

Harvest Church

October 15, 2023





What really motivates you? What are your personal goals? Is the first thing in your life to be a godly person? To seek the kingdom of God? Or are you trying to be a successful person? Are you more consumed with material things than spiritual things? Have you tried to put God in second place when the Bible says: “Seek first the kingdom of God?” Your eyes look around, and you say, “I need this; and I want that.” That’s the lust of the eyes. Are you more concerned about the schools your children graduate from and their degrees and successes, or about their holy, godly character? Are there any material possessions you would not depart with for the glory of God? Are you more interested in the lives of the rich and famous than the lives of the righteous and faithful?

The lust of the flesh deals with doing. The lust of the eyes deals with having. And the pride of life deals with being. This world says, “Be somebody.” It says, “Be recognized; get a name for yourself.” So many young couples are in difficulty today because of the pride of life. Do you think you have to be noticed? May I encourage you? In Christ, you have all you need. He will keep supplying your needs. He should be your top priority; He should be your motivation.

Start today. Put Christ first in all you do!



We are excited to offer a digital guest contact card for all guests of Harvest Church Humboldt. This will take 2-3 minutes to fill out and helps us to know how you heard about Harvest Church and what influenced you to come and worship with us today.

Thank you so much for being here!

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October Birthdays / Anniversaries

October:

16th: Seth/Kelsey Wilkerson (ANN)
17th: Sue Ainsworth (BD) **19th: Gladys Gordon (BD)**
19th: Elijah Greene (BD) **19th: John Pilkington (BD)**
20th: Maegan Cannon (BD) **20th: Mya Cannon (BD)**
22nd: Chandra Scott (BD) **23rd: Ruth Rollins (BD)**
24th: Linda Alley (BD) **25th: Morgan Brown**
27th: Darlene Sanders (BD) **28th: Dennis/Robbin McCoy (ANN)**
31st: Annette Curtis (BD)

TOPIC:

“This Quote Can Help You Find
Your Calling”

-Pastor Seth Wilkerson

Season

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Harvest
FOCUS

SUNDAYS @ 8:30AM ON HARVEST RADIO
WITH PASTOR WILKERSON

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Remembering Who You Are PT 2

Pastor Wilkerson

As we continue this thought from last week's worship guide, Paul continues in verses 5-11 of Romans 6 to discuss the fact that we've been united with Christ. The key word in this portion is *reckon*, which we'll come to in verse 11. Let's put this together: "For if we have become united with Him in the likeness of His death, certainly we shall be also in likeness of His resurrection, knowing this, that our old self was crucified with Him."

Who you were before you were born again was nailed to the cross. Now this raises a question. If your old you was nailed to the cross, how come your old you is still kicking?

The reason is that the old you is so contaminated by the principle of sin that still pervades your body that the old you reacts almost like a reflex. Even though it's been crucified, your old self still reacts to sin as though it's alive.

Any mortician will tell you that cadavers can do very interesting things. For example, a dead person's hair and nails continue to grow for a period of time. One mortician friend told me that the cadaver sometimes quivers on the table, which explains why I will never be a mortician.

Another mortician told me that on one occasion, the cadaver had a muscular nerve reaction and actually catapulted itself off the table – which means that if I were there, there would have been two dead people in the room.

But it never bothers my mortician friend, because he says, "Even though there may be the quivering, jumping, nail-and hair-growing actions of life, I know and act on something the average person doesn't understand, and that is that dead is dead even when it acts alive."

So it is with you and me who are crucified with Christ. Even though sin still wants to rear its ugly head, it is up to us to make sure and not act as if that part of our life is still alive.

What the grace of God has accomplished is that sin is no longer in control of your life. Jesus Christ now sits on the throne of your life.

For this to be the case, you must yield to your new identity in Christ. Romans 6:12 says, "Therefore do not let sin reign in your mortal body that you should obey its lusts."

So the Holy Spirit will stop you from fulfilling the desires of the flesh if you will submit to its power. God's provision is that you don't have to let your desires "act like the boss" in your life. You don't have to obey what your fleshly desires are telling you to do.

One of ministerial responsibilities is performing weddings. In every wedding I get to the place in the ceremony where I ask, “Who gives this woman to be married to this man?”

Generally, it’s the father or some surrogate for the father who says, “I do.” When that happens, exchange takes place.

Now I have bad news for the father. Once he says, “I do,” he can go sit down. I’m through with him. I will have no other conversation with him in the whole ceremony. Why? Because he’s irrelevant now.

The bridegroom steps up to replace the father. He and the bride come before me. I go through the wedding vows, they exchange rings, and then I close the ceremony by saying, “I now pronounce you husband and wife.” Then the audience will stand and receive the new Mr. and Mrs. So-and-So.

The young lady has been transformed, not because she’s not the same person, but because she has a new identity now. Once she has been presented by her father, she comes under a new authority. She enters into a new relationship.

The result is that her father, who could have said to her twenty minutes earlier, “I want you to do this,” has been superseded by another younger man who can turn to that woman and say, “I don’t think so.”

The first man is overruled by a newer man for one reason alone. This woman has transferred identities. The Bible says you have transferred your identity to Christ. So when that old man called the flesh starts telling you what to do, you are supposed to respond, “I have a new Husband now. See, I’m wearing a new ring. I have a new name.”

That’s what water baptism signifies. Water baptism says, “I’m married now. I can’t go where you want me to go. I’m married. I can’t think, talk, and act like you want me to think, talk, and act. I’m married now. I’ve yielded to a new Husband.”

You must yield yourself to God on a daily basis. You begin your day by saying, “Lord, I am married to You, so please enable me today to be crucified with You.” You must yield, or present, the members of your body to Christ. You bear His name now.

British aviation pioneer Frederick Handley Page was once flying across Arabia when he heard the sickening sound of gnawing in his small plane. Unknown to him, a huge rat had been attracted by the smell of the food put in the cargo hold of the airplane and had managed to get aboard.

Page’s heart began to pound when he realized the damage this rodent could do to the plane’s control mechanics. If the rat gnawed through certain critical lines, it would cause a great problem.

Page didn’t know what to do. He was flying solo, and there was no such thing as an automatic pilot on those early planes. But then he remembered something he learned in school: Rats can’t survive at high altitudes.

(“Remembering Who You Are” Pt 2 by Pastor Seth Wilkerson continued)

So Page began to climb higher, so high that it became difficult even for him to breath. But he listened intently, and after a while the gnawing the stopped. When he arrived at his destination, he found the rat lying dead behind the cockpit.

Too many of us have the rat of sin gnawing at our lives. We have the rat of immorality nipping at us, the rat of improper language biting us, the rat of marital destruction chewing on us. Our spiritual planes are about to crash.

But there is something you can do. You can climb higher. Increase your altitude! It may get a little tough to breathe up there, because you haven't been used to climbing that high before. But just keep climbing. The Holy Spirit will keep you alert and awake. Keep climbing until you don't hear the rats gnawing anymore. Keep climbing until God brings victory where you didn't think there could be any.

Climb to an attitude you never thought your spiritual airplane could reach, and you'll discover a freedom you never thought possible.

- Pastor Seth Wilkerson

OCTOBER 15TH - OCTOBER 21ST



SUNDAY	MONDAY	TUESDAY	WEDNESDAY	THURSDAY	FRIDAY	SATURDAY
-Pre-service prayer (9am) -Worship (10am) -Pre-service prayer (4pm) -Sunday School (5pm) -Drama Practice (6:15pm)	Monday Manna Online 12pm Celebrate Recovery 7pm	TN Revival Fires Prayer First UPC Martin 7:15pm	Harvest Midweek Refresh 7pm			Harvest YOUTH Corn Maze Trip (Meet @ 2pm at Harvest Church)

NEXT SUNDAY:

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DEVOTIONS/PREACHING
NEWS/WEATHER**

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WORLD-WIDE!**



24/7

Bible READING

month October

10-16

LAMENTATIONS
PSALM 137
1 PETER 4

10-17

OBADIAH
JER 40-42
PSALM 147
1 PETER 5

10-18

JER 43, 44, 46
2 PETER 1

10-19

JER 47-49
PSALM 80
2 PETER 2

10-20

JER 50-51
2 PETER 3



CELEBRATE RECOVERY

OCTOBER 16TH, 30TH

7-7:45 PM

Helping Hand of Humboldt
810 North 22nd Avenue
Humboldt, Tn 38343

For more info 731-414-5297



Would you like a Bible Study?



Sunday Breakouts



OCTOBER 15TH



5PM

ADULTS

**PARABLE OF THE
LABORERS**

HYPHEN

**PARABLE OF THE
LABORERS**

TEENS

ACTIVITIES

KIDS

**WINNERS AND
WHINERS**

Something For Everyone



Meal Following

Our Message is

Anchored: Our Methods
Are Not

-Rev. Ron Wolford

“You can still drunk in the dark.” What in the world does that mean? Well, let’s begin by stating that any company that is going to survive and grow must be able to effectively communicate the value of their product. This is a primary focus of major corporations across the globe. It is especially true in a world that is constantly changing and where split-second decisions can mean the difference between success and failure.

When the power went out during the 2013 Super Bown, the Oreo marketing team almost immediately went to Twitter and tweeted, “You can still dunk in the dark.” This statement was retweeted almost 15,000 times. In the process, it increased Oreo’s count of Twitter, Facebook, and Instagram followers. This situation helps to prove the value of real-time marketing.

If the power outage had occurred six to eight hours earlier, there is no way Oreo could have influenced dunkers all around the world as quickly as they did. It would have taken much longer and been much more expensive to put together a radio, television, newspaper, or magazine ad to capitalize on the moment.

There are two foundations of all biblical theology: (1) “Hear, O Israel, the Lord our God is one Lord,” and (2) “Be ye holy even as I am holy.” Everything we believe and teach from the Word traces back to those foundations. The doctrines of the oneness of the Godhead, Jesus Name baptism, Holy Spirit infilling, and sanctification are all anchored in the Bible.

We can hold these timeless truths in our hands and read on a regular basis until they become embedded in our hearts, minds, and lives. The fact that our Bible has been preserved through the centuries shows just how important communicating truth is to the Lord.

Timeless truths demand respect and honor. The preservation of His Word and how that Word is conveyed is just as important to God as was the preservation of the contents in the Ark of the Covenant and the way the Ark was transported. (See 2 Samuel 6:1-18.) When truth is carried in godly ways, blessings will follow. The fact we read and hear these truths from a modern Bible through modern means is proof the message can be preserved while the method of communication can change with

(“Our Message Is Anchored: Our Methods Are Not”)

the times. God can bless a changing method that does not compromise His unchanging Word.

Today there are myriad ways to communicate the gospel message to a diverse world. Newer and better methods are being developed faster than we can successfully implement the ones we were using previously. The twenty-first century has proven to us that time waits for no man. It will move on with or without us. It will also move on with or without the influence of the church. We are learning that communication methods have become one of the greatest areas of change in our world. Technology has advanced so rapidly the average person struggles to keep up with everything new in the marketplace.

The history of communicating the Word of God is an interesting one. It can be traced as beginning with oral communication, then on to stone tablets like those of the Ten Commandments. Soon after, scrolls became a primary method of preserving and communicating the Word. The advent of the printing press drastically changed how the Word of God could be distributed. The Bible could now be mass produced and sent around the world.

With the twentieth century came radio and television, which opened the door for technology to become instrumental in communicating timeless truths. The twenty-first century has introduced us to the internet, social media, and mobile technology. With such a broad spectrum of options for us to consider using, how do we navigate what is a good method and what is not? That question is one we will face from now until the return of the Lord.

Before methods for reaching the world are even considered, anchors must be established for biblical absolutes – things that are not to be compromised regardless of the method used to communicate them. Which absolutes are we speaking of?

The obvious ones that readily come to mind are absolute doctrine, morality, and separation. These areas are clearly defined in Scripture and are foundational truths that must become absolutes in our lives. Once these are established, it becomes much easier to consider acceptable methods of communication. Any method that would be counter to doctrine, morality, and separation should be easily excluded. The challenge for us is to influence the decisions we make regarding the spreading of the gospel.

Even a brief glance through the New Testament shows us the early church held fast to the message. However, they were quick to embrace different methods of sharing the gospel with the world. They began by spreading the message in the

Aramaic language but quickly switched to Greek as many Hellenistic Jews and Gentiles began flooding into the church. Soon after, the churches were established and missionary journeys began.

As time moved onward, so did the church. Local church congregations were established, and outreach endeavors took root. Over the years we have utilized door-knocking, radio ads, magazine advertising, mass mailings, internet, home Bible studies, and the list goes on. No doubt over the next several years numerous new methods will appear. Our challenge is to ensure the message is anchored regardless of the changing methods we choose to promote the unchanging gospel.

The Orea is the classic cookie. First introduced in 1912, it has become the world's best-selling cookie. It has managed to maintain the same taste throughout the changing years without compromising quality. If they ever change the quality and the taste, their sales will likely plummet, and their cookie will crumble.

The Apostolic church is the classic church. First introduced on the Day of Pentecost, its message has never changed. It has endured severe persecution and religious upheaval.

A challenging world needs to encounter an unchanging God. It needs to hear the unchanged truths contained in His Word. Our challenge is to find effective ways to reach a world in flux while remaining anchored to the eternal message of the Word. Establishing and maintaining absolutes will help ensure that our methods of spreading the gospel will preserve the integrity of the gospel message.

Rev. Ron Wofford
Pastor / The River United Pentecostal Church
Parsons, Tennessee

Pastor/Wife
Wedding Anniversary Meal

October 15th
Complimentary meal immediately following evening classes

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Harvest Youth CORN MAZE TRIP

OCT. 21st

Meet at Church at 2pm



SECTION 9 MASTER RALLY

At Souls Harbor Pentecostal
Church - Trenton, TN
November 3rd - 7:30PM
Speaker TBA

Upcoming Drama Practices

Oct 22nd, 29th - 6:15PM

Nov. 5th, 12th, 19th, 26th - 6:15PM

Nov. 28th - 6:30PM

TRUNK OR TREAT

OCTOBER 28TH 5PM-7:30PM



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Bi-Weekly Bible Study



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**Next Study:
Monday - October 23rd
- 7:00 PM**



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We are FOCUSED on the Harvest and are striving to provide something for all ages in your family. Our Sunday School & Midweek Worship services are structured for all ages, desiring to impart to you more of God's Word through Biblical teaching. As pastor I am more than happy to answer any questions and/or assist you with your spiritual needs. To all who mourn and need comfort; To all who are weary and need rest; To all who are friendless and wish friendship; To all who pray and to all who do not but ought; To all who sin and need a Savior; and To whosoever will; we open our doors. Today you have come in contact with a church that is "Harvest" focused. There's room in our family for yours. We are easy to find and hard to forget. You may have walked in as a guest today, but now you're leaving as family! Come back soon!