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Doctrine—It Means Something! By Josh Blackmer

Why do so many people have different teachings concerning the Bible? Not just in the areas of opinion but often many groups have different teachings that are directly at odds of one another. One might read a passage and say that God's authoritative Word teaches their doctrine. Another might read the same passage and say that it teaches their doctrine that contradicts the aforementioned group. If anything, this highlights the need to "work out your own salvation with fear and trembling" (Phil. 2:12). We should not surrender our judgment and reasoning to others. It also should give us pause to think about the nature of doctrine.

The New Testament talks about two types of doctrines. There is doctrine that is deceitful or different. "As a result, we are no longer to be children, tossed here and there by waves and carried about by every wind of doctrine, by the trickery of men, by craftiness in deceitful scheming" (Eph. 4:14). There is doctrine that is different. "If anyone advocates a different doctrine and does not agree with sound words, those of our Lord Jesus Christ, and with the doctrine conforming to godliness, he is conceited and understands nothing; but he has a morbid interest in controversial questions and disputes about words, out of which arise envy, strife, abusive language, evil suspicions, and constant friction between men of depraved mind and deprived of the truth, who suppose that godliness is a means of gain" (1 Tim. 6:3-5). These are doctrines or teachings that are contrary to what has been taught. If the Bible mentions that such doctrines existed, then we must understand that there is a doctrine that we should teach.

The second form of doctrine is sound doctrine. Literally translated it means healthy teaching. We are commanded to "speak the things which are fitting for sound doctrine" (Tit. 2:1). Also, "holding fast the faithful word which is in accordance with the teaching, so that he will be able both to exhort in sound doctrine and to refute those who contradict" (Tit. 1:9). It is plain to see that doctrine matters and one can't teach anything they want. It also means that the Bible was written to teach something specific.

So why are there so many doctrines? Paul told Timothy this was the reason: "For the time will come when they will not endure sound doctrine; but wanting to have their ears tickled, they will accumulate for themselves teachers in accordance to their own desires, and will turn away their ears from the truth and will turn aside to myths" (2 Tim. 4:3-4). We need to make sure that we are "constantly nourished on the words of the faith and of the sound doctrine which you have been following" (1 Tim. 4:6b).

Welcome to The Services at Arlington Church of Christ

God is Spirit: and those who worship Him must worship Him in spirit and in truth.
(John 4: 24)

WELCOME VISITORS

We are honored to have you worship with us today! You are welcome to attend all of our services.

10:00AM Worship Service 11:30AM Bible Class for all ages 12:30PM Sunday Afternoon Worship Service 7:00PM Wednesday Bible Class



PLEASE MUTE ALL ELECTRONIC DEVICES DURING THE WORSHIP SERVICES

THOSE TO SERVE

SONGLEADER 10AM/12:30PM
OPENING PRAYER:
CLOSING PRAYER:
VISITORS' WELCOME:
PREACHER 10AM / 12:30PM
ANNOUNCEMENTS:
GIVING & LORD'S SUPPER:

P. Baskin

J. Bryant
J. Bryant
B. Davis
J. Bryant
A. Jones

CONTACT ELDER OF THE MONTH BILL DAVIS

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SECURE BUILDING IN OCTOBER SAFETY & SECURITY MINISTRY

Sunday AM Bible class/worship services are being conducted at the church building.

View us online at www.arlingtonchurchofchrist.com

Worship Services via phone: (904) 593-2210

Online Platform Prayer Requests Text: **904 351-8209**

E-mail: Prayers@arlingtonchurchofchrist.com



The sick, shut-ins and those serving in the Armed Forces/First Responders: Sheila Andrews, Louise Blossom, Hubert & Florence Brannon, Ricky Clover, Shawn Cobb, Dorothy Cooper, Pearl El, Eric Glover, Ruth

Graves, Sylvia Hicks, Jamia Hylton, Glenn Ifill, Pat Ifill, Janice Roder, Alvin Thompson, **Prison Ministry**: Michael Northcutt. **US Navy:** Malani Evans, Shannon McMiller, Tia Williams Moore, Ricardo Reid, Erin Taylor, Joshua Taylor, **USAF:** Justus Parker. **Police Officers:** Cornel & Allorie Kelemen.

The Prayers of the Righteous Availeth Much

Brother Larry Clark: Petitions and traveling mercies for his wife, Sister Beverly who is returning from overseas with family members who were celebrating Sister Andrea's birthday. She was scheduled to return home on October 21st, 2025.

Brother Kelvin Upson: Prayers and supplications for lower back pain and migraine headache. The migraine precluded him from attending the public Assembly last Sunday. He specifically asked God to give him the health and strength to feel better and attend the next Assembly in person. He also requested prayers for Sister Courtney Cobb and family who are dealing with the memory of a miscarriage last November. Please keep this young couple in prayer as they deal with the reminder of this loss and hope to increase their family through and by the grace of God.

Sister Tish Upson: Petitions for restoration and rededication to God. She said that the challenges and chaos she faces were designed to teach her spiritual lessons. She was especially thankful for God's grace and mercy that He showered upon her in order to get her focus and commitment where it should be.

<u>Sister Yolande Chanoine</u>: Prayers and petitions for spiritual strength and focus. Sister Yolande was deterred from Wednesday Night Bible Class because of a heavy police presence on St. Johns Bluff and Atlantic Blvd. She exited the traffic, returned home, and engaged in the Bible Class/Devotional on the Platform. She asked the congregation to pray for her as well as the immigrants in this country and their places of origin.

<u>Sister Ida Cobb</u>: Petitions for Sister Janie Thomas to feel better. She was on the Platform last Wednesday because of illness. Also, Sister Ida requested prayers for Lorie Odejar in the loss of her mother. She specifically prayed that God would grant the family comfort and strength as they go through the bereavement process.

Brother Kyle Prichett: Prayers for forgiveness and restoration! Kyle rededicated his life back to God last Wednesday evening. He asked God to specifically help him to be more consistent and reliable in his work and worship at Arlington. Thank God for His grace and mercy!

PRAYERS OF THE RIGHTEOUS, **CONCLUSION**

Sister Audrey Bond: Petition for health and peace of mind. Sister Audrey's medical procedure was cancelled last Wednesday but was conducted last Thursday morning. The procedure was successful but our Sister is in some pain. Please pray that God will grant her relief at this time.

NOVEMBER BIRTHDAYS & **ANNIVERSARIES**

- 4 Gary Rouse
- 10 Jerry Murrell
- 12 Jonathan Redic
- 13 Beverly Clark
- 15 Symone Harvey
- 16 Kelvin Upson
- 16 Kelvin & Martisha Upson
- 21 Jhamaud Womack
- 21 Marquis Bentley
- 25 Kameron Taylor
- 25 Selena Bryant
- 25 Steven Stripling
- 27 Mataya Evans
- 28 Michelle Bull *****

SPECIAL ANNOUNCEMENT PHILIPPINE ISLAND ASSISTANCE

Thank you to those who have gone above and beyond to provide financial help/ support to our Brothers and Sisters in the Philippine Islands. October 31st ,2025, will be our last chance to financially support this effort. We plan to send an International Wire Transfer to Brother Rolando on Saturday, November 1st, God willing, with your gifts. We pray that God will continue to bless our hands, our hearts, and our will to assist and give sacrificially whenever and however possible. Please continue to pray for this effort and all of the ministries that we support nationally and internationally. To God be the Glory. Arlington Elders

********** ARLINGTON EVENTS—STAY ENGAGED!

SUNDAY, OCTOBER 26TH **WEEKLY WORSHIP SERVICE, WESTCHESTER** OF JACKSONVILLE

8700 AC Skinner Parkway, Jacksonville FL 32256

Time: 3:00PM

For more information regarding this ministry, please contact Elder Sanders or Deacon Johnny Bryant. Your participation is welcomed!

SUNDAY, OCTOBER 26TH CONGREGATIONAL TRAINING SESSION

Following the 12:30pm worship service, Brother Charles Williams & the Safety/Security Team will lead the congregation through a 60 minute training session. Please make your plans to attend. Arlington Elders

DEAN ROAD CHURCH OF CHRIST—LET'S CON-TINUE TO SUPPORT THEIR 6:00PM SUNDAY **WORSHIP SERVICE!**

MONDAY, OCTOBER 27TH ARLINGTON BEE HIVE

Time: 6:30PM

Phone: 716-427-1360, Access Code: 1002423#

THURSDAY, NOVEMBER 6TH ELDERS & DEACONS' ZOOM MEETING

Time: 7:00PM

AROUND THE BROTHERHOOD

OCTOBER 26TH UNIVERSITY CITY CHURCH OF CHRIST

Theme: What the Church Needs

4626 NW 8th Avenue, Gainesville FL 32605 352-372-4911

Sunday @ 9:30am & 10:30am, Pot Luck Lunch, & final

lesson @ 1:00pm

See flyer on the Bulletin Board for more information

NOVEMBER 1-9, 2025

NORTHSIDE CHURCH OF CHRIST 48TH ANNU-AL HOMECOMING REVIVAL

4736 Avenue B, Jacksonville FL 32209

WWW.NSCOCJAX.COM

Please check the bulletin board for a comprehensive listing of all the planned activities!

WORSHIP SCHEDULE

Sunday Morning Worship: 10:00am Sunday Bible Class: 11:30am Sunday Afternoon Worship: 12:30pm Wednesday Night Bible Class: 7:00pm

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Chris Carter.....Florida Prison Ministry

AFRICAN MISSIONS—NIGERIA

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Gabriel Otum
Cyprian Oke
Aloy Owata
Samuel Igwe

Uka Onwe
Amos Obeji
Sunday Onwe
Moses Ngwuta
Francis Alo



Where Will What Must I do To Be Saved?

1. Hear the Gospel

You Spend

Your Eternity?

Believe the Gospel Mark 16:15-16
 Repent of Your Sins Acts 17:30

Romans 10:17

4. Confess Christ Romans 10:9-10

5. Be Baptized Acts 2:38

WHAT MUST I DO TO KEEP FROM FALLING AWAY?

- 1. Read Your Bible Daily-II Timothy 2:15
- 2. Add To Your Faith the Seven Christian Graces II Peter 1:5-11
- 3. Attend Every Service Hebrews 10:25
- 4. Be Faithful Unto Death-Revelation 2:10

Spreading the Word

In Search of The Lord's Way, each Sunday 6:30am on WTLV Channel 12 with Phil Sanders.

Gospel Broadcast Network TV (GBNTV.ORG) presents online program 24 hours, 7days a week for the whole family. Log on to www.gbntv.org and enjoy.

WALKING OUR TALK

SUNDAY MORNING BIBLE CLASS

In Person: 50

SUNDAY MORNING WORSHIP SERVICES

In Person: AM: 67

ONLINE SUNDAY WORSHIP SERVICES

Online Views: 52

WEDNESDAY EVENING BIBLE CLASS: 49

BUDGET: \$3,928.63

TRANSPORATION MINISTRY

If you need a ride to the Sunday Morning Bible Class and Worship Assembly, please contact our transportation coordinator, Acie Sanders at (904) 314-7962

The Body Life of Arlington

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