

Welcome to the church of Christ at Alisal



Sermons for the Lord's Day

The book of Philippians
The Heavenly Perspective (Part 2)



Announcements Alisal Weekly

1. **Romans Class This Wednesday at 6:30 pm** - Chapter 13 #4
2. **Wednesday Invitation** - Paul
3. **Today-** Class, Worship, Men's Business meeting, Potluck and Fellowship - please join us for the morning.

Prayer List

1. **Rosemarie Johnson** - for healing and comfort from her neck and back pain.
2. **Don Blackwell** - for continued healing and preaching the Word.
3. **Norma Decker** - for better health and determination to be with us.
4. **Beverly Pereira** - for improved health as well as a stronger desire to attend
5. **Loyd Barry** - for finding other Christians to worship with in Elko, Nevada
6. **Bobby Glover** - for peace and wisdom in his difficult situation.
7. **David and Patty Kirby** - for peace and comfort in their life.
8. **Path Star** - for total healing of her hip replacement and less pain.

We are praying for you!

TRUE LIBERATION

Raymond Elliott

We hear a great deal today about being liberated from various things such as moral standards, authorities and various relationships. People are desirous of freedom, for better or worse. Wars have been fought to free people from tyranny, slavery and oppression. Movements are begun to seek release from anything and everything that might restrain people too much. Even among religious circles, there are organizations and individuals that seek to rid themselves of any absolute and objective authority such as the Bible. We are also aware of movements among the worldly minded people to reject any and all set rules of moral and ethical standards. Thus, you have the philosophies as 'Situation Ethics', 'Existentialism' and 'The New Morality' to illustrate the point.

But, we speak presently of true liberation and the true 'Liberator', Jesus Christ, who came to liberate (to set free, release) men and women from that terrible 'master' (Satan) and bondage (sin). The world has never known freedom, happiness and peace of mind as can be had and enjoyed in the Lord Jesus Christ. Mankind has sought freedom in earthly pleasures, doctrines of men and worldly wisdom; however, their seeking has been in vain. The Master Teacher and Freedom Fighter exclaimed to a group of Jews on one occasion that, "If you abide in My word, you are My disciples indeed. And you shall know the truth, and the truth shall make you free." (John 8:31, 32). Thus, the agency of release from the fetters of sin, sorrow, doubt, captivity and death is the truth, the word of God. Jesus also stated "Therefore if the Son makes you free, you shall be free indeed" (John 8:36).

Paul wrote in Romans 6:17, 18: "But God be thanked that though you were slaves of sin, yet you obeyed from the heart that form of doctrine to which you were delivered. And having been set free from sin, you became slaves of righteousness." That form the Romans obeyed was the likeness of the death, burial and resurrection of Christ, which are the basis of the gospel of our Lord (I Corinthians 15:1-3). They had died to sin in true repentance, buried with the Lord in baptism and had been raised to "walk in newness of life" (Romans 6:1-6). This is the same manner in which people today can be set free from sin. The apostle Paul also wrote of being made free from the law of sin and death through Jesus Christ (Romans 8:1, 2). Furthermore, in Galatians 5:1, Paul said "For freedom did Christ set us free..." (KJV). Whether we speak of being free from the Law of Moses or from sin, the principle is the same. The truly liberated persons in this world are those individuals who have willingly surrendered their lives to Jesus Christ and have become servants of righteousness.

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Blessed is the nation whose God is the Lord; and the people whom he hath chosen for his own inheritance.

Psalm 33:12

Jesus Christ the same yesterday, and to day, and for ever.

Hebrews 13:8

Salt and Light by Jonny Hawkins



“We’re out of dog treats. Ok to use a communion wafer?”

O land, land, land, hear the word of the LORD. — Jeremiah 22:29

Thought

What is absolutely essential for your country and your people to experience revival? First, the Spirit or God must move in a mighty way. Second, the people must open their hearts to hear and respond to the Word of the Lord. So let’s commit to pray together, all over the world, that our people will open their hearts to the Spirit and the Word of God!



The only thing missing is you!

Meeting Days and Times

Sunday 9:00 am Class - 10:00 Worship

Wednesday Bible Class, singing & prayer - 6:30 pm

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