

### Today's Sermons

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Sunday Bible Study	30
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**That's the Man Who Died for Me**  
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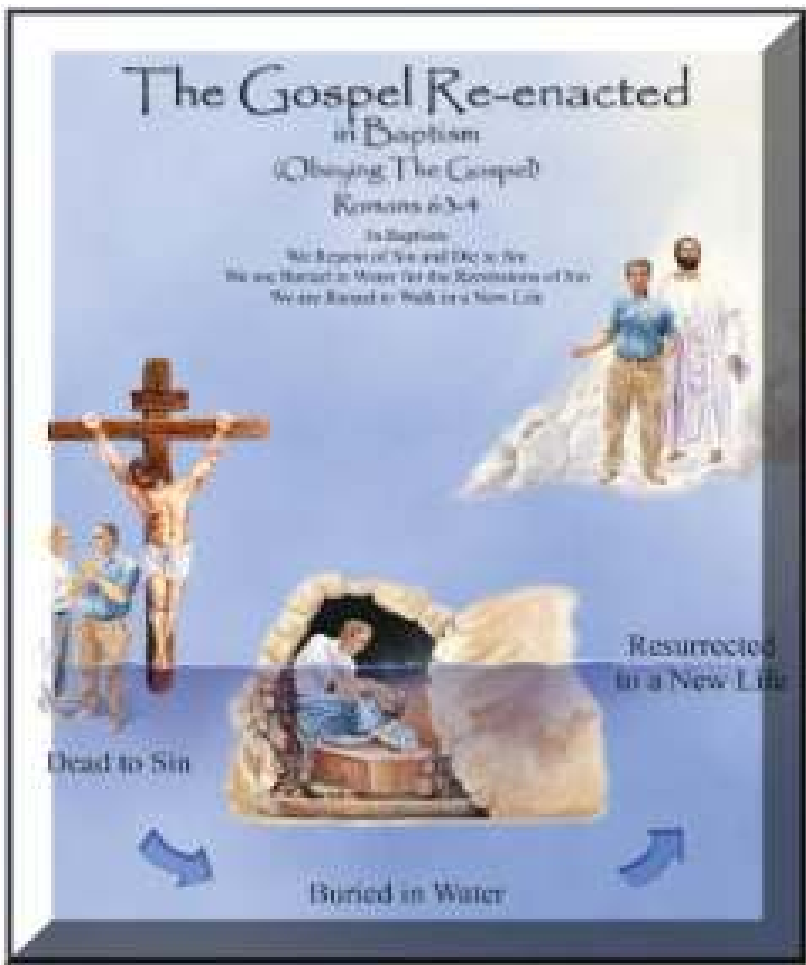
**Times of Services:**  
Sunday  
Bible Study:... 10:00am  
AM Worship:...11:00am  
PM Worship:...6:00pm

Wednesday  
Bible Study:.....7:00pm

Radio Program  
Sunday:.....7:30am  
"Back to the Bible"  
AM 580 WSKS  
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Let me tell you a true story about a young fireman. In the midst of a blaze he stepped forward and volunteered to go rescue a little baby, even though the chief had said that the flames were too strong and the building too unstable. As soon as that young fireman was able to get that little girl out the window and into the rescue net, the building collapsed, and he perished in the flames. Twenty years later, at a graveside with a statue of a fireman, stood a young woman sobbing. A man stopped and asked politely, "Was that your father or brother?" "No," she replied, "That's the man who died for me." Christ did something for humanity that no one else could do. While we struggle with the finality of death, we should be more concerned about the finality of everlasting life. Everyone is going somewhere. Christ has provided the way to live eternally with Him. In Jesus we have the yearning God in pursuit of people. In Christ we find that God is not content to let people live and die beyond His circle of love. Saul of Tarsus was overwhelmed in the Syrian Desert by the Savior whose religion he had set out to destroy. The story may be apocryphal, but when Karl Barth was asked what was the most profound theological truth he knew, he replied, "Jesus loves me, this I know."

**We Extend A  
Warm &  
Cordial  
Welcome  
To All Our  
Visitors!**



## DYING TO SELF

Author Unknown

When you are forgotten, or neglected, or purposely set at naught, and you don't sting or hurt with the insult or the oversight, but your heart is happy, being counted worthy to suffer for Christ, THAT IS DYING TO SELF.

When your good is evil spoken of, when your wishes are crossed, your advice disregarded, your opinions ridiculed, and you refuse to let anger rise in your heart, or even defend yourself, but take it all in patient, loving silence, THAT IS DYING TO SELF.

When you lovingly and patiently bear any disorder, any irregularity, any impunctuality, or any annoyance, when you stand face-to-face with waste, folly, extravagance, spiritual insensibility -- and endure it as Jesus endured, THAT IS DYING TO SELF.

When you never care to refer to yourself in conversation, or to record your own goods, or itch after commendations, when you can truly love to be unknown, THAT IS DYING TO SELF.

When you can see your brother prosper and have his needs met and can honestly rejoice with him in spirit and feel no envy, nor question God, while your own needs are far greater and in desperate circumstances, THAT IS DYING TO SELF.

When you can receive correction and reproof from one of less stature than yourself and can humbly submit inwardly as well as outwardly, finding no rebellion or resentment rising up within your heart, THAT IS DYING TO SELF.

*“I am crucified with Christ: nevertheless I live; yet not I, but Christ liveth in me: and the life which I now live in the flesh I live by the faith of the Son of God, who loved me, and gave himself for me” (Galatians 2:20).*

## Confronting God

David Bragg

The philosopher Kierkegaard said, “Life can only be understood backwards, but it must be lived forwards.” In the case of two particular men this approach appears instructive (Luke 16).

A rich man, no other identification is given, lived a life free from care and agitation up to the point of death. Suddenly he was thrust into a world of torment. Forced now to look back over his life, he found himself grappling with a multitude of questions for which he had neglected answers. Lazarus, a poor beggar, escaped the horrors of his poverty through death to enter a comfort beyond his dreams. Cradled in Abraham’s bosom he felt, perhaps for the first time, secure.

In the world beyond this life they began to understand what before was a mere concept. One was trapped, the other freed, all because of choices made long before.

Was life as difficult as Kierkegaard portrayed it? Not really. The rich man, in life, simply avoided the answers before him. Opportunities passed undisturbed. He took no time to pursue truth, only pleasure. His life was lived avoiding God. Lazarus apparently did the best he could with the nothing he had. Seeking God and finding truth, he was welcomed at death to this oasis on the edge of eternity.

Jesus proved Kierkegaard wrong. Life can be understood. Life must be understood. We must confront God, if not in this life then in the next.

## ANNOUNCEMENTS

- April 5 – Men’s Business Meeting & Ladies’ Bible Class
- April 12 – Preach & Eat
- April 26 – Worship @ Eula’s @ 2:00 pm.
- May 17-21 – Gospel Meeting w/ David B. Smith
- Please give support money for Chinese orphans to Minnie Kennell