

TODAY'S MESSAGES	
SUNDAY MORNING	SUNDAY EVENING
Are you a servant of God or Man? Mark 10:42-43	CANCELLED



**DEVOTION:** *And all the people grumbled against Moses and Aaron. The whole congregation said to them, "Would that we had died in the land of Egypt! Why is the LORD bringing us into this land, to fall by the sword? Our wives and our little ones will become a prey. Would it not be better for us to go back to Egypt?" And they said to one another, "Let us choose a leader and go back to Egypt."* ~Numbers 14:2-4 ESV

**WHO IS ON THE LORD’S SIDE**

**WHO IS ON THE LORD’S SIDE?:** We're living in difficult times. Enemies that were fought and defeated long ago are rising once again. Demons and dark powers and legions of evil forces are working their way into our communities, our schools, and our families. And some of us are going over to the dark side. Some are rebelling against godly leaders who are fighting for truth and righteousness and calling for a return to Egypt. Some of these soldiers still bear the scars of battles fought long ago, but have decided they no longer want to fight against the devil. They are calling for change. They have abandoned the One who redeemed them to serve the wicked one.

In some places the defections are large. The grumbling and the complaints that began among a few have swelled into a mighty chorus. The call for change is drowning out the cry for the old paths. Unhappy and discontented, this cry for change is becoming violent in some places.

Thank God there are still heroes among us like Moses and Aaron who fall on their faces before the assembly. There are godly leaders who are not swayed by popular opinion but stand firmly on the Lord's side. Thank God there are still brave souls like Joshua and Caleb who stand with these godly leaders. Unafraid of those who are in opposition they cry out, "Do not rebel against the LORD!" But the people are picking up stones. Indeed, these are difficult times. My brothers and sisters, will you stand with Moses? Will you stand on the Lord's side? –David Maxson

**MEMORY VERSE:** [Jesus said] *"He who is not with Me is against Me, and he who does not gather with Me scatters abroad."* ~Matthew 12:30 NKJV

**QUOTE:** *"... then Moses stood in the entrance of the camp, and said, "Whoever is on the LORD'S side--come to me." And all the sons of Levi gathered themselves together to him."* ~Exodus 32:26 NKJV

**PRAY WITH US:** Father, grant us wisdom and courage for these days! In Jesus' name, I pray for this grace. Amen.

–By Bro Roy Beaty

*For the Shepherds,  
Brother Ben*



**ELDERS**

DeWayne Calloway  
Paul Noel  
Sam Roberts

**MINISTER**

**DEACON**

Batthias Matthews

**YOUTH MINISTER**

Charles Gaston

**SCHEDULE OF SERVICES**

**Sunday**  
10:00 a.m. Morning Worship  
11:45 a.m. Bible Class  
5:00 p.m. Evening Worship

**Wednesday**  
7:00 p.m. Bible Class

**Friday**  
10:00 a.m. Seasoned Saints' Bible Class (Suspended)

*Visitors' Day & Fellowship  
Every Last Sunday of the Month*

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**What It Means To Be A Servant**

We live in a culture in which most people are seeking their own interests first, and if they have time, or if it ultimately helps themselves, they might consider helping someone else. By nature, we are selfish creatures. We desire praise and honor. We want to be first. We enjoy being served.

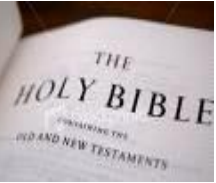
The problem is that this is the opposite of whom Jesus was and who we are to be. Jesus had to correct his disciples when they were guilty of the same selfish ambition (Mark 10:35-45). In that passage, he tells them a principle that we see in so many places in Scripture: we are to be servants. He gave himself as the example to follow when he said, *"For even the Son of Man did not come to be served, but to serve, and to give his life a ransom for many"* (vs. 45). So what does it mean to be a servant? How do we follow Christ's example and become a servant?

**First, we must develop the attitude of a servant.** This is perhaps the greatest barrier of all to being a servant. As stated before, we are naturally selfish beings. Plus, we live in a culture that is permeated with the message, "Serve me!" To develop the attitude of a servant, it takes a determined desire to consider others first. The underlying motivation for being a servant is love. That's why Jesus was willing to give up his position of honor and glory in heaven and come in the form of a servant.

**Secondly, know what you need to do to serve.** A servant can only serve when he knows what he needs to do. Some servants wait until they're told what to do, and if they aren't given any specific instructions will fill their time with their own desires. But good servants, those who truly enjoy serving and want to serve, will not wait until they're told what to do. They'll look for a task that needs doing and do it. In order to be this kind of servant, you must get involved.

**Thirdly, serve!** It's not enough to know what to do to be a servant; we must actually serve! Sometimes, this comes down to the first point of having the attitude of a servant. We may know what we need to do, but we don't want to because of selfish reasons. Other times, we end up making excuses, allowing other things to get in the way of serving. How many times have we have felt badly knowing that we could have and should have served in some way but procrastinated or got busy with our own activities and therefore missed the opportunity to serve?

We need to constantly remind ourselves that this life is not about us. It's not about our own pleasures. It's not about work. It's not about school. It's not about what we may find important to us. It's about God, and it's about others. Having the attitude of a servant will totally change the way we view every relationship in our life. It will change the way we view our church family and the reason we belong to a local church. Instead of focusing on what we get out of our relationships or out of the worship service, we need to focus on what we're putting into it. We need to focus on helping others. We need to focus on giving God the honor and praise he is due and on exhorting our brothers and sisters. We need to follow the example of Jesus and serve. Who can you serve today?



Bro DeWayne

## ORDER OF WORSHIP

Call To Worship  
**Sam Roberts**

Song Leader  
**Ronnie Green**

Scripture Reading  
**Benjamin Calloway**

Prayer  
**Westley Shaw**

Sermon  
**DeWayne Calloway**

Communion/Offering  
**Batthias Matthews**

Announcements  
**Sam Roberts**

Closing Prayer  
**Richard Noel**

Ushers  
**Ivan Booker**  
**Benjamin Calloway**  
**Darren Hyson**  
**Wayne Roberts**

# Welcome Visitors!

Welcome to the Church of Christ at Wheless Lane. We are honored you chose to worship with us. As members of the church of Christ our goal is to *teach* and practice New Testament doctrine. We invite you to observe our services and evaluate the doctrine. We would love to be your church-on-the-road or your new congregation if you are relocating to the Austin area.



## REQUEST FOR PRAYERS

**Shirley Baker**—Prayers for my family in the loss of my brother, Calvin.  
**JoAnn McClellan**—Continued prayers for strength.  
**Carol Ware**—Traveling grace to Houston. Also for Ted Ware and Charles Malone.

## PLAN OF SALVATION


**Faith** – which results from hearing the Word of God (Romans 10:17). Faith is essential to salvation (Mark 16:16; John 8:24; 20:30-31; Hebrews 11:6).

**Repentance** – a change of mind which causes one to turn away from sinful practices. It is commanded for everyone (Acts 2:38; 3:19; 17:30).

**Confession** – confession is an outward confession of faith in Jesus as the Son of God (Matthew 10:32; Romans 10:9-10). All who deny Christ has no part of him.

**Baptism** – a "command" of Christ, "you must be born again." It is an act which is essential to salvation (Mat 28:19; Mark 16:16; Acts 2:38; 22:16).

## “Touching Lives ” —Matthew 28:18-20

- **SUNDAY MORNING WORSHIP SERVICES** will be livestreamed via Facebook and YouTube until further Notice.
  - **Level 3 and 4 Youth Study Every Sunday via Zoom at 11:15 am**  
—Wednesday Night Bible Class via Zoom at 7:00pm
  - Level 5 and 6 Youth Study Every Friday at 6:00 pm
  - Level 6 and Young Adults
- All lessons available on Wheless Lane website under the MEMBERS SECTION 
- **Men's Tailgate Fellowship**  
December 12, 2020 at 8:30 am  
At Wheless Lane Parking Lot
  - **ATTENTION SISTERS LADIES BIBLE STUDY**  
December 15, 2020  
at 7:00 pm Via Zoom

- **FREE Weekly Bible Correspondence Course**  
—A lesson will be mailed each week including a stamped envelope to mail lesson back. It will be graded, and the next lesson will be mailed.  
—email **Sis Vergie Sharp** at **vergiasharp@att.net** for more details

## WHELESS EDUCATION TEACHER ROTATION for November 2020

### LEVEL 1 (Nursery—Age 2)

Sunday: Vicki Russell  
Wednesday: Vicki Russell

### LEVEL 2 (Ages 3—5)

Sunday: Kaylin & Kayrin Monroe  
Wednesday: Kaylin & Kayrin Monroe

### LEVEL 3 (1st—2nd Grade)

Sunday: Tasha Clifton  
Wednesday: Tasha Clifton

### LEVEL 4 (3rd—5th Grade)

Sunday: Batthias Matthews  
Wednesday: Batthias Matthews

### LEVEL 5 (6th—8th Grade)

Sunday: Charles Gaston  
Wednesday: Charles Gaston

### LEVEL 6 (9th—12th Grade)

Sunday: DeWayne Calloway  
Wednesday: DeWayne Calloway

### TRANSITIONS CLASS (Ages 18-23)

Sunday: Westley Shaw  
Wednesday: Westley Shaw

### PRINCIPLES CLASS

Sunday: Paul Noel

### ADULTS BIBLE CLASS

Sunday: Sam Roberts  
Wednesday: DeWayne Calloway

### SICK & SHUT IN

Gertie Ward  
Angie Barber

### FOR THE IMPRISONED

Bro. Bryant Johnson

### STATISTICS

#### ATTENDANCE

Morning  
Evening  
Wednesday

Visitors

#### RESPONSES

Baptisms (Cum) 0  
Placed Membership 2

#### CONTRIBUTION

Weekly