

## Whom Shall I Believe?

Mary Queen of Scots once said to the reformer John Knox, referring to his teachings and those of the priests: "You interpret the scriptures in one way and they in another; whom shall I believe, and who shall be the judge?"

"You shall believe God, " said Knox, "who plainly speaketh in His Word; and further than the word teacheth, ye shall believe neither one nor the other. The Word of God is plain in itself, and if there appears any obscurity in one place, the Holy Ghost, who is never contradictory to himself, explains the same more clearly in other places, so that there can remain no doubt but as to such as are obstinately ignorant." (McCrie's Life of Knox, p. 228).

How many today are like Mary? how many are perplexed by the confusion that pours forth from television, radio, press, and pulpits? Some saying one thing and some another. Whom shall I believe? God is not the author of confusion. Certainly an all wise God and a God of love would not reveal His will unto man in such a way that man could not understand what God would have him to do!

God's word is THE source of authority in religion. Faith comes by hearing the word, Rom. 10:17. We must not permit ourselves to believe anything that man says simply because man has said it. Your salvation is at stake. You owe it to yourself to search the scriptures daily, Acts 17:11.

## How to Settle It

When people disagree about how many ounces or pounds a thing weighs, they can settle the matter using **SCALE**, the standard of authority.

When people disagree about the length of an object, they can resolve the disagreement by using a **MEASURING TAPE**, the standard of authority.

When people disagree about what is right and wrong in religious matters, they should settle the matter by using the **BIBLE**, the standard of authority.

*Sanctify them in the truth; your word is truth (John 17:17).*

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## Evant church of Christ

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*Attending church services regularly is like making a path through the forest: the more often you use it, the less obstruction you find in the way."*

**Sunday Worship:**

**9:30 am Bible Study**

**10:20 am Worship**

**12:30 pm Afternoon**

**Wednesday Night**

**7:pm**

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## Despite Man, God Sent The Messiah

In an excerpt taken from the 2008 Northeast Florida Lectureship book entitled *Is Jesus The Son Of God?*, David Pharr said,

“The history of the Old Testament is more than a chronology of events. Its essential theme is the line of persons through whom the Messiah would come. God set in motion the scheme of redemption by the selection of Seth as the head of the Messianic line. In Shem we have the beginning of the Messianic race. Through Abraham is promised the Messianic seed. Jacob is the head of the Messianic nation; Judah, the Messianic; tribe; and David was the beginning of the Messianic dynasty. From the first, it was necessary to have the proper male child in every generation of the right race, nation, tribe and family. This was in spite of wars, famine, disasters, disease, apostasy, the whole nation being in foreign captivity twice in its history, and a well-calculated plan for their total annihilation (Ester). Only in the providence of God could such a history come together that in the fullness of time God could send His Son to be born of Mary (Gal. 4:4).”

Stop for a moment and consider all of this. Everything that transpired between the fall of man and the birth of Christ that could have so easily derailed the coming of the Messiah. Yet God so loved the world that He made sure that his son would not only be born into this world, but die for it as well (Jn. 3:16).

Will Vann

### Those to Serve

(B) Doug Pruett FV) Vernon Houts

(O) Mike Mallett (A) Calvin Burks

1st prayer Keith Stifflemire 2nd prayer Jack Wall

Announcements: Calvin Burks Singing: Judd Wall

**Prayer list:** Mildred Lovell, Darrell Debo, Naomi Wall, Gene Payne, , Lloyd Crownover, Pray for our nation, our Troops and Law Enforcement

**The general principles on which the fathers achieved independence were the general principles of Christianity. I will avow that I then believed, and now believe, that those general principles of Christianity are as eternal and immutable as the existence and attributes of God. JOHN ADAMS**

### Congratulations

January  
Teacher of  
the month

**Keith  
Stifflemire**



### Dates

to

### Remember

Feb 7th

Mission Sunday

Feb 14th

Valentine's Day

Feb 15th

President's Day

**Happy Birthday**

To

Adree Staff, February 4th

Jeffrey Burks, February 7th

Lindy Burks, February 14th

**Happy Anniversary**

to

**Vernon & Linda Houts**

**February 14th**