

Bro. K says: “Football Lingo”

In keeping with the season, and as part of our never-ending effort to make church more “user-friendly,” we will change some familiar church terminology to reflect a modern, pigskin related speech. This will help seekers who are gridiron fans become initiated into the complexities of church life. Please use these phrases in the future.

“**Draw-play**”: what children do during long sermons.

“**End around**”: diaper-changing time in the nursery.

“**Extra point**”: what you receive when you tell the preacher his sermon was too short.

“**Fullback**”: what the musicians see in some churches when the sermon is delivered.

“**Halfback**”: what the pianist sees.

“**Quarterback**”: what some people want after dropping fifty cents in the offering plate.

“**Running back**”: those who go to the restroom more than once in a one-hour service.

“**Illegal motion**”: leaving during the invitation.

“**The pocket**”: where some members leave God’s tithe.

“**Interference**”: talking during the message.

“**Hail Mary**”: the pastor’s desperate attempt to pass a motion in a business meeting.

“**Delay of Game**”: hanging around 1/2 hour after the service is over.

“**Blocking**”: talking at the exit door when people are trying to get to their cars.

“**Draft choice**”: the decision to sit near an air-conditioning vent.

“**Pass**”: the maneuver required of latecomers when the person sitting on the end of the pew won’t move to the middle.

“**Two minute warning**”: the body language of the church at 11:58 on Sunday morning.

Hineni Student Ministry

“Why do humans need Jesus?”

This is a question that the non-believing world, and let’s be honest, even people that actively attend church, don’t fully understand. Maybe people don’t understand what sin is, or maybe they don’t think that they sin. Perhaps people assume that their sins aren’t “that bad” or it could just be hubris. At the heart of the matter, I believe people don’t grasp the full extent of the human condition.

Whether ignorance or arrogance, sometimes we forget that we have all been born into sin. As David wrote:

“Behold, I was brought forth in iniquity,

And in sin my mother conceived me.” Psalms 51:5

Being born into this sin, we have all therefore sinned as Paul noted “for all have sinned and fall short of the glory of God,” (Romans 3:23). So you see, the human condition is sin. We have all missed the mark and continue to do so.

So then why DO we need Jesus? Simple; “For the wages of sin is death” (Romans 6:23). When God told Adam and Eve to not eat from the tree, He told them it would result in death. And thank God for His eternal mercy, because God did not kill them on the spot. The price of sin against the God of the universe should be death and a separation from Him. But instead, Jesus! God sent His Son! He came in flesh to be our perfect and eternal sacrifice covering all sin for all time. THAT is why we desperately need Jesus.

Lottie Moon Missions Offering

Lottie Moon was sent as a Southern Baptist missionary to China from 1873 to 1912. She saw firsthand the world's greatest problem — LOSTNESS. Meeting so many people who had never heard the gospel compelled her to write letters to American churches describing the need for a greater missionary presence. She pleaded for increased prayer and financial support to send and sustain more missionaries. This challenge became known as the Lottie Moon Christmas Offering.

Each Christmas we collect this offering to directly support Baptist missionaries all over the world.

Please ask God what your gift should be.

Welcome to SHBC

About SHBC

We are a group of Christ-followers who believe in the power of God to change lives. We want to see transformation take place in your life, and in your family’s. We see that happening in this Church through the consistent teaching and preaching of God’s Word, and through the encouragement and support of fellow believers. Our worship is simple and Spirit-led, meaning God is the focus of everything we do, because He alone is able to help; He alone is able to save; therefore, He alone is worthy of our devotion.

Our activities and teaching are centered around the Biblical directive to “make disciples.” Simply put, everything we do is for the purpose of pointing people to Jesus, so they can become more like Him. SHBC is a relatively young Church, but a Church that God has already blessed in miraculous ways. We invite you to become a part of our family, and experience the power of Christ in your life.

Join The Family

The only biblical requirements for Church membership are that you are born again and have been baptized. That means that you have publicly professed your faith in Christ and then been baptized by immersion after your salvation. If that is the case, you are eligible for membership.

There are several different ways to join SHBC, depending on your situation. Please talk with our Pastor if you have questions about becoming a member here.

Thanks for Coming

If you are a visitor in our worship service today, we are thrilled to have you. Our prayer is that you are drawn into the presence of Christ during this time, and your encounter with Him will leave you more transformed into His image. If you are new to our community, or if you don't have a current Church home, we hope you will prayerfully consider Southern Heights Baptist Church as your regular place of worship.

If you are just visiting the Berryville area, we hope you enjoy your stay and will come back soon. In either case, we would like to have a record of your visit, and be made aware of any prayer concerns you might have.

Thank you for being here today.

NAME: _____

ADDRESS: _____

PHONE: _____

Email: _____

I would like more information about Southern Heights: (Y) (N)

Prayer needs:

FIRED UP BASKETBALL AND CHEER RETURNS

Southern Heights' Children's basketball and cheer camp is set to return the month of February at the Community Center. The camp is for kids grades Kindergarten through 3rd Grade.

There are registration forms in the foyer. Sign your kids up today. Registration ends on January 25- There is still a need for volunteer coaches. Please sign up today.

Biz Meeting Tonight at 6

We will have our quarterly Business Meeting tonight at 6. This will also be our Annual presentation of the 2023 Budget. We will have open discussion of the budget tonight, and then vote on it (without discussion) next Sunday.

IN WITH THE NEW, OUT WITH THE OLD

We have a little work to do, Church. **CHRISTMAS IS OVER**, and now it all has to go back in the box. The trees, the wreaths, the lights, the candles...all of it goes back into storage until next November. **PLEASE HELP US THIS AFTERNOON AT 4** to help put it all away. The more the merrier...and the faster.

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| WEEKLY FINANCIAL NEEDS: | MONTHLY FINANCIAL NEEDS: |
| WEEKLY BUDGET: \$6206.47 | MONTHLY: \$26,895.00 |
| LAST WEEK: \$3769.00 | LAST MONTH: \$29970.60 |

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"You Must Be Born Again"

Those were Jesus' words in John 3 when a confused and discouraged Nicodemus came to Him, seeking answers to questions he had long struggled with, but found no help.

There are many people around us that have similar questions: "How can I know God?", "Is there more to life than this?", "If I fail, how can God still love me?"

Church, we hold the answer to those questions. We are the receivers of the kind of grace they need so desperately. We have been "born again." Now we need to take the message of John 3 to them. We are the only messengers who can reach them.

So, how are we instructed to help? Scripture has many different names for us:

*Ambassadors- we represent Him to the world

*Messengers- we are to take His message to the world

*Light of the World- a light to their darkness

Each of us should be thinking now, "Who do I know that needs to hear His story?" Would you take this first step, and identify the people in your life who need Jesus?