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—Think On These Things—



The old hymn “Trust and Obey” truly captures the essence of the Christian life: *When we walk with the Lord In the light of His Word, what a glory He sheds on our way! While we do His good will, He abides with us still and with all who will trust and obey. — Trust and obey, for there’s no other way to be happy in Jesus, but to trust and obey.* True faith in Christ will progressively lead to greater heights of obedience. Some would call this view a kind-of “legalism”—or a “works-based righteousness”. But, does not the Bible teach that real faith inevitably produces a changed life? Does salvation produce a transformation of the inner person or does it not? Is not obedience the evidence that one’s faith is real (1John 3:2)?

The following excerpt is by J. Gresham Machen in his book, *What is Faith?*

*“Faith is the acceptance of a gift at the hands of Christ...It is a very wonderful thing; it involves a change of the whole nature of man; it involves a new hatred of sin and a new hunger and thirst after righteousness. Such a wonderful change is not the work of man; faith itself is given us by the Spirit of God. Christians never make themselves Christians; but they are made Christians by God.*

*...It is quite inconceivable that a man should be given this faith in Christ, that he should accept this gift which Christ offers, and still go on contentedly in sin. For the very thing which Christ offers us is salvation from sin—not only salvation from the guilt of sin, but also salvation from the power of sin. The very first thing that the Christian does, therefore, is to begin to keep the law of God: he keeps it no longer as a way of earning his salvation—for salvation has been given him freely by God—but he keeps it joyously as a central part of salvation itself. The faith of which Paul speaks is, as Paul himself says, a faith that works through love; and love is the fulfilling of the whole law...The faith that Paul means when he speaks of justification by faith alone is a faith that works.”*

I know that I’m not all that I should be in Christ; but praise Him that I’m not what I used to be—or what I’m going to be! --djg



# HERITAGE BIBLE CHURCH

February 8, 2026



O our God, will You not judge them? For we have no power against this great multitude that is coming against us; nor do we know what to do, but our eyes are upon You.”  
2 Chronicles 20:12. NKJV

**Feb Birthdays:** 15 Joan 21 Diane M 26 Aaliyah

Feb. Memory Challenge: [James 1:2-4](#) My brethren, count it all joy when you fall into various trials, knowing that the testing of your faith produces patience. But let patience have its perfect work, that you may be perfect and complete, lacking nothing. (NKJV) Take a card from the back table to help you memorize God’s Word

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# Heritage Bible Church

*Let us worship the Lord Jesus Christ!*

Welcome and Prayer

Prelude/Preparation – Psalm 95:1-7

**Lord, I Lift Your Name on High** – hymnal #107

**Crown Him With Many Crowns** – hymnal #45

**We Fall Down** – hymnal #106

Confession/Prayer

**I Love You Lord** – hymnal #78

**How Deep The Father's Love For Us**

Sermon

**In Christ Alone**

We're glad you have joined us today. If you don't have a regular church family, we welcome you to join us each week as we gather to worship God and learn from the Bible.

**We urge you to think about a most important question:** When you die, if God were to ask you, "Why should I let you into My heaven?", how would you answer? You may think, "Oh, I'm good enough to enter heaven". The problem is, according to Jesus, "good" people will not enter heaven. ONLY perfect people enter heaven. "But", you may say, "that's impossible!" You are correct, it is impossible to be perfect in God's sight unless you admit to God you are a sinner (repent) and put your full faith/trust/belief only in the payment Jesus made for your sins when He died on the cross and rose again. *"For God so loved the world that He gave His only begotten Son, that whosoever believes on Him should not perish but have everlasting life"* John 3:16. Do you have the everlasting life that comes from Christ Jesus? If you have questions, please talk to one of our elders (see below). We will share with you, from the Bible, about this eternally important topic. You can watch a video about this from Pastor Dave and listen to sermons at [BibleChurchInStCharles.org](http://BibleChurchInStCharles.org) Our doctrinal statement and upcoming events are there too.

Financial support of HBC's work can be given via the [box on the back table](#), electronically via "GIVE" button at the bottom of our homepage, or by mail: send check to **HBC c/o Fred David, 511 White Birch Way Hazelwood, MO 63042**  
HBC's Elders: Fred David, Pastor Dave Georgeff, Doug Keating, Eric Smith  
**If you would like to talk with Pastor Dave or another elder, please call 314-549-8224**

Jordan Mitchell (Brookes Bible College)  
*Our Eyes Are on You 2 Chronicles 20:1-13*

## Announcements

Sun 8<sup>th</sup> - 9:20am preservice prayer time, 10am Service,  
6pm Heritage Kids Club and Adult Study

Mon 9<sup>th</sup> - 6:30pm Ladies' Study at Georgeff's home,  
7pm Men's Bible Study at Droste

Wed 11<sup>th</sup> – Prayer Time, call someone

Sun 15<sup>th</sup> – 10am Service, 6pm Heritage Kids Club and Adult Study

**Giving: Budgeted - Monthly \$10069**

**Rcvd in January \$7706**

**2026 budget \$10069**

**YTD Rcvd \$7706**

**Thank the Lord!**