



The church of Christ

# at Grandview Pines

*November 20, 2011*

## *Bible Terms We Need to Know*

It has been my experience that we are less than familiar with many important Bible words. The reason this is significant is obvious. If we do not know what certain Bible words mean, we can hardly do what the Bible demands in that situation. My University students were not stupid, nor were they incapable of reason. But if they read Acts 2:38, "Repent, and be baptized every one of you in the name of Jesus Christ for the remission of sins," and did not know the meaning of "repent," "baptized," or "remission," they could not read with comprehension. These are not everyday words in our society, so they require clear and accurate definitions.

### **ABOMINATION**

While most of us use this word only infrequently, it is found in the Bible over 100 times. When it is used, it describes the most vile form of behavior man can commit; something "disgusting" to Jehovah. It is used to describe someone or something that "stinks." It is said by scholars that abomination is used to describe the most evil acts man can perform, "foul, detestable things." I can't speak for you, but I want to know what is an abomination to God.

1. Dishonest Business Practices. You may not think abomination would be the word for a crooked businessman, but God's abhorrence of dishonesty in business or trade is shown in Deuteronomy 25:13-16: "Thou shalt not have in thine house divers measures, a great and a small; ....thou shalt have a perfect and just weight; ....For all that do unrighteously, are an abomination unto the Lord thy God." God says a man who cheats his customers is an "abomination," and had better cut it out!

2. Perverted Sexual Practices. Man has "changed the truth of God into a lie," Romans 1:25, and especially so in this category. That which man calls an "alternate life-style," God calls "abomination...vile affections ....against nature," Romans 1:26. "Woe unto them that call evil good, and good evil; that put darkness for light, and light for darkness," Isaiah 5:20. It is regrettable that so many have chosen such a life-style, to live against the ordinances of God, for their misery is seen even in the words by which they describe their daily activities. Jesus knew this truth: "That which is highly esteemed among men is abomination in the sight of God," Luke 16:15. Some among the Corinthians had formerly been "fornicators... idolaters ... adulterers... effeminate .... abusers of themselves with mankind", but had been "...washed ...sanctified.....justified in the name of the Lord Jesus, and by the Spirit of our God," 1 Corinthians 6:9-11. They had practiced abominable acts, but had forsaken those perverted activities and had been cleansed by the blood of Christ. That is how forgiveness is granted today; by way of true repentance and obedience to God's law, Hebrews 5:8-9. Read also Leviticus 20:13.

3. Idolatrous, False Worship. In the books of Genesis-Deuteronomy, we find about one-third of the uses of the word abomination. Much of the time it describes the false worship of the Canaanites and other heathen peoples. Sincere or not, God called their pagan, idolatrous "worship" an abomination. It does make a difference who and how man seeks to worship. When man decides to deviate from that which God has authorized, that word abomination appears again. Even a Jew, a believer in Jehovah, was censured when he refused to follow God's instructions, Leviticus 10:1-2, or was not genuine in his worship. Israel was informed, "I hate, I despise your feast days," Amos 5:21. Colossians 3:17 reveals our mandate for God's authority.

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## *Welcome to the services of the Grandview Pines church of Christ*

We are thankful to be able to gather to worship our God (John 4:24). Visitors, please take time to fill out a card and place it in the collection plate. If you have questions about what you see or hear we would be glad to answer them after the service. We hope all leave edified and uplifted.

## News, Notes & Nouncements

### 3rd Sunday

After morning services we will be having our monthly fellowship meal. Visitors, please stay, eat, and let us get to know you!

This evening's worship will emphasize singing, prayer and scripture reading.

### Barnabas Board

We want to encourage everyone to use the board in the foyer for posting notes of edification, thanks, etc.

### Upcoming Youth Events

- December 11th - **Area Wide Devo** @ Wetumpka congregation
- January 8th - **Area Wide Devo** @ Redland Road congregation
- February 12th - **Area Wide Devo** @ Grandview Pines congregation
- February 24-26 - **Challenge Youth Conference**

### Ladies Ornament Exchange

At Myra Hall's House at 6:30 p.m. on December 5th

### Holiday Party

December 10th @ 6:00 p.m.  
Bring a White Elephant Gift and Fancy Finger Foods  
If you want your child to have a gift, bring them one.

### Thank You

Katherine Rich would like to thank everyone for all of the birthday cards .

### Youth Devotional Sign-up List

A new sign-up sheet for our fourth Sunday youth devotionals has been placed in the foyer.  
We also have a sign-up sheet for the men who are willing to give the devotionals.

### Our Shut-Ins

Please take the time to call, visit, or send a card to our Shut-Ins.

**Linda Bush** - Prattville Rehab & Nursing Home, RM 212.

**Katie King** - Room 308, 95 Charlton Place, Old Prattville Hwy. 290-2966

### Shut In Communion Sign-Up List

A sign-up list for taking communion to our shut-ins is posted in the foyer.

Please help us serve our shut-ins in this manner. (James 1:27)

### Bible Study

#### Sunday Morning

Topic: The book of Philippians.

Teacher: George Vinson

#### Wednesday Night

Topic: The book of John

Teacher: Terry Claunch

#### Monthly - January 13th

Topic: How to Study your Bible

Teacher: George Vinson

### Serve Those Serving For Us

The Ladies' Bible Class has a new service project to show our love and concern for family members of our congregation who are serving in Iraq and Afghanistan. **If you have a family member deployed, please provide complete mailing information and a list of items they would like to Glenda Gregory or Beverly Vinson as soon as possible.** We are asking the congregation to buy these items and/or contribute to their purchase and the \$12.95 per box shipping cost. Copies of the compiled lists and a collection container will be in the foyer. Some preliminary suggestions include canned meats like Spam and Vienna sausages, beef jerky, nuts, and boxed microwavable (add water) pasta dishes. Personal items will be listed brand specific.

### Cell Phone Usage

Please silence cell phones so our worship services will not be interrupted. Please do not be disrespectful to God and those assembled by sending or receiving messages during class and worship. Thank you for your help in this matter.

## Do You Know Your Bible?

*Study to shew thyself approved unto God, a workman that needeth not to be ashamed, rightly dividing the word of truth. — 2 Timothy 2:15*

This Week's Questions:  
(from our Monthly Bible Study)

Is "skin of my teeth" a Bible term?

Festive message? Use the numbers.

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Answer to Last Week's Question

Who was being made fun of for being bald, and what happened to those that were mocking him?

Elisha

Young lads were torn apart by two bears

2 Kings 2:23-25

## Bulletin Updates, Changes & Removal of Names

Don't forget to let us know if prayer list or other bulletin information needs to be changed.

Please email Trey Harvell by Friday night. [trey.harvell@gmail.com](mailto:trey.harvell@gmail.com)

## Prayer List

... but in everything by prayer and supplication with thanksgiving let your requests be made known unto God. — *Philippians 4:6*

(in alphabetical order by last name)

**Lee Bowren** - (A. Sadler's mother) in nursing home in Heber Springs, AR.

**David Brown** - (Mont. Police officer) - recovering from serious motorcycle accident.

**Jesse Claunch** - Recovering from illness.

**Hulon Cooper and his wife Barbara** - (B. Little's family) In motorcycle accident, sister-in-law broke her leg.

**Jackie Cooper** - (B. Little's family)

**Rickey Cooper** - (B. Little's family)

**Russell Cooper** - (B. Little's family)

**Jerry Davidson** - (Director of Guyana missions) Parkinson's Disease.

**Charles Dobbins** - (friend of the May family) under hospice care.

**Sydney Fuller** - (G. Fuller's bother) has two inoperable aneurisms. Continue to pray for him.

**Addison Hall** - will be seeing another doctor for second opinion.

**Kylie Hall** - Surgery on her ear drum on the 30th of November.

**Fredrick Harbaugh** - Continuing to

deal with illness.

**Marilyn Hatcher** - (E. Howard's mother) Returned home from chemo treatments.

**Tim Johnson** - (G. Shelton's uncle) is undergoing cancer treatments. Cancer has spread to his liver.

**Angel Koche** - expecting

**Holly Sadler** (Jay's wife) diagnosed with diabetes and liver damage.

**Rayford Lee** - (J. Sadler's father-in-law)

**Walter & Cheryl May** - (R. May's parents) both facing physical ailments.

**Hendon Mixon** - (M. Hall's grandfather) had a pacemaker inserted recently.

**Kevin Moody** - Blood pressure.

**Ann Morris** (friend of the Fullers) cancer treatment in NC

**Martha Pilkinton** (Glenda Gregory's sister-in-law) terminal cancer.

**Peggy Rice** - (Janice Claunch's mother)

**Peggy Stabler** - Fourth Stage Kidney Failure

**Carolyn Stanley** - (Coworker of Jeremy and T. Harvell) Undergoing several procedures including spinal surgery over the next few months.

**June Stringer** - Needs prayers and support.

**Tina Tatum** - will continue to see doctor every 6 months to monitor illness.

**Mickey Thomas** - (former member) Room 313 Prattville Rehab.

**Amy Turner** - continuing to deal with illness.

**Kevin Turner** - ALS

**Juanita Waggoner** - (M. Stinson's aunt) advanced stage of Parkinson's Disease.

**Wayne Weldon** - (A. Hammonds' father) Will have surgery on November 4th (in Birmingham) for his prostate cancer.

**Garrett Young** - heart problems.

**Military personnel & their families**

- Stewart Burkey - (Afghanistan)
- Joshua Corey - deployed
- David Howard - being deployed on November 22nd
- Britt Shores (Afghanistan)

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## ABSTAIN

This may be the most hated word in our modern vocabulary. Even in the lives of "religious folk" it is common to speak of temperance in glowing terms, but to despise the very thought of abstinence. How can we solve the teen pregnancy problem? Abstinence. The drunk driving problem? Abstinence. Sexually transmitted diseases, including AIDS? Abstinence. But how many in positions of authority will propose abstinence? Not many, and those who do are looked upon as fools, out of touch with reality.

God never said wickedness was to be practiced in moderation. He never said "be temperate in sin." Man has not been told "don't murder too much," or "don't get carried away with idolatry." But He did say, "Abstain from fleshly lusts, which war against the soul," 1 Peter 2:11. Sacred Scripture does say, "But fornication, and all uncleanness, or covetousness, let it not be once named among you, as becometh saints," Ephesians 5:3. Powerful forces are now trying to sell the idea that if we will just drink moderately and fornicate safely, all our society's social problems will be over. I don't have to tell you that many are buying this view. The word sober is used in the Bible to admonish us to "curb one's passions;" to "abstain from alcoholic beverages," (Thayer), but modern man prefers moderation. "Exercise some self-control" in your passions, and "sin just a little" are popular today. But God says, "Abstain from all appearance of evil," 1 Thessalonians 5:21-22. Abomination. Abstain. Study these two words, and what you learn will change your attitude toward life and eternity. They demand and deserve our careful consideration.

Carl B. Garner

*Privileged to Serve*  
*Sunday Worship Services*

**Today: November 20th      Next Week: November 27th**

**AM Service**

<b>Announcements</b>	Jason Hall	Trey Harvell
<b>Song Leader</b>	Tom Young	Luke Wright
<b>Opening Prayer</b>	Robert Golden	Tom Young
<b>Closing Prayer</b>	Charles Price	James Woodruff
<b>Scripture Reading</b>	Tim Ashley Ephesians 4:10-16	Ben Cooper Ephesians 4:17-24
<b>Lord's Table - Head</b>	Sammie Girod	David Conyers
<b>Lord's Table - Serve</b>	Nick Girod Jim Ezekiel Ricky May Ben Cooper	Garrett Young Brandon Gonzalez Coby Mayne Doug Stabler

**PM Service**

<b>Announcements</b>	Jason Hall	Trey Harvell
<b>Song Leader</b>	Tom Young	Luke Wright
<b>Opening Prayer</b>	Lonnie Burkey	Sammie Girod
<b>Closing Prayer</b>	Tim Ashley	George Vinson
<b>Lord's Table</b>	Sammie Girod	David Conyers
<b>3rd Sunday Invitation</b>	Lary Sadler	

*Sunday Helpers' List*

<b>Foyer Attendant</b>	Bryant Weldon	Lary Sadler
<b>Greeters</b>	Tom Young Ricky May	Toni Colquitt Lynda Johnston

*Wednesday Bible Study*

**This Week: November 23rd      Next Week: November 30th**

<b>Song Leader</b>	Nick Girod	George Vinson
<b>Invitation</b>	George Vinson	Tim Ashley
<b>Closing Prayer</b>	Tom Young	Brandon Gonzalez

If you cannot meet your scheduled duty & cannot find a replacement,  
please contact Jim Hammonds.

**Elders:**

Terry Claunch ..... 285-4142  
Jim Cox ..... 303-0414  
Glenn Fuller ..... 365-4923  
Lary Sadler ..... 285-7455  
George Vinson ..... 262-3440

**Deacons:**

Lonnie Burkey ..... 467-9444  
Jason Hall ..... 549-1869  
James Woodruff ..... 285-2947  
Luke Wright ..... 205-280-6454

**Minister:**

Terry Claunch  
Study ..... 285-6327  
Home ..... 285-4142  
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**Work of Evangelism:**

Home Bible Studies  
Bible Correspondence Studies  
Biblical Tracts  
Staton & Tutwiler Prisons  
Sermon CDs & Cassettes  
Gospel Broadcasting Network

**Work of Benevolence:**

Food Pantry  
Guyana Missions - Summerdale  
Congregation  
1st Sun. singing - Autumn Place  
2nd Sun. singing - Merry Wood Lodge  
Clothes for Panama  
Eye Glasses for Thailand  
Assistance to those in need

**Work of Edification:**

Sunday  
Bible Class ..... 9:00 AM  
Worship ..... 10:00 AM  
Worship ..... 5:00 PM  
Wednesday  
Ladies' Class ..... 10:30 AM  
Bible Class ..... 7:00 PM

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