

# THE COLDWATER CONTENDER

*"...ye should earnestly contend for the faith..." (Jude 3)*

**February 02, 2020**

## THOSE TO SERVE AM

### **Announcements:**

Richard Price

### **Lead Singing:**

Mitchell Smith

### **Opening Prayer:**

Andy Johnson

### **Scripture Reading:**

Wesley Tucker

### **Lord's Table:**

Kevin Smith  
Nathan Puckett  
Chris Smith  
Nathia Whitley

### **Closing Prayer:**

Johnny Downs

### **Greeters:**

Ethan Hobbs  
Isaac Fulcher

### **Usher:**

Ron Hutchison

### **Lesson**

**AM:** Sermons from  
Outsiders to Insiders  
(Part 1)

### **Scripture reading:**

Luke 17:11-19

**PM:** The Last Day

### **Scripture reading:**

John 12:46-50

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## THOSE TO SERVE PM

### **Lead Singing:**

Mitchell Smith

### **Opening Prayer:**

Josh Fulcher

### **Scripture Reading:**

Ethan Hobbs

### **Lord's Table:**

Kevin Smith

### **Closing Prayer:**

Richard Jones

### **ELDERS**

Richard Price  
Kevin Smith

### **DEACONS**

Johnny Downs  
Josh Fulcher  
Kyle Hobbs  
Andy Johnson  
Josh Price  
Wesley Tucker  
Nathia Whitley

### **PREACHER**

Luke Puckett

### **SUNDAY SERVICE**

Bible Class: 9:30  
AM Worship: 10:15  
PM Worship: 1:00

### **WEDNESDAY**

Bible Class: 7:00pm

### **LADIES CLASS**

10:00 am Tuesdays

## **A Message To Our Visitors**

It is our privilege to have you visiting with us today. Please know that you are our honored guest. Please let us get to know you, and fill out an attendance card so we can have record of you being here. Please return to be with us again at your earliest opportunity. If you have questions or would like to study the Bible with us, please let us know. Thanks again for visiting with us, and may God continue to bless you according to His divine purpose.

# SEEKING THE KINGDOM & RIGHTEOUSNESS OF GOD FIRST

*By: Jonnie Hutchison*

Most of our readers are very familiar with the statement of Jesus as recorded in Matthew 6:33, “Seek ye first the kingdom of God and His righteousness, and all of these things shall be added unto you.” These words are found in the context of where Jesus gives assurance of the fact that God knows our physical needs and is more than willing to supply the necessities of this present life - food, clothing and shelter (Matt. 6:25:33). Yet, Jesus emphasizes in verse 25 that “life is more than meat and the body more than raiment.” There is something in life much more vital and important than even the physical necessities of life and that is to “seek first the kingdom of God and His righteousness.”

What does it mean “to seek”? One seeks something in order to find it, to grasp or hold on to it. It is that which occupies ones thinking and is ones continuous aim or goal.

The word “first” indicates the priority of the seeking. This seeking takes first place, not second, third, or fourth, but first. It is the primary purpose in the seekers life.

The object that is sought first is two-fold—the Kingdom and the righteousness of God. The Kingdom of God is sometimes used in the New Testament in reference to the church of Christ (Matthew 16:18-19; Rom. 14:17; Col. 1:13). The saved are added by

the Lord to His church (Acts 2:37-47). The church is the spiritual body of Christ (Eph. 1:22- 23). Jesus is the Savior of His body, the church (Eph. 5:23). These truths indicate why it is absolutely essential to seek the Lord’s church first for the saved are in the church of Christ.

What does it mean to seek first “the righteousness of God”? Romans 1:16-17 tells us that the righteousness of God is revealed in the gospel of Christ which is the power of God to salvation. To seek first the righteousness of God is to place the priority in life in obeying and living by the direction of the teaching of Christ in the New Testament.

Let us place our priorities where they will do us the most good, both in this life and the one to come. Let us always be seeking first the kingdom of God and His righteousness. If we do then we need not be anxious about either today or tomorrow.

Via The Green Plain Proclaimer

## **Birthdays & Anniversaries**

- ⇒ Whitney Tucker (2nd)
- ⇒ Ethan Hobbs (3rd)
- ⇒ Linda Jones (6th)

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## **Announcements**

- ⇒ **Reading plan:** Mark
- ⇒ **Team workgroup:** Team 1 (**Wesley Tucker**) meets today
- ⇒ **Area events:** Please see bulletin board for more info. Several meetings, singings, and Bible schools are coming up in our area.
- ⇒ **Personal invitation handouts** are available. Please make sure to take some and handout or leave with a tip, and invite someone to services.
- ⇒ **Men's Class:** Thursday, February 6th at 6:30.
- ⇒ **Pantry item** for this week is: Ramen Noodles
- ⇒ **Sick:** If you know someone who is sick, please get this information to your team leader or Luke.

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## **Prayer/Sick List**

- ⇒ Ima Barnes
- ⇒ Helen Tidwell
- ⇒ Shirley Rule
- ⇒ Richard Jones
- ⇒ Kristin Sims
- ⇒ Whitney Tucker
- ⇒ Vicki Wilson
- ⇒ Neal Parker (Ron's bother-in-law)
- ⇒ Lucetria Hutchison (Ron's mother)
- ⇒ Lindsay Fulcher
- ⇒ Andrea Kemp (Friend of the Fulcher's, has brain cancer)
- ⇒ Karen Price (Josh Price's sister-in-law)
- ⇒ Johnny Wagner (Josh Fulcher's neighbor has cancer)
- ⇒ Debra Moore (Linda Jones' daughter)
- ⇒ Debbie Smith (Kevin's sister-in-law, cancer)
- ⇒ Dennis Thomas (Judy Black's cousin, cancer)
- ⇒ Trudy Smith
- ⇒ Dean Chadwick (Tammy's mother)
- ⇒ Tonya Jones
- ⇒ Trish Puckett
- ⇒ Paula Fulcher
- ⇒ Continue to remember all those who have lost loved ones this year

## **WHAT MUST I DO TO BE SAVED?**

Hear the Word  
*(Rom 10:17)*

Believe the Word  
*(John 8:24)*

Repent  
*(Luke 13:3)*

Confess Christ  
*(Rom 10:10)*  
*(Acts 8:37)*

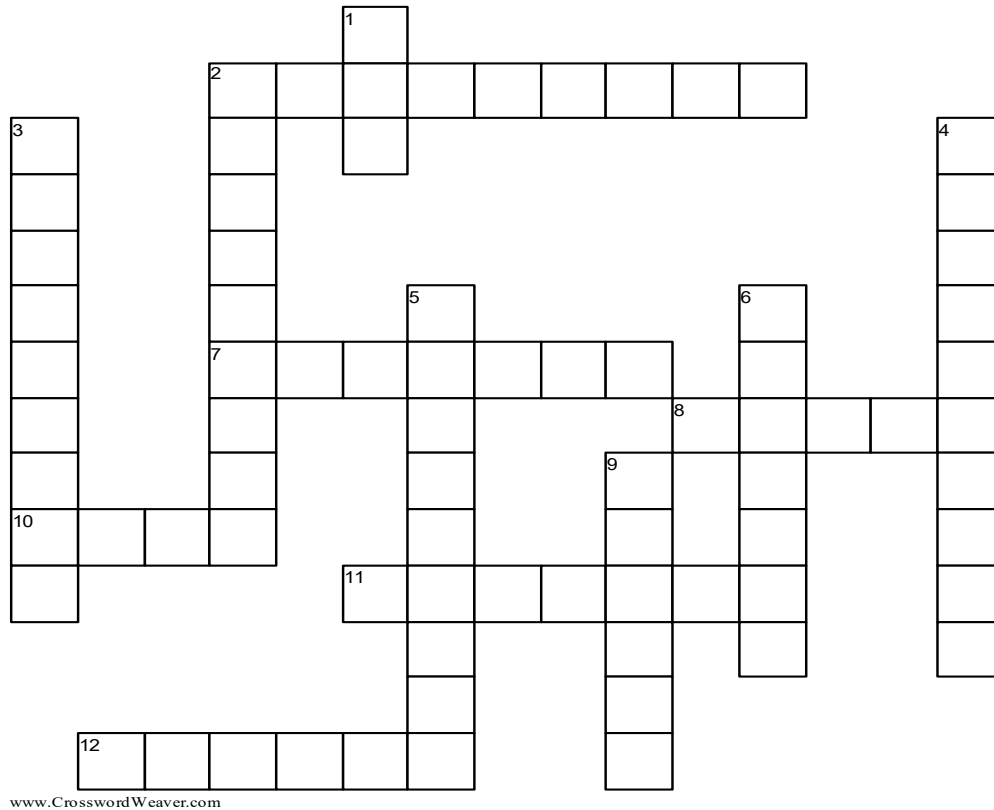
Be Baptized  
*(Acts 2:38)*  
*(Acts 22:16)*

Remain Faithful  
*(Rev 2:10)*  
*(Acts 8:12-24)*

Heaven can be your  
home if you obey God!  
*(Heb 5:8-9)*

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You will find bulletins,  
sermon outlines, and  
other helpful links and  
material.





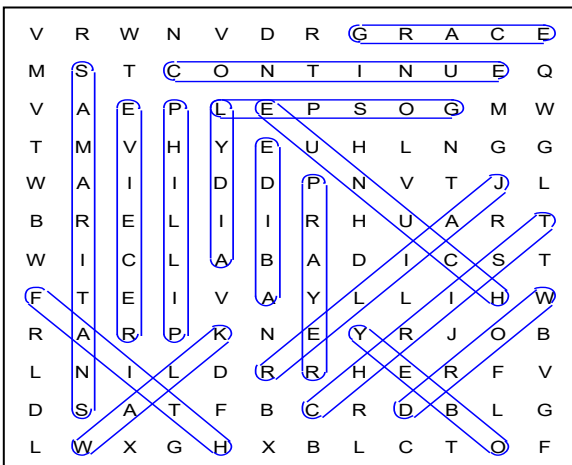
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**ACROSS**

- 2 Cornelius' job was.....
- 7 Jesus met ten people who were sick with this illness
- 8 We can cast these upon God
- 10 Cornelius gave this generously
- 11 The band or Regiment that Cornelius was over
- 12 The 2nd person to pass by a man wounded and left for dead

**DOWN**

- 1 Number of Lepers who thanked Jesus
- 2 He was a devout man from Caesarea
- 3 Nationality of man who helped one wounded and left for dead
- 4 Jesus was moved with this when He saw the multitudes
- 5 This is being thankful for what we have
- 6 "pray without \_\_\_\_\_"
- 9 The 1st person to pass by a man wounded and left for dead



**Bible question:** What did Jesus say to Simon and Andrew when He first met them?

**Last week's question and answer:** Who was over Solomon's host or army?  
**Answer:** Benaiah (1Kings 4:4)

**Those answering:** Kay Robertson, Linda Jones, Peggy Newsome