

Those Serving This Week

Sunday: 10:30AM

—Opening Prayer	Telford Hamm
—Lead Singing	Richard Hammock
—Lord’s Supper	Jack Elliott
	Richard Hammock
—Lesson	Mitchell Dalrymple
—Closing Prayer	Bruce Tooley
—Announcements	Randy Elliott

Sunday: 4 PM

—Opening Prayer	J. D. Griffin
—Lead Singing	David Tiffin

Wednesday: 7 PM

—Lesson	Mitchell Dalrymple
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This weeks reading: **Matthew 26**

We would like you to join us
as we spread the Good News during our ...

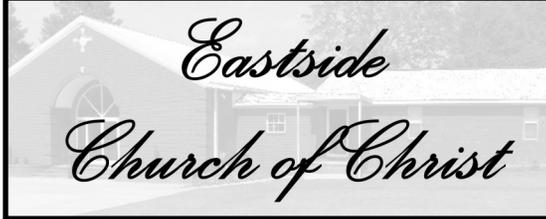
Gospel Meeting

April 3-8

with speaker:
Mitchell Dalrymple

at the
Eastside church of Christ
1201 Hwy 24 E, Red Bay, AL 35582

<i>Sunday</i>	9:30 AM	• Plain Bible Preaching • No Nightly Collections • Simple, Biblical Worship
	10:30 AM	
	4:00 PM	
<i>Mon.—Fri.</i>	7:00 PM	



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“whatever is true, ... honorable, ... just, ... pure, ... lovely, ... commendable, if there is any excellence, if there is anything worthy of praise, think about these things”
Phil. 4:8 (ESV)

Are We Looking For Automatic Obedience?

By: Gary Henry —Worpoints.com

“Therefore Eli said to Samuel, ‘Go, lie down; and it shall be, if He calls you, that you must say, ‘Speak, Lord, for Your servant hears.’” So Samuel went and lay down in his place. Now the Lord came and stood and called as at other times, ‘Samuel! Samuel!’ And Samuel answered, ‘Speak, for Your servant hears’”
1 Samuel 3:9,10

As we seek God, we must keep ourselves open to His word. Like rich, fertile soil ready to receive the sower’s seed, our hearts must be receptive to the word which God intends to plant there. Although marvelous good things can come from God’s word in our hearts, this word can’t even take root in our hearts if they are

We appreciate your presence here today. We extend an invitation for you to join us at any of our other times of worship.

TIMES OF SERVICES
SUNDAY
 Bible Study 9:30 AM
 Assembly 10:30 AM
 Assembly 4:00 PM
WEDNESDAY
 Classes 7:00 PM

If you have any questions regarding what we teach and practice, feel free to ask.

“Come now, and let us reason together,” Says the Lord, “Though your sins are as scarlet, They will be as white as snow;...” - Isa. 1:18

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hardened or unhearing. We must be ready to listen.

To be ready to listen means that we're ready to receive whatever God wishes to say. Yet our hearing is often hindered by presupposition and prejudice. We already have fixed ideas about what God "must" say, and there are limits to what we'll listen to, even from God. But if we limit ourselves to what we *want* to hear, not many of us will hear what we *need* to hear. It is critically important that we move past our personal preferences and allow God to say to us whatever He wills. After all, a servant is in no position to dictate to his master what instructions the master is allowed to give. As those who would serve God, we have not been asked to serve in an "advisory capacity." It is our role (and our high privilege) to wait upon His word and do His bidding, whatever that might be. *"Speak, Lord, for Your servant hears."*

The gift of language has been vouchsafed to us by God. But the gift was not given just so that we might speak; it was given that we might *hear* when our God speaks to us. Great issues hinge upon our choice in this matter. Readiness to listen is no accident of personality, randomly possessed by some people and not by others. It is a deliberate decision we make to open ourselves to God's word. James encouraged us to do this: *"Receive with meekness the implanted word, which is able to save your souls. But be doers of the word, and not hearers only, deceiving yourselves"* (James 1:21,22). If we can honestly say what Samuel said, "Speak, Lord, for Your servant hears," then we have a maturity that can take us toward an even greater maturity in the things of God.

"One of the highest and noblest functions of man's mind is to listen to God's Word, and so to read his mind and think his thoughts after him"

~John R. W. Stott~

NAMES AND TITLES OF JESUS

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CHRIST
KING of the JEWS
LORD
RABBI
SON OF DAVID
EMMANUEL

LAMB of God
MASTER
REDEEMER
SON OF GOD
JESUS

LIGHT of the
World
NAZARENE
SAVIOR
SON OF MAN

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"so that the name of our Lord Jesus may be glorified in you, and you in him, according to the grace of our God and the Lord Jesus Christ."

~ 2 Thessalonians 1:12—ESV ~