

# THE LAST WORD

Well, here we go again! It can hardly be that August is over and we are ready to start with September. The month of August went by so fast that I was caught off guard and didn't get my part done for the news letter! I'm betting those who go to school and those who teach they were not ready for the summer break to end either!

We have had a really good summer with all our outreaches going well, VBS coming off without a hitch and many souls saved for the kingdom and the glory of God! For the most part we had no drama for which your preacher is most thankful! It goes to show what folks can do when they make up their minds to serve the Lord.

Fall can be a glorious time of the year for many people and for varying reasons. For some it is the turning of the leaves and the coming fall festivals that make it any exciting season. For those of us who like to hunt it is also the time when we know hunting season is upon us and we get to spend quality time outdoors.

The Bible also has some things to say about the fall season. Jeremiah 8:20 says, "The harvest is past, the summer is ended, and we are not saved." It is actually a lament more than a statement. I think it speaks of how that opportunity more than amply has been given and yet the people did not take advantage of it and the supernatural intervention they had longed for did not come.

Fall is the time of the last festival of the Lord called the Feast of Tabernacles or Ingathering. One can see how that they might have greatly anticipated the coming of our Lord during these times. In the above mentioned passage, they city of Jerusalem was under grave siege, famine and drought were taking their toll and the situation seemed worse than hopeless.

The people always thought they could fall back on God's divine intervention coming at the last moment to save them. The summer had come and now the harvest time or fall had passed and they were not rescued. How awful this must have felt to them.

I have great news for you today, my friends! We are not waiting for Divine intervention. We are looking for the miraculous glorious appearing of our Lord and Savior, Jesus the Messiah! He is coming again! Are you saved?

That's the Last Word and I'm sticking to it.

*Bro. Rusty*

September 2011



At our church we love God. Make no mistake about that. At our church we believe in Gods radical, unconditional, and unwavering love for us. At our church we believe that Jesus is God. We also affirm that you may or may not believe that Jesus is God. We're not asking you to change your belief system before you attend our church. We are simply inviting you on a journey toward Jesus. For years, churches have placed a high priority on Jesus as the get out of hell free card. At our church we place the highest priority on Jesus as a live life to the fullest invitation. At our church, we believe every person has a dream deep inside their hearts, and that God put that dream there, not for our glory but for His. At our church we are not concerned for were you have been but were you are going. At our church we believe that the bible is Gods word it is real it is living it is active. We believe that people that don't go to church anywhere are not the enemy. They are real people who need the perfect love that only God can give. And we believe God gives this love through of all people us. At our church we do not and will not display a holier than thou attitude toward anyone. We are all broken people but He is putting us back together. And finally and most importantly at our church we believe that Jesus really live, really died, and really rose again for us on the third day and we will not candy coat or water down that message ever.

**Welcome to our church**

## My Cheating Heart...

I just heard that a childhood friend had caught his wife cheating on him. When confronted and told that she would have to choose between her husband or the other man, her answer was, "I can't because he's my best friend." Unbelievable! How could she? How dare she? I hope he kicked her to the curb! These are all thoughts that were running through my mind as I was being told this news. I kept thinking of him and his children and how hurt they must be by her choice. How selfish to not be willing to give up one thing, especially when that one thing is so detrimental to the well-being of your family. How could adultery become so common in our society that even "Christians" are shrugging it off? Just a multitude of self-righteous thoughts going over and over in my mind. Then it hit me!!! I'm unfaithful! I cheat! I want to have my cake and eat it too! No, I am not having an affair with another man. My problems lay elsewhere. I like to watch T.V. There have been days my television has been turned on before I've opened my Bible to have a Bible study. I like to play on my computer. I can lose track of time and before I know it, I need to get to bed, and then I rush through my prayer so I can get to sleep. This is where I am like the unfaithful wife. We have so many distractions in our society today and we allow these to dominate our time. I say allow because it is a choice. We choose to spend the extra time doing the busy work, which keeps us from having time to devote to Gods' work. It sounds like we're doing this wrong doesn't it? I think of the warning that Paul wrote to Timothy,

2Ti 3:2 For people will be lovers of self, lovers of money, proud, arrogant, abusive, disobedient to their parents, ungrateful, unholy,

I know many good people that have allowed the world to interfere with their relationship with God, and let's face it, being a good person is not synonymous with being a good Christian. Our God is a jealous God, as we are told quite clearly multiple times. **Exo 20:5** You shall not bow down to them or serve them, for I the LORD your God am a jealous God **Exo 34:14** (for you shall worship no other god, for the LORD, whose name is Jealous, is a jealous God) **Deu 4:24** For the LORD your God is a consuming fire, a jealous God

Just as my friend does not intend to share the affections of his wife with another man, neither does God intend for us, the very people He created, to share our affections, our attention, or our time with worldly desires that distract us from our relationship with Him. If my friends' marriage is going to survive and thrive, then a choice is going to have to be made. Priorities are going to have to be adjusted. Commitments will have to be reset. None of this will be easy. It won't happen overnight, but it will start the same way the affair did, with one decision. Hopefully, it will be the one that leads to healing a broken relationship.

## Holy Humor

A Rabbi parked his car in a no-parking zone in a large city because he was short of time and couldn't find a space with a meter.

Then he put a note under the windshield wiper that read: "I have circled the block 10 times. If I don't park here, I'll miss my appointment. Forgive us our trespasses."

When he returned, he found a citation from a police officer along with this note "I've circled this block for 10 years. If I don't give you a ticket I'll lose my job. Lead us not into temptation."



Righteousness and justice are the foundation of your throne; love and faithfulness go before you. - PSALM 89:14 NIV

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