of head suggests the idea of honor and glory. Whatever glory the church may possess, she has it because of her relationship to Christ the head. Christ is the Son of God. Christ died and paid the debt to redeem the body, the church to God. He has been given an honored place at His Father's right hand. The church will ultimately be presented to His Father by Him. It is a glorious body because it has a glorious head.

The husband is the head of his wife, so is Christ the head of the church (Ephesians 5:23). Implicit in this figure is loyalty, shared purpose and expectant joy. The church is inherently loyal to her head, Jesus. There is no thought of allegiance to another. For one to forsake that commitment is tantamount to adultery. Too, it implies a blissful union in purpose. As the wife shares her husband's desire to rear and propagate His name, so the church shares Christ's desire to spread the borders of His kingdom. Within this union is a joy which exceeds that of any human relationship. Husbands and wives are blessed by one another and by their relationship. Christ and His people enjoy a mutual joy that is unsurpassed. His awareness of the success and accomplishments of his bride brings Him joy unspeakable. Too, the bride is showered with blessing by the one who loves her so.

Finally, the headship of Christ is singular — not dual. Christ in heaven does not share his headship with any human being upon the earth. He vies with no one. The New Testament is silent with respect to an "earthly" head of the church. Men may condone. God does not. One may as well speak of a two-headed man as to talk about two heads to the Lord's spiritual body, his church. The one a physical monstrosity, the other a spiritual monstrosity. May God help us submit to Him who is now head of our souls. □

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Watch LIVE!

FAMILY MATTERS

News and Notes of Interest to Weatherly Members



We're Back TONIGHT at 6!

FAMILY UPDATES

Prayers:

We are continuing to pray for **Raymond Harbin**, son of our **Maragem Harbin** and brother of **Jimmy**. Say his name to the Lord as you pray this week. Also, please pray for sister Maragem. She has several daily struggles. We really miss seeing her. Jimmy & Debbie watch the stream with her each week.

Ron Harmon underwent a medical procedure last week. It went well and he is home doing good. It's thrilling to see Ron walking in and out of the meeting house under his own power. He still has several limitations, but his progress is awesome! Keep **Ron & Phyllis** in your prayers.

The Starks' granddaughter, **Ciera Elledge**, remains in the forefront of our daily prayers. Ciera has long road ahead with radiation therapy. Please say her name to the Lord as you pray daily.

Zoila Herring, Mechi Hunt's sister, needs our prayers for her as she continues treatment. Ask the Lord to watch over her and over those who love and care for her.

Pray for those who are in assisted living facilities and memory care — **Laura Phillips, Jim Risner, & Lane Roberts.** ☐

Daily Prayer List:

Glenda Cavender **Melvin Godette**
Laura Phillips **Ron Harmon**
Charlotte Hagewood **Lane Roberts**
Bill Reavis

Help Welcome Our Guests

COVID has made everything difficult. One of the habits that we have naturally developed is refraining from approaching those that we do not know well. Remember we are blessed each week to have a number of guests that attend our worship services. Be sure to greet them. Weatherly has always been known as a warm receiving family. Let's make sure every guest knows how much we appreciate their presence. Be sure each receives a guest card.

TODAY AT WEATHERLY

Sunday morning Bible Class begins at 9:30. Today **Mike** is continuing his study of **2 Timothy** — **Fulfill Your Ministry**.

Sunday morning worship begins promptly at 10. **Mike** is continuing his series — **Lessons from Jesus' Last Week**. His lesson today is title **He is Risen** from **Luke 24:1-12**.

Sunday evening worship begins at 6. Our attendance last Sunday night was even better than the week before. It's really great to see so many little ones on the front seat for **Bible Skillz!** Tonight **Mike** will be discussing the 3rd Big Bible Question. Cain asked God, "Am I My Brother's Keeper?" We hope you'll come back tonight and see how God answered him.

Wednesday Mike's class will continue the study of **2 Timothy**. Thanks to **Phil Shaver** for filling in last week. We meet at 7 pm. ☐

Tomorrow

Jimmy Tuten

"Tomorrow" is the great enemy of advancement. Boasting of tomorrow is the lazy man's way of evading today's duties.

"Tomorrow" leaves more tasks undone, more books unread, more house uncleaned, more programs unlauached, more resolutions unkept than any other factor in life.

"Tomorrow" is the great enemy of the church. Our greatest liability is not our ignorance, or our unconcern, or our unwillingness, but "Tomorrow." More absentees have been neglected, more lessons have gone unprepared, more prospects have gone unlisted, more lost people have gone unsaved because of "Tomorrow." It is the great enemy of the soul. Where one man has died and gone to hell because he was an infidel, an agnostic, or an atheist, ten thousand have gone because they have counted on "Tomorrow."

"Tomorrow" is Satan's best scheme in keeping lost men lost. Yes, Satan knows he will never destroy your faith in the Bible or your belief in the love of God. He does not care when you realize that you are lost and need to be a Christian. He knows all of these things are of no avail to you if he can keep you waiting until "Tomorrow." ☐

WEEKLY WALK

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Sunday AM Assembly 10:00 am
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Phil Furlough **Steve Hagewood**
Kirk Hatcher **David Jacks**
Hill Roberts **Collis Terry**
Bobby Wright



These are asked to assist in our labor.

Sunday, April 17

Welcome: **Tommy Hill**
Song Leader: **Hill Roberts**
Opening Prayer: **Alex Thompson**
Lord's Table Lead: **Bill Thompson**
Sermon: **Mike McLemore**
Closing Prayer: **Riley Monroe**

Luke 24:1-12

He is Not Here!

Sunday, April 24

Will Starks
Mel Ambrose
Steve Hagewood
Phil Shaver
Mike McLemore
Gene Preston

Luke 24:13-35

Eyes Wide Open

Evening Worship

Bible Skillz **Mike McLemore**
Songs Leader: **Hill Roberts**
Opening Prayer: **Ed Dill**
Closing Prayer: **Dwight Ivey**

Evening Worship

Mike McLemore
Mel Ambrose
Tommy Hill
Marty Hunt

Wednesday, April 20

Songs Leader: **Phil Furlough**
Invitation: **Mike McLemore**
Closing Prayer: **David Jacks**

Wednesday, April 2

Collis Terry
Mike McLemore
Ed Dill

2022 Lectures TBA

Quarterly Adult Classes

March — June 2022

AUDITORIUM SUNDAY

Fulfill Your Ministry
Mike McLemore

AUDITORIUM WEDNESDAY

Second Timothy
Mike McLemore

Serving in April

Serving on the Lord's
Table AM & PM
**** Overseer**

**** Collis Terry (4-3), Phil Furlough (4-10),**
Bill Thompson (4-17), Phil Shaver (4-24)

Communion Prep
Building Lockup

Phil Furlough

APRIL BIRTHDAYS



4-18 **Peggy Monroe** **4-20** **John Stokes**
4-21 **Charley Carter** **4-21** **Dianne Dill**
4-21 **Mechi Hunt** **4-23** **David Jacks**
4-25 **Sue Terry** **4-27** **Lauren Thompson**
4-29 **Harrison Smith**

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