



**COMMUNITY SERVICE BASED
CHRISTIAN CELEBRATION**

***Helping our community with caring love while enabling them to
find and follow Jesus!***

Church for people disillusioned with church, who want to make a difference!

True love and caring . . .

Romans 12:9-17

Love must be honest and true. Hate what is evil. Hold on to what is good. Love each other deeply. Honor others more than yourselves. Never let the fire in your heart go out. Keep it alive. Serve the Lord. When you hope, be joyful. When you suffer, be patient. When you pray, be faithful. **Share with God's people who are in need. Welcome others into your homes.**

Bless those who hurt you. **Bless them, and do not call down curses on them.** Be joyful with those who are joyful. Be sad with those who are sad. Agree with each other. Don't be proud. **Be willing to be a friend of people who aren't considered important.** Don't think that you are better than others.

Don't pay back evil with evil. Be careful to do what everyone thinks is right. **If possible, live in peace with everyone.** Do that as much as you can.

Agenda (see news letter)

ACTIVITY	DURATION EXPECTED
INTRODUCTORY/ OPENING PRAYER	5 min
Gathering / Communicating Community needs	10 min
Gathering prayer needs	5 min
Prayer for community and praying for needs	15 min
Short Message/ Discussion /Helpful thoughts to remember from the bible	30 min
Gathering of the monetary contributions for the community work (tithes)	5 min
Praise and Worship Music (counting of monetary contributions, join in or get something to drink / eat at the same time)	15 min
Prayer for wisdom in distribution of monetary contributions	5 min
Discussion on work parties and activities planned to support the community over the next period (specifically for the next week)	15 min
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Community needs?

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Notes on Needs from last week

Computer – for January

Planning

- timeframe for stairs
- 11 cords outstanding – stacking
- Dave F tiling

Wood for winter – stockpile = 5cords?????

- Person single mom needs 10 chords wood and will also need oil.
- Person moving into the area needs help with household items and baby items
- Wood for A & E 10 chords \$750

Judas purses as of last week

- Taylor \$350 in purse
 - Wood \$1200, \$850 (not \$600), paid 9 cords delivered (15Oct) , 11 cords outstanding,
- Kathleen \$172 in purse
 - Missions \$172
- Shinara \$112 +\$60(Taylor) in purse
 - Community \$172
- Morry \$72 in purse
 - +\$750 for wood A+E
- Income this week \$280

TOTAL=\$994 (BREAKOUT= \$750 [wood for E+A]) =\$244

See website

Prayer requests?

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PRAYER ITEMS

J. has a tumour.	P. who's husband with hip replacement, cannot walk . Diabetes issues! He needs live in care giver.
J.: Improvement in home situation	Remaining loads of wood for E & A
J. and C. in Regina	
M. to have the meeting and get back to school	T. to be able to find a school to go to.
S. father having difficult with disorders and drugs and needing medical assistance. Brother leaving tomorrow.	J. paperwork to move to other house
B. feel well	T.-recovery would continue to go well.

Sort message/ discussion

Rejecting the God of Grace?

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LAST WEEK:

Let's leave simple teachings and move on!

(An answer to boredom with life)

Try getting the basics right!

- Turn away from things that drag us down...
- Have faith in God...
- Get baptised and teach others about it...
- Place hands on others for spiritual effect...
- Truly understand and explain that people rise from the dead...
- Understand God's judgement...

LAST WEEK : Benjamin Franklin 13 virtues,

1. "**Temperance.** Eat not to dullness; drink not to elevation."
2. "**Silence.** Speak not but what may benefit others or yourself; avoid trifling conversation."
3. "**Order.** Let all your things have their places; let each part of your business have its time."
4. "**Resolution.** Resolve to perform what you ought; perform without fail what you resolve."
5. "**Frugality.** Make no expense but to do good to others or yourself; i.e., waste nothing."
6. "**Industry.** Lose no time; be always employ'd in something useful; cut off all unnecessary actions."
7. "**Sincerity.** Use no hurtful deceit; think innocently and justly, and, if you speak, speak accordingly."
8. "**Justice.** Wrong none by doing injuries, or omitting the benefits that are your duty."
9. "**Moderation.** Avoid extremes; forbear resenting injuries so much as you think they deserve."
10. "**Cleanliness.** Tolerate no uncleanness in body, cloaths, or habitation."
11. "**Tranquility.** Be not disturbed at trifles, or at accidents common or unavoidable."
12. "**Chastity.** Rarely use venery but for health or offspring, never to dullness, weakness, or the injury of your own or another's peace or reputation."
13. "**Humility.** Imitate Jesus and Socrates."

How did it go with your lists...?

This week. . .

Rejecting the God of Grace?

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What if some people fall away from the faith?

It won't be possible to bring them back.

It is true that they have seen the light. They have tasted the heavenly gift. They have shared in the Holy Spirit. ⁵ They have tasted the good things of God's word. They have tasted the powers of the age to come.

⁶ But they have fallen away from the faith. So it won't be possible to bring them back.

They won't be able to turn away from their sins.

They are losing everything. That's because they are nailing the Son of God to the cross all over again. They are bringing shame on him in front of everyone.

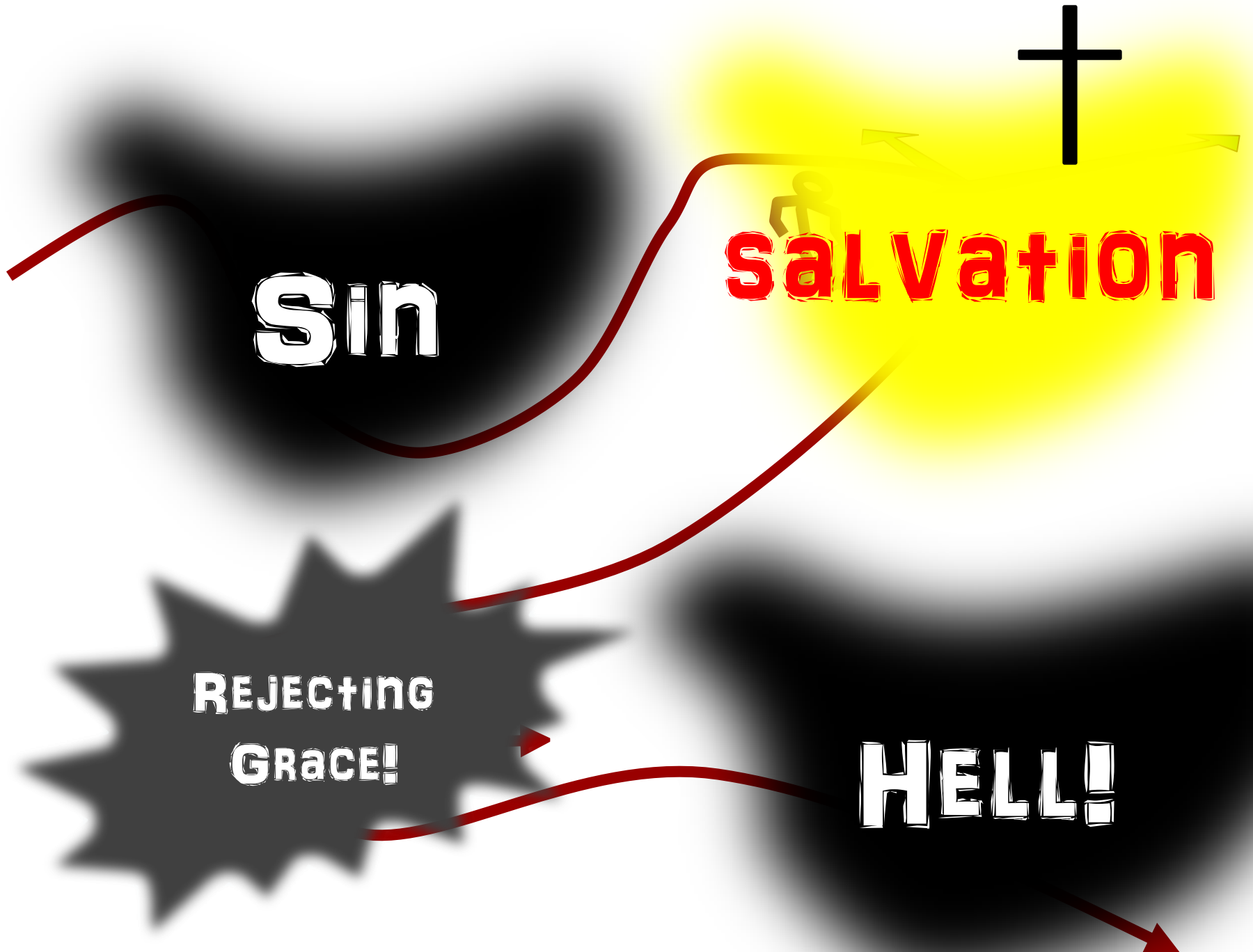
Sin

salvation



**REJECTING
GRACE!**

HELL!



How does this align with . . .

the thought that once someone becomes a 'real' Christian (not exactly sure of how we know this) they are "saved" and that they can't backslide or commit a sin which would rob them of eternal life.

We know we slip up and sin, then we can turn to God for forgiveness, but what about when we reject Holy Spirit and Jesus, and God, after experiencing God?

Paul says “It won't be possible to bring them back. “

Notice the word “bring”

Is it referring to ...

- a. Christians who were previously around them. . . .
- b. Us as Christians now
- c. Them (those who are rejecting God)

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ANS: could be a. and b. but not c.

Seems to suggest we will loose out if we spend effort trying to bring them back to God doesn't it?

What is the criteria for not attempting to bring them back?

Criteria seems to be. . .

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Matthew 12:31

So here is what I tell you. Every sin and every evil word spoken against God will be forgiven. **But speaking evil things against the Holy Spirit will not be forgiven!**

Deliberate
rejection of
JESUS

Why can't WE bring them back

They won't be able to turn away from their sins.
They are losing everything. **That's because they are
nailing the Son of God to the cross all over again.**
They are bringing shame on him in front of everyone.

They KNOW the truth!!!!

Who can save such a person

- What does this mean?
 - Acts 2:38 : Peter replied, "All of you must turn away from your sins and be baptized in the name of Jesus Christ. Then your sins will be forgiven. You will receive the gift of the Holy Spirit.
 - Romans 8:1 Those who belong to Christ Jesus are no longer under God's sentence. I am now controlled by the law of the Holy Spirit. That law gives me life because of what Christ Jesus has done. It has set me free from the law of sin that brings death.

We are responsible ourselves to
turn back to GOD asking
forgiveness
when we sin or reject him,
if we do,
we accept Holy Spirits leading
bring God into our lives and we
LIVE!

- Why do we have a Heaven and a Hell?

God cannot tolerate evil, and yet we as people have within us evil and good.

This means none of us is entitled to go into heaven where there is eternal peace, love , lack of pain and no evil.

Yet, God made a way! It cost him the life of his very essence, his son Jesus, who had to die as a human, horribly! He dies to cut away the evil from our lives. Provided we acknowledge this is what he did and accept his guidelines for our life. When we stand at that Judgement, Jesus steps in front of God and says he will pay for what we did!

If we accept Jesus, God gives us a chance. While alive we can do this but once dead, this option is closed. The contract is over. Judgement comes!

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God had to create a place for people who reject him.

These are people who do not accept God and so for eternity they have to go to a place without God. They cannot go to heaven! That would not be just!

Unfortunately, that place(called Hell or the Abyss) is also without God's attributes and love.

Here, in hell, the evil in man that we have seen on this earth is magnified! There is nothing to hold it back.

Together with Satan and the angels that rejected God, **all humans who choose to reject God live in this place for eternity.**

We can choose Jesus until the moment we die!

The only way we reject JESUS on this
Earth
is by ALSO rejecting Holy Spirit
and
God the Father at the same time!

THEY ARE A PACKAGE DEAL!

**So, the summary is this. . .
don't expect someone else to bring you to GOD or bring
you BACK to GOD,**

**This is something we do for ourselves and NO-ONE can
help!**

**We accept Jesus or reject him
??? Where are you ???**

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Pass a hat! Gathering of any monetary contributions for the community work

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- Person moving into the area needs help with household items and baby items/ wood? List from C.
- Finish the roof – 19 Nov

Activity	DATE	DAY
Rock Climbing Comp.	5 Nov	Sat
Buy stuff and pack shoeboxes	11 Nov	Fri
Stairs install / Stack wood/baby shower	12 Nov	Sat
Planning Food Drive	18 Nov	Fri
Finish roof	19 Nov	Sat
Wood at Cindy	26 Nov	Sat
	3 Dec	Sat
	10 Dec	Sat

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- Kathleen \$172 in purse
 - Missions \$172
- Shinara \$172+\$320=\$492
- Morry \$72 in purse
- Income this week \$320

TOTAL AVAILABLE =320+72+172=\$564

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