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## UPCOMING SERMONS

### SUNDAY AM

Nov. 18	Light and salt of the world
Nov. 25	Guest speaker
Dec. 2	Guest speaker

### SUNDAY PM

Nov. 18	The good treasure (#392)
Nov. 25	Guest speaker
Dec. 2	Guest speaker

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Sundays: 11 a.m., 3:30 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.

November 18, 2012

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, Phyllis Darling, Raymond Heinz, Teresa Heinz, James Bush, Carolyn Jensen, Margaret Coats, Doug McArthur, Jean Reeder, Cheryll Akers, Kathy Briggs, Robert Van Alstine, Jo Matheny, Jim Loper, Jewel Warfield, Ed Warfield, Bill Arnold, Marilyn Smith, Bill Richard's father, Charles' mother, Carol Wilson, Lillian's brother

## **READING OF SCRIPTURE:**

**AM:** Matt. 5:13-16      **PM:** Matt. 6:19-21

## **MARK YOUR CALENDARS:**

Nov. 18 – Potluck, Business meeting, Military packages  
Nov. 25 – Singing at 5 p.m..

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### **IF NOT ME, WHO?** Charles Coats

We often recognize that there are things that need to be done. We may discuss it, analyze it, or even investigate it. But, in many cases, it never gets done. Part of the reason for this is we are waiting for someone to do it.

Even when we know we all have a responsibility in a matter we still tend to expect someone else to do what needs to be done. For some reason, we are able to convince ourselves that it is not "my responsibility".

Sadly, this same attitude has found its way into the work of the church. We "hire" preachers so they can do our work for us. Or, we "have" elders, and they have the responsibility to do the work. And, of course, what about "those" deacons? Isn't their job to do this work?

While it is true that preachers have a work to do, and it is true that elders and deacons have roles to fulfill, it is not true that all the work of the church falls on the shoulders of these men! The Bible clearly teaches us that the work of the church is EVERY Christians responsibility!!!

Those who became Christians in Acts 2 are those who "continued steadfastly" (vs. 42); "were together" (vs. 44); and, were "continuing daily with one accord" (46). As a result, saved souls were added daily (47). The church in Corinth was commanded to be unmovable in the work of the Lord (1 Cor. 15:58), and the Galatians were asked who had hindered them from obeying the truth (Gal. 5:7).

In Acts 2 and Acts 4, we find the church involved in helping one another. All things were common. No one counted the things they owned as their own. They provided for everyone as they had need. Every member was involved in this. In Acts 4:29, the church prayed for more boldness that they might preach the word.

When the church was scattered abroad in Acts 8, those who were scattered went everywhere preaching the word. Note that the Bible teaches that all of them went forth doing this. We do not find faithful Christians waiting on someone else to do the work. They understood they were won to service (1 Cor. 15:10).

While we leave the work in the hands of the few, the Devil has many legions of people willing to work for him. We decry the condition of the world, yet do nothing to help it because, after all, that is someone else's responsibility. We have trouble getting out of OUR cozy house and giving up OUR time to do the work of God. We are too tired; it is too late; it is the wrong time; we are so busy; and on and on we go with our excuses – tools of the Devil to keep us from doing the work God desires.

If we do not do the work of God, then who will? We must not let the Devil win.