

## Works We Support

- **John Shafer**, Foreign Evangelism. (MO, NE, & India)
- **Peter and Pooi Fun Chin**, Four Seas College of Bible & Missions, Singapore
- **“Seek The Old Paths”**, Monthly Newsletter
- **Chuck Northrop**, Bible Institute of Missouri (Instructor)
- **Kent Eakins**, Hermitage, MO
- **Chris O'Brien**, Mexico
- **“Whom Do You Serve?”**, Television Program
- **“Bible Questions With Bible Answers”**, Television Program

### Scripture Readings

AM:      PM:

### Upcoming Sermons

#### Sunday AM

September 11: Tom Van Alstine -  
September 18: Gordon Wonsey -  
September 25: Philip Steele - Outnumbered

#### Sunday PM

September 11: #591 Bill Richards -  
September 18: #592 Philip Steele -  
September 25: #593 Philip Steele -

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### To See Our Services Live:

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Sundays: 11 a.m., 12:15 p.m., 3 p.m.

### Services:

#### **Sunday**

Bible Class: 10 a.m.

Worship Assembly: 11 a.m. & 12:15 p.m.

#### **Wednesday**

Bible Classes: 7 p.m.

## Sunday, September 11, 2016

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## What Does It All Teach Us?

Charles Coats (06/15/1997)

As I look back over the past couple of weeks in our area, the following things have happened: The Red Wings won the Stanley Cup; There was a murder in Brighton; A man committed suicide near Whitmore Lake; Two Red Wings' players are in serious condition after an automobile accident; and a six week court battle ended in the death of a ferret. All of these things were/are very important to those involved. Some on a more universal level and some on a more personal level.

When I think about the above events, I see some things that we might need to consider more deeply. The Stanley Cup championship may be great to many, but it is a fleeting thing. In a few weeks, the euphoria will have died down. Next year, they will be the defending Stanley Cup champions and a new champion will be crowned. Their names will go down with a list of other former Stanley Cup champions.

The murder and suicide show a dark side of humanity. Life is cheap and now is all that we need to concern ourselves with. The preciousness of life obviously was not on the minds of those involved in these acts. That man faces an eternity either with or without God obviously was not on their minds.

As I thought about the automobile accident in which the two Red Wings players were involved, I could not help but think that others on that same night were involved in accidents. Other people were also in serious condition in the hospital. While I certainly feel for those players and their families, let us not forget that others are also suffering in this world.

How ridiculous that six weeks of court time were used in order to discuss the life of a ferret. This ferret had bitten a man and must be examined for rabies. While the court battle was going on, did anyone consider that the man who was bitten needed to know whether the animal was rabid or not?

What does all of this teach us? I think it should teach us that we have lost our perspective on life. Everything in life is

fleeting, so we need to find something that does not go away (see Matthew 28:20; Hebrews 13:5). Human life is precious and therefore, we must treat everyone with kindness and respect (see Colossians 3:12-15).

When mankind stands before God in judgment, it will not matter whether they were CEO of some large company, or the President of the United States. It will not matter if they had been Stanley Cup champions. However, what will matter is whether they have obeyed God's plan of salvation and whether they have lived faithfully for God (see Revelation 20:12-15; 21:27).

*“Let us hold fast the profession of our faith without wavering (for he is faithful that promised)”* (Hebrews 10:23).

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### Prayer Requests

- Joe Staggs
- Teresa Heinz
- Lillian's Brother
- Al Haskell (Kidney)
- Michael Golwitzer (Kidney)
- Marty Stearns (Health)
- McClaine Family
- John Shafer & wife Linda
- Tim Drummond
- Bob Stinnett (Heart Condition)

### Mark Your Calendars

- September 18 – Men's Meeting, Pot-luck Luncheon
- September 30 – Quarterly Seminar with Michael Pickett  
7 PM: Things We Cannot Escape  
8 PM: Somethings God's Forgiveness Will Not Do