

Modern Day Scoffers

(2 Peter 3:3)

The word “scoffer” occurs just one time in the New King James Version of the New Testament. In the second letter of Peter, he writes, “Knowing this first: that scoffers will come in the last days, walking according to their own lusts.” (2 Peter 3:3). Scoffers are defined as “individuals who mock God and His truths, characterized by their pride, disbelief, and rejection of wisdom.” Of all the warnings found in the bible, the fulfillment of Peter’s inspired prediction is abundantly clear in today’s society.

To learn more about the scoffer, one can go to the wisdom writings of Solomon. Appearing thirteen times in the book of Proverbs, we see the character of a scoffer described and advice on how to deal with such a person. Here’s a sample:

- Correct a Scoffer and You’ll Only Hurt Yourself (Proverbs 9:7-8)
- Scoffers Will Not Listen to Rebuke (Proverbs 13:1)
- A Scoffer will Never Seek Advice from a Wise Person (Proverbs 15:12)
- Parents of a Scoffer will be Sorrowful (Proverbs 17:21)
- Scoffers will Face Judgment (Proverbs 19:29)
- Dismiss a Scoffer and Contention will Cease (Proverbs 22:10)
- Scoffers are an Abomination to Other People (Proverbs 24:9)
- Scoffers set a City on Fire! (Proverbs 29:8)

“A proud and haughty man, “Scoffer is his name; He acts with arrogant pride.” (Proverbs 21:24)

The scoffers of our day certainly fit the proverb. In Duane Garrett’s article on the subject, he describes modern-day scoffers as those who vehemently oppose moral behavior based on biblical principles. They have a fanatical devotion to their ways, and if you try to correct such people, you will be met with hatred and even violence.

Christians can take comfort in knowing that God has dealt with scoffers since ancient days, and by heeding His wise counsel, we can have peace even among the scoffers.

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Sunday Morning Worship - 10:30 AM
Sunday Evening Worship - 5:00 PM
Wednesday Evening Classes - 6:00 PM.

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Welcome Visitors

If you are seeking a church home, we hope that you will consider joining with us. We are a growing congregation, dedicated to worshiping in truth and spirit. Please fill out the Visitor's Card and place it in the collection plate!

Those to Serve

Today

Announcements- Wayne Fowler **Opening prayer-** Lyle Russell
Communion- Travis Rogers **Closing Prayer-** Arthur Binford
Sermon- Don DeLukie

Next Sunday

Announcements- Paul Simpson **Opening prayer-** Rick Cook
Communion- Lyle Russell **Closing Prayer-** Gary Harris
Sermon- Don DeLukie

Announcements

—**Check the bulletin board in the foyer for local events and Gospel Meetings happening in our area.**

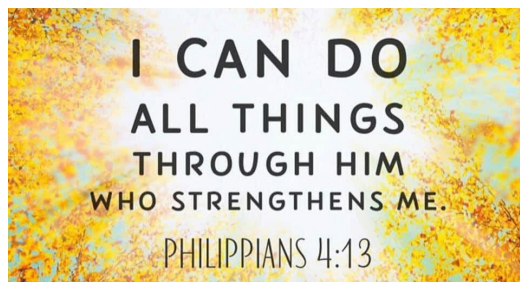
—**Christmas Program and Potluck:** Our yearly Children's Christmas Program is scheduled for December 14th. There will also be a Potluck preceding the program. More details to come, but mark your calendars! There will be no PM Services that evening.

—**Question & Answer Series:** Our next Question & Answer Series will be when enough questions are collected. Give your questions to Don.

—**Children's Home Collection:** Our congregation is collecting items for the Children's Home in Paragould, AR. Collection boxes are by the nursery. A list of needed items is in the foyer.



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Please Pray For:

Emilia Gillikin, Sherrie Burgess, Ronnie Stutts, John Swayzer, Mary Wyatt, Bella, Shayna & Makiah Smith, , Markeeta Evert, Rick & Debbie Cook, Katherine Simmons, Lavenia Freeman, Terry Smith Atwood, Shirley Taylor, Kris McKoin, Debbie Bright Chunn, Lester Pinkard, Charles Matheny, Don DeLukie, Carla Owen, Rhonda Rogers, Katherine Riley, Kathy Gilbert, Gavin McDaniel.

Bereaved: Family of Larry White.

Needing Long-Term Prayers:

Jo Darris Collins, Christy McDaniel, Joyce Moses, Pam Few, Debbie Walker, Carey Day, Leo & Shirley Goodwin, Tommy Franklin, Arthur Binford, Dan Ross Jr, Dena White, Larry & Joanne Randolph, Bettye Flowers, Dave & Linda Garriss, Sharon White-Ross, Bobby Barker, Cindy Smith, Terrance Dawson, Jamie Ross.



November Birthdays

3 - Elaine Reppond
3 - Mesha Thomas
5 - Glenda Wells
8 - Brad Smith
9 - Raelyn Freeman
9 - Sydney Rogers
11 - Tommy Wells
13 - Susie McGough
20 - Dana Fowler
30 - Ayden Richardson

November Anniversaries

17 - Buddy & Carlon Hollis
18 - Randy & Kathy Manning
21 - Travis & Rhonda Rogers

