

Bible Word of the Week

καιρός- kairos – time
(kahee-ros')

Definition: a measure of time; a fixed or definite time.



Sentence: “But we, brethren, having been taken away from you for a short καιρός in presence, not in heart, endeavored more eagerly to see your face with great desire.”

1 Thess. 2:17

(Verbs and nouns are not used in their proper tense. They are just to show where they are used in scripture)

BIBLE FACTS:

❖ There are only two angels in scripture that have been referenced by name:

- Michael – Daniel 8:9; Luke 1:11-20; 26-38
- Gabriel – Daniel 10:13, 21, 12:1; Jude 1:9; Revelation 12:7



Without **GOD**, our week would be:

Sinday, Mournday, Tearsday, Wasteday,
Thirstday, Fightday & Shatterday.

If you are not ashamed of **GOD**, pass it on.
Remember seven days **WITHOUT GOD** makes
one **WEAK!!**

“But seek first the kingdom of God and His righteousness, and all these things shall be added to you. Therefore do not worry about tomorrow, for tomorrow will worry about its own things. Sufficient for the day is its own trouble.”

Matthew 6:33-34

“Holy Bible, Book Divine,
Precious Treasure,
Thou art mine;
Mine to teach me whence I came,
Mine to teach me what I am”
~ John Burton

Discovering Truth

Teach me Your way, O Lord, that I may walk and live in Your truth” – Psalm 86:11

Playing Church



When I was growing up, my brothers and I would often times “play church.” It would sometimes just be the three of us, but sometimes we invited guests (stuffed animals) to join with us in worship. We would sing songs out of my dad’s song book, read a scripture as the lesson, and pass around juice and bread for communion. Obviously, as kids, we weren’t holding an actual worship service, but instead we were just imitating what we saw our parents do every Sunday and Wednesday.

Many of you probably had a similar experience as kids. Unfortunately, I think many adults have not grown up from “playing church.” Many adults admit the reason they attend worship services is because it’s something their parents did, and they are just expected to do the same. Is that why we come to services? Do we attend services because it’s something that our parents expected of us since we were little? We do it because we are checking it off our “to do” list? If that’s our attitude, we are doing nothing more than just playing church.

Why do we come to church? The Hebrew writer tells us not to forsake the assembly so that we can “consider one another in order to stir up love and good works” (10:24). We assemble together so that we can encourage one another and love one another. We also assemble together in order to praise God and partake of His communion (Acts 20:7).

When you aren’t here, God is hurting. When you decide not to come, God’s purpose cannot be fulfilled. How can we reach the lost of the world, when we can’t even reach our own? How can we grow closer together with each other and with God if we only show up once a week? How can we truly grow spiritually if we are coming to just “play church?”

I think it’s time that all of us grow up and realize that we are here for God! We are here to serve Him and serve others. I’m not here to check an item off my “to do” list. God comes first, others second, self last.

~ Kevin

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❖ Estudios biblicos en Español disponibles durante la semana. Por favor llamen a Lalo Enriquez.

The Purpose Of God's Local Church

Scripture Reading: Acts 2:42-47

- ❖ **G** _____
 - _____ God before His throne
 - Heb. 12:28; 13:15
 - Our God is _____ of praise – Ps. 145:3
- ❖ **U** _____
 - Acts 2:44, 46a
 - Establishing _____ with God's family
 - Rom. 15:5-7; 1 Cor. 12:12-14
- ❖ **E** _____
 - Acts 2:42
 - Encouraging the family to _____
 - 2 Tim. 2:2; Eph. 4:11-15; Heb. 5:12-14
- ❖ **S** _____
 - Acts 4:32-37
 - Meeting _____ needs in God's service
 - We can show our benevolence by...
 - Giving our t_____ and e_____
 - Performing a s_____ task
 - T_____
- ❖ **M** _____
 - Rom. 1:16
 - Evangelistic _____ of God's salvation
 - "Woe to me if I do not _____ the gospel!" (1 Cor. 9:16b)

This Morning's Sermon:

The Purpose of God's Local Church

Kevin Harrington

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A Look Back In Time

"Those who cannot remember the past are condemned to repeat it." - George Santayana

"Those that fail to learn from history, are doomed to repeat it" - Winston Churchill

Barton W. Stone (1772-1884) – Part 2

With the departure of the English church and its clergy, there was, for a time, a substantial vacuum in the religious life of a large portion of the country's population. The church had maintained a virtual monopoly in many regions and now these were left desolate of any real religious influence. It wasn't long however before the various denominational sects began sending their preachers into these ripe fertile fields to fill that vacuum.

It was from these early denominational preachers that young Barton was exposed to his first real religious teaching. Up to this point he'd been somewhat indifferent on the subject, having much more passion towards freedom and liberty. He listened and studied however and from the Baptist, he first learned of immersion. But when he listened to the experiences which their converts showed he couldn't quite fathom it. The Methodists came and Stone liked them for their piety and sincerity, but he observed that both the Episcopalians and the Baptist fought and disputed with them for their doctrine of "salvation by works." Stone listened to the various sects, and denominations, with all their doctrines, controversies and accusations leveled against one another and soon became quite disgusted and lapsed into total religious indifference.

What truly inspired Barton at this stage of his life was Patriotism. And he began to ponder a career as a statesman. He was after all in the state of Virginia. Not called the 'mother of Presidents' for nothing. Patrick Henry lived not far away as did many other famed Patriots and the very air seemed charged with politics and new found hope and optimism. They were forging a new Government and young men like Barton wanted to be part of it. But to do that he needed an education. In 1790 as he neared 18 years of age, his father's estate was divided up and Barton wisely decided to invest his share in obtaining an education.

In those days the vast majority of available (and affordable) schools and learning institutions were sponsored by religious institutions or by affluent members within them. One such school was located some thirty miles southwest of Stone's home. David Caldwell a Presbyterian minister had opened it some twenty three years earlier and maintained a good record and reputation. It was here that young Barton found himself on February 1, 1790. And in a strange bit of irony, it would be here that young Barton would begin down his true path. His true calling. After having denounced religion and arriving here with intentions and sights set on education and a law degree, Barton W. Stone was about to discover that the Lord had other plans for him...

~ Scott A. Cary

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