



"This hope we have as an anchor of the soul, both sure and steadfast" - Hebrews 6:19

Welcome! We're glad you are here!

Sunday - April 30, 2023

The Only Types of People in the World

by Troy Spradlin

It is truly sad how people have such a terrible propensity for labeling and categorizing other people. It happens from grade school all the way up to international relations. We have the unfortunate tendency to separate ourselves into divisions like cliques, statuses, caste systems, genders, ages, regional locations, ethnicity, race, political affiliations, social issues, economics and many others. Sadly, so many of these partitionings of the human race result in widespread ill feelings, harrassment, discrimination, and violence. Yet, mankind continues to allow separations to dictate their perceived value of certain people, how they will interact with each other, and/or live their own lives.

Despite all those various divisions that we like to make, God does not see us in those ways, at all. He created us, and since He is the creator, it is He who decides what "type" of people there are in the world. If we simply look into His inspired word, the Bible, we learn that God has divided people into different groups, but His division has nothing to do with any of the ones that we like to make. His division has more to do with His will and that which is spiritual. He makes a separation based on our response to something that He has provided to all of mankind and it is something that we must do. Basically, we have a choice concerniong which "type" of person we'll be.



Only Two Types of People Mentioned in the Bible

The truth of the matter is, the Bible only mentions two types of people for everybody in the whole world: those who are **lost** and those who are **saved** (Luke 19:10) or, in other words, **those who will receive condemnation and those who will receive eternal life** (Matthew 25:46; John 3:16; Romans 6:23). There is absolutely no differentiation between races, ethnicities, affiliations, age, economics, or genders. Even though people during Bible times were making separations, the inspired writer pointed out, "There is neither Jew nor Greek, there is neither slave nor free, there is neither male nor female; for you are all one in Christ Jesus." (Galatians 3:28) And again in Colossians 3:11 he said, "there is neither Greek nor Jew, circumcised nor uncircumcised, barbarian, Scythian, slave nor free, but Christ is all and in all." So, all of the divisions we make are completely unmerited and unnecessary. We should (and must) see people how God sees people - by considering the status of their soul. Are they lost or saved? And if they are lost, we do not shun them, or separate ourselves from them, but we seek to help them become saved because God "desires all men to be saved and to come to the knowledge of the truth." (1 Timothy 2:4)

A Third Type of People Inferred

While the Scriptures only speak of two types of people - saved and lost - there is yet a third type that can be inferred from proper study. That "type" is the person who would be considered to be "safe." These would be those who have not learned to "discern between good and evil," as according to Hebrews 5:14. Small children and the mentally handicapped would fall into this category. Jesus Himself said, "Let the little children come to Me, and do not forbid them; for of such is the kingdom of God." (Luke 18:16) They are innocent of sin until they reach the age of becoming accountable before God. When they grow to understand the concepts of sin, repentance, and salvation, then they must respond to the Gospel. Now, the Bible does not actually use the words, "safe" to describe children or those without the capacity of discernemnt. Technically, people who are "safe" fall under the "saved" category. However, to be saved means to be rescued from condemnation of sin (Colossians 1:13-14). Children and those with cognitive disabilities do not need to be rescued, because they are yet with sin. Therefore, from what we learn directly from and are able to infer from the Scriptures, there are only three "types of people" in God's eyes and no other. There are those who are lost, there are those who are saved, and there are those who are safe. Which are you?

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YOUTH & FAMILY MINISTRY

2023 Camp Dates

Teen Week (6-12 grades):
June 11 - 16

Jr. Week (1-5 grades):
June 25 - 29

Early Bird Registration
Deadline: April 15



Jr. Week Volunteers

Any parent or adult wishing to attend Junior Week as a Counselor, or High School Student as a Junior Counselor, please See Casey to get your name on the list.

Junior Week is June 25 - 29.

There will be a preliminary staff meeting on April 30th @ the Spanish Fort church from 3 - 6 pm. Dinner will be provided.



YOUTH FUN DAY

May 6 @ Cannon's



SNAC SUNDAY NIGHT AFTER CHURCH

May 7 | Bird's

Graduation Banquet

Sunday, May 21st

Informational Meeting - April 26th

LEGACY AT FAULKNER UNIVERSITY

Sign up & pay by May 7th

JULY 20TH-23RD, 2023

"Beloved, let us love one another, for love is from God, and whoever loves has been born of God and knows God. Anyone who does not love does not know God, because God is love. In this the love of God was made manifest among us, that God sent his only Son into the world, so that we might live through him. In this is love, not that we have loved God but that he loved us and sent his Son to be the propitiation for our sins. Beloved, if God so loved us, we also ought to love one another. No one has ever seen God; if we love one another, God abides in us and his love is perfected in us. By this we know that we abide in him and he in us, because he has given us of his Spirit. And we have seen and testify that the Father has sent his Son to be the Savior of the world. Whoever confesses that Jesus is the Son of God, God abides in him, and he in God. So, we have come to know and to believe the love that God has for us. God is love, and whoever abides in love abides in God, and God abides in him. By this is love perfected with us, so that we may have confidence for the day of judgment, because as he is, so also are we in this world. There is no fear in love, but perfect love casts out fear. For fear has to do with punishment, and whoever fears has not been perfected in love. We love because he first loved us. If anyone says, "I love God," and hates his brother, he is a liar; for he who does not love his brother whom he has seen cannot love God whom he has not seen. And this commandment we have from him: whoever loves

God must also love his brother." - 1 John 4:7 - 21

CONGREGATIONAL PRAYER LIST

Special

- Patricia Ann* - prayers, health (MZL)
- Janice Carter* - tests, waiting on results
- Gifford family - loss of Jean
- Lauren Kreis* (Martin family) - prayers
- Linda Loftin* and family - loss of Jim*
- Eddie Longmire* - loss of brother, Sam
- Donald McGriff* - surgery/recovery
- Collin Mense - health (Pat Mense*)
- Greg Smith* family - loss of foster son
- Springer family - loss of Kayla
- Vonada family - loss of Troy*
- Jan Whitney* - heart procedure, recovery
- Andrea Wilson* - knee surgery, recovery
- Hatcher family* - loss of Rachel Sullins
- Troy Spradlin* - health scare / follow up

2023 Recently Baptized / Restored / Identified

- Brittany Parker* - Baptized
- Dawson Hitchcock - Baptized
- Olivia Gingerich - Baptized
- Lanie Scott* - Baptized
- Terry & Judy Jennings - Identified
- Josh & Stephanie Jennings - Identified
- Laura Oliver* - Identified

Mission Works

- Shanahans* - Mission Italy
- Eliezer Perez - San Lorenzo, Paraguay
- Trevor Smoot - Domestic Missions
- Sebastain Garcia - Brazil
- SRC Correctional Institute - Paul Discher

Students in College

- Seth Crider
- Stephen English
- Caitlyn Frizzell
- Jackson Lash
- Caleb Owens
- Nick Webb
- Reed Wilson
- Lexi Wildes

Other Requests / Health Issues

- Gerry Baldwin - health (J.Pace sister)
- Sharon Ates - recovery (Gallagher*)
- Bob Black - health (Lipford*)
- John & Gale Broadfoot - health
- Winston Burnham* - health
- Sherryn Canniff* - health, pain
- Sherry Davis* - health
- Fatima Deem - pregnant, problems (Nunes)
- Keturah Dickey - MS (K. Longmire*)
- Laura Elliot - (S. Lee* mom)
- Myrna Fuller* - pulmonary fibrosis
- Steve Fulton - pain, health difficulties
- Dixie Gorham
- Daphne Hamilton - surgeries, health
- Edwina Harris - health (J.Pace sister)
- Barbara Helms* - health
- Chris Hollis - (McGriff)
- Kenna Jackson - (Kristina P's* friend)
- Marcia Jones - (Kenya's* friend)
- Yvonne Loomis - prayers, health (Nunes*)
- Cindy Marotta - paralyzed (Nunes*)
- Vicente Martinez - kidney transplant
- Mary McGriff* - health, asthma
- Ron Miller - esophagus infection (Ina Ruth*)
- Jeffery Norman - transplant list (Nunes*)
- Patsy Prince - (Burnham*)
- Otis & Eleanor Pollit - (Gallagher*)
- Kara Ritchie - blood disorder (M.Scott*)
- Glenn Rose - heart problems (Garcia*)
- August Smith - cleft palate (J.English*)
- Zyler Thompson - rescheduled surgery
- Julia Torpey* - health
- Jan Whitney*

Military

- Nick Bartell - Ft. Walton Beach
- John Bartell - Washington, DC
- Spencer England - Japan
- Spencer Gable - New London, Groton, CT
- Amya Huey* - Italy
- Ni Mack - Kentucky

Cancer

- Kandi Armand - (Bostwick*)
- Justin Barnhart - former member
- Ron Bartanen* - cancer
- Darlene Baxley* - spread to her spine (Baxley*)
- Misty Bray* - (Bird*)
- Mark Carlson - (C.Davis*)
- Tish Clark - surgery (Hatcher*)
- Pat Deforest*
- Brenda Dunham - (J.English*)
- Eddie English - (R.English*)
- Timothy Ezzell - former member
- Chris Hendrix - (Baxley*)
- Ricky Jenning - (McGriff*)
- Lisa (Dixon) Johnson - (McGriff*)
- Tierney Lancaster - rare blood (Baxley*)
- Marie and Jeff Lorentz - (J. Bartell*)
- Peter Machon - (Torpey*)
- Darrel Mason - (D.Hill*)
- Keith Pabst - (Webb*)
- Karen Parker - (Spradlin* friend)
- Karen Pollit - (Gallagher*)
- Megan Sanders - brain cancer (Blisse*)
- Kevin Shanahan - operation (Scott's* dad)
- Al Sherdan - bladder/prostatic cancer (Coen)
- Brooks Ann Singley* - good news!
- Mary Lee Smith - (McGriff*)
- Marlene Smith - (Fulton*)
- Donnie Turner - cancer (Helms*)
- Reynold Voeltz - (Boughton's friend)
- David Walther - brain (English*)
- Kellie (Wiggins) Ward - (former mem.)
- Daisy Jean Williams - (J.Pace)

Assisted Living / Shut-Ins / Rehab

- Sherryn Canniff - homebound
- Josie Coons - hospice (McReynolds*)
- Donna Dudley - Life Care Center (S. Davis*)
- Annie Favorite - Haven (Mary Lou's mom)
- Bobbie Garcia* - Arcadia Senior Living
- Betty Lee - homebound (D. Lee's mom*)
- Linda Mann* - Shut In
- Ina Ruth Miller* - Grandview Retire Center
- Ruth Phillips* - Shut In
- Jim Pitts - Daphne, AL
- Lillian Raines* - Victorian Manor
- Mary Salinas* - Victorian Manor
- Faye Smith (Jeanna's mom) - Shut In

CONGREGATIONAL PLANNING MEETING

Sunday, May 7 @ 5:00 PM | Rm 303
All are welcome to attend!



Elders & Deacons Ministry Meeting

May 21st - 4:30 PM



SERVING WITH HONOR

SUNDAY, APRIL 30

MORNING

Opening Prayer Doug Lee
 Song Director Troy Spradlin
 Sermon Casey Bearden
 "Building Godly Homes"
 Scripture Reading Rhett English
 Psalm 127:1-5
 Closing Prayer Rick Bird

Serving Communion (L R):

Brody Crider Luke McReynolds
 Gabriel Lee Dakota Boughton
 Trevor Bostwick (Balcony)
 Comments Jared Lee

EVENING

Opening Prayer N/A
 Singing N/A
 Scripture N/A
 N/A
 Comments N/A

Worship Service and Preparation:

Communion Prep Fisher family
 PowerPoint Matt McReynolds
 Greeters: John Pace
 Secure Building John Pace

WEDNESDAY EVENING

Song Director Mike Scott
 Opening Prayer Pat Mense

WEEKLY ATTENDANCE REPORT:

Sunday Bible Class 169
 AM Worship 200
 PM Worship 107
 Wed. Night Bible Class 145
 Contribution \$9,793

TIMES OF SERVICES:

Sunday AM Bible Class 9:00 am
 Sunday AM Worship 10:00 am
 Sunday PM Classes, Worship ... 6:00 pm
 Wednesday PM Bible Class 6:30 pm

Visitors:

Thank you for coming!

You are our honored guest!

For more information about the church, spiritual topics, our classes, and activities, there is a tract rack at the entrance of the auditorium for your convenience.

Or, ask any member for assistance.

Please take a moment to fill out a visitors card, or sign our guest book so that we might have a record of your attendance. Thank you!

MINISTRY ANNOUNCEMENTS

ADMINISTRATION

- Deadline for all bulletin items is Thursday, by noon.



Margaret Street CHURCH OF CHRIST

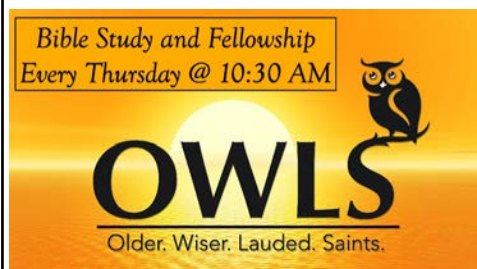
FOOD PANTRY

Food Pickup : 5/9 @ 9:30 AM
 Preparing Boxes: 5/11 @ 9:30 AM
 Distribution : 5/11 @ 2:30 PM

Please consider donating travel size toiletries!!

EDUCATION

- Adult and Children Bible classes available on Sundays @ 9 AM and Wednesdays @ 6:30 PM.
- Willing to teach? See Chris Davis!



Bible Study and Fellowship
 Every Thursday @ 10:30 AM

OWLS

Older. Wiser. Lauded. Saints.

WORSHIP

- Service Rosters are available on the Welcome Desk and Margaret Street website (listed under "Archives")
- "LISTEN" devices available in the foyer, located in the Armoire.

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