

How Many Times Do I Have To Tell You? (cont)

The New Testament speaks often about the resurrection of Jesus. But I'm afraid that no matter how many times it is plainly taught, many people will remain ignorant and confused about it. Somehow the significance of the resurrection doesn't get from the ears to the brain to the heart. So, even though the story of the resurrection is told in countless homes and churches around the globe, the behavior of the hearers rarely is affected all that much.

The resurrection of Jesus gives us hope: hope for the forgiveness of sins (*1 Cor. 15:17; 1 Peter 1:3, 3:21*), and hope for eternal life (*1 Cor. 15:19; Romans 8:11*). But it is also intended to change our lives as we are raised from baptism to walk in newness of life (*Romans 6:4*). Because we have been raised with Christ, we are expected to live differently from the rest of the world. Paul wrote in *Colossians 3:1-4*:

“Since, then, you have been raised with Christ, set your hearts on things above, where Christ is seated at the right hand of God. Set your minds on things above, not on earthly things. For you died, and your life is now hidden with Christ in God. When Christ, who is your life, appears, then you will also appear with him in glory.”

He then proceeds to be specific about the changes that need to occur in the life of those who have been “*raised with Christ*.” Christians need to get rid of anger, rage, malice, slander and filthy language (*Col. 3:8*), and they need to add things like compassion, kindness, humility, gentleness and patience (*Col 3:12*). But my point is that the resurrection should not only give us hope, it should change our lives.

But for that to happen, at some point the words must get past our ears to our brains to our heart. How many times will you need to hear this for to change your life?

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SPIRITUAL FOOD SOURCES

TV Programs

“In Search of the Lord’s Way” with Phil Sanders at 7:00 a.m. Sundays
“Good News Today” at 7:30 a.m. Sundays - WDKA-TV 49, MyNetwork
“A Bible Answer” at 8:00 a.m. Sundays – WQQW-CW
“Have a Bible Question” at 8:00 a.m. Sundays – WDKA-TV 49, MyNetwork

Internet

Capechurchofchrist.org (<https://www.facebook.com/CapeChurchofChrist/>)
Sundays at 10:00 a.m., Sundays at 5:00 p.m. and Wednesdays at 7:00 p.m.

From Harding University: Collegechurchofchrist.org
(<https://www.facebook.com/CollegeChurchofChrist/>) Sundays at 8 a.m.

DAY HIKE:

All the young and young at heart are invited to a day hike to Panther Den Wilderness in southern Illinois on Saturday, March 27th. We will meet at the building at 9 a.m. and convoy from there. From the trail head to Panther Den is a 3/4-mile moderate hike. Bring snacks and drinks for lunch. April 3rd will be the backup date. Please sign up if you are interested in going. The sign-up sheet is on the bulletin board at the back of the auditorium.

BOOTHEEL YOUTH CAMP

Camp sessions are planned! If your child is interested in attending, there are registration forms available (if none are left on the bulletin board, see Karen for a copy). The Pee Wee weekend, grades K-2, will be June 4-6. The regular week-long sessions are June 13-18, June 20-25, July 11-16, and July 18-23. Financial assistance is available if needed. Check out more information on what is posted on the bulletin board.

UPCOMING EVENTS:

- March 27 – Work day at BYC
- April 19 - Children’s Home Pick-up. We need Chocolate Chips, Instant Potatoes, Canned Mushrooms, Powdered Sugar, Snack Crackers and Rotel.
- July 16-17 – Worship Leaders Conference, Abilene, TX
- July 18-23 – Texas Normal Singing School, Abilene TX
- August 28 – Fish Fry at BYC

Upcoming Birthdays and Anniversaries in March	
Mar. 14 – Sam Jarrell	Mar. 30 – Ilene Evans
Mar. 19 – Brock O’Neal	Mar. 30 – Joyce Blechle
Mar. 27 – Sam & Jan Jarrell anniv.	Mar. 31 – Dennis Catlow
	Mar. 31 – Lynn O’Neal

SPECIAL PRAYER REQUESTS

<u>OUR MEMBERS</u>	<u>FAMILY & FRIENDS</u>	<u>WEEKLY REPORT</u>
Jennis Benefield	Betty Allen (hospice)	Sunday a.m. Worship: 56
Helen Coburn	Donna Barnes (cancer)	Contributions: \$9,735.00
Joan England (Life Care Ctr)	Tom & Mary Bollman	Budget: \$3,059.12
David Mattingly (rm 308 Life Care Ctr)	Michele Campbell (back)	Family First: \$0
Mark McAllister (glioblastoma)	Angie Northern Fabing	
Pat Smart (stroke/fall)	Scott Hartline	
Betty Tanner (shut-in)	Karen Hubbs (brain cancer)	Please remember to leave
Richard & Jane Volkerding (shut-in)	Chris Hutson	your contribution in the tray
	Suzanne Meert (cancer)	on the table at the back of the
	Kevin Plemons (brain tumor)	auditorium.
	Barry Tate (stroke)	
	Scott Taylor (cancer)	
	Donna Thieman (cancer)	
	Tony Wells	

How Many Times Do I Have To Tell You?

“How many times do I have to tell you?! How many times?” I guess every parent has said this at some time or another, in part because every parent had heard it from their parents. Parents tell their children over and over to pick up their clothes or to shut the door or to put their dishes in the sink. Yet, for some reason their words just don’t seem to make it from the kids’ ears to their brains to their heart. As a result, their behavior isn’t changed.

So, we shouldn’t be surprised when we read that the women and disciples, upon reaching Jesus’ tomb, were shocked to find it empty (**Luke 24:1-12**). They wept and wondered at what had happened to the body of Jesus, but they didn’t remember that He had told them plainly and repeatedly that after three days He would rise again (**Mark 8:31-32, 9:30-32, 10:32-34**). Perhaps Jesus felt like saying, “How many times do I have to tell you?!” And, even after an angel told them that He had risen, they still were afraid and bewildered (**Mark 16:8**).

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