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## UPCOMING SERMONS

### SUNDAY AM

Nov. 13      Where do we go from here?  
Nov. 20      What I used to be matters not  
Nov. 27      Pressing towards heaven  
Dec. 4        God gave us the animals

### SUNDAY PM

Nov. 13      The work of false teachers  
Nov. 20      The army of God  
Nov. 27      Humanism  
Dec. 4        Atheism

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Sundays: 11 a.m., 4 p.m., 6 p.m.

Services:

**Sunday**

Bible Classes: 10 a.m.

Worship Assembly: 11 a.m. & 6 p.m.

**Wednesday**

Bible Classes: 7 p.m.

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To our visitors, we want you to know that we are honored by your being with us today. We welcome any questions you may have. All materials that you see are free of charge and if there is any other information you would like, we will be happy to provide it.

## **PRAYER REQUESTS**

Nancy Pardon, Pete Darling, Rusty Darling, Raymond Heinz, Teresa Heinz, James Bush, Carolyn Jensen, Margaret Coats, Doug McArthur, Jean Reeder, Cheryl Akers, Kathy Briggs, Betty Jo's aunt, Erin's father, Robert Vanalstine, Jo Matheny, Jimmy Mortimore, Gerry Larkin, John Mortimore, Tina Heinz

## **READING OF SCRIPTURE:**

**AM:** Col. 3:1,2

**PM:** 2 Pet. 2:1,2

## **MARK YOUR CALENDARS:**

Nov. 20 – Military Packages

Nov. 27 – Business meeting

Dec. 31 – Seminar at Webberville

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## **A COURT INJUNCTION, A DEATH, A LAWSUIT**

Charles Coats

The title of this article is a summary of a news item I heard this past Friday. Apparently, a court injunction was not received by the city of Detroit and a death resulted because of this. Now, there is talk of a lawsuit being filed against the city.

On the surface, this sounds like a very serious issue until we listen more to the news item. The “victim” in this case was an abandoned dog that had been rescued. Somehow, they had managed to get a court injunction to stay the euthanizing of this dog, but the animal shelter people did not receive the injunction and the dog was euthanized. Now comes the threat of a lawsuit.

As I was listening to this, I could only think that in America, we certainly have our priorities mixed up. Imagine the time and money spent to try to save the life of a dog. Think about the outrage of several who are now threatening a lawsuit. And, then think about some other things happening in our country in which little, if any, protest is mounted.

In this same region back a few years ago, a “doctor” was assisting people to kill themselves. While the number of people assisted may never be known fully, we do know that there were a lot of people who were helped to end their lives by this “doctor”. Yet, there were no real protests mounted. Several objected, but nothing was done. This “doctor” finally went one step too far and was sent to prison. But, even today, this “doctor” is viewed by many as a great man.

Every day in our country thousands of babies are aborted. The irony of this is that if one were to try to get a court injunction to stop the abortion, they would fail. If they were to file a lawsuit because an abortion took place, they would lose. It is legal to kill babies in the womb, but do not dare to euthanize a dog! Am I the only one who sees this as mixed up priorities?

It is time America wakes up and begins to seek God and his kingdom FIRST within their lives (Matt. 6:33). One day, all will stand before the Judgment Seat of God (2 Tim. 4:1). I wonder how many will fare when they have to answer for why they were more upset over a dog being killed than they were over people being helped to die and over babies in the womb being killed. Actually, we know the answer to this, don't we?

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## **THE WORK OF CONVERTING PEOPLE**

Charles Coats

Our work is not to baptize people! Our work is to convert people! And, there is a difference. Although converted people will be baptized to have their sins washed away (Rom. 6:17), one can be “baptized” who has never been converted.

The early church worked to convert people (Acts 3:19; Jas. 5:19). The word convert means “to revert”. It deals with a change in the lives of people where they move from serving the Devil to serving God. It requires a sacrifice on the part of people to give up their sinful lives and begin to serve God (1 Thess. 1:9). Few will desire to do this, yet we must continue to preach the word and give them the opportunity to change.

Let us work to help people give up sin and start serving Christ. It will cost us to be a Christian (Lk. 14:26,27).

