## THE COLDWATER CONTENDER

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

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## **ELDERS**

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Johnny Downs Josh Fulcher Josh Price Wesley Tucker

## **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 Tuesday mornings



## 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.

#### **THOSE TO SERVE**

**Announcements:** Kevin Smith

**Lead Singing:** Josh Price

**Opening Prayer:** Andy Johnson

**Scripture Reading:** Gerald Rule

Lord's Table: Chris Smith Nathia Whitley Kevin Smith Richard Jones

Closing Prayer: Wesley Tucker

**Greeters:** Jordan Hobbs Isaac Fulcher

**Usher:** Kevin Smith

#### **Lesson**

**AM:** God Determines Morality

**Scripture reading:** 

Romans 1:28-32

**PM:** Observations About The Holy Spirit **Scripture reading:** 

2Timothy 3:16-17

## A CHRISTIAN "CAN'T SIN" (STUDY OF 1JOHN 3:9)

By: Ron Hutchison

As one studies the book of 1 John there appears to be a contradiction in most of our English translations. 1 John 1:8 says, "If we say that we have no sin, we deceive ourselves, and the truth is not in us." However, 1 John 3:9 says, "Whosoever is born of God doth not commit sin; for his seed remaineth in him: and he cannot sin, because he is born of God."

Some folks have used 1 John 3:9 to try to support the idea that a Christian cannot sin after he becomes a Christian. However, that would contradict 1 John 1:8 which clearly teaches that Christians do sin after they become Christians. Is there a contradiction here?

Absolutely not! The answer lies in the tense of the verbs used in 1 John 3:9. I am not one to recommend new translations without studying them thoroughly (and I'm not yet ready to recommend this one), but as I was reviewing the *English Standard Version* I was pleasantly surprised at its rendering of 1 John 3:9. Let

me quote it. "No one born of God makes a practice of sinning, for God's seed abides in him, and he cannot keep on sinning because he has been born of God." The English Standard Version translates the phrases "doth not commit sin" and "cannot sin" (KJV) as "makes a practice of sinning" and "cannot keep on sinning." It does this because the words are present tense verbs which indicates continuous or ongoing action. It is not the case that the person who abides in Christ will never sin, but that he will not keep on sinning as a habit of life like he did before he became a Christian.

When <u>1 John 3:9</u> is translated correctly, there is no contradiction between it and <u>1 John 1:8</u>.

## **Birthdays & Anniversaries**

#### **Announcements**

- ⇒ **Reading plan**: Philemon and James
- ⇒ **Team workgroup:** Team 3 (Josh Fulcher) 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, September 5th at 6:30.
- ⇒ **AED class**: A class on how to use the AED and CPR training is scheduled for Aug 25 at 2pm. There is a sign up sheet on the board.
- ⇒ **Pantry item** for this week is: Cake Mix
- ⇒ **Sick**: If you know someone who is sick, please get this information to your team leader or Luke.

## **Prayer/Sick List**

- ⇒ Ima Barnes
- ⇒ Helen Tidwell
- ⇒ Norma Darnell
- ⇒ Shirlev Rule
- ⇒ Richard Jones
- ⇒ Vicki Wilson
- ⇒ Neal Parker (Ron's bother-in-law)
- ⇒ Rodrigo Rodriguez (Maria's brother)
- ⇒ Karen Price (Josh Price's sister-in-law)
- ⇒ Johnny Wagner (Josh Fulcher's neighbor has cancer)
- ⇒ Deborah Moore (Linda Jones' daughter)
- ⇒ Debbie Smith (Kevin's sister-in-law, cancer)
- ⇒ Dennis Thomas (Judy Black's cousin, cancer)
- $\Rightarrow$  Trudy Smith
- ⇒ Dean Chadwick (Tammy's mother)
- ⇒ Tonva Jones
- ⇒ 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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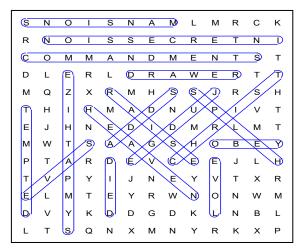
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Whispers

Wickedness



<u>**Bible question:**</u> What does James say that pure and undefiled religion is?

<u>Last week's question and answer:</u> Who does Paul call his "fellow soldier" in the book of Philemon?

**Answer:** Archippus (Philemon 1:2)

Those answering: Kay Robertson, Linda Jones, Peggy

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