



Welcome

Welcome to the assembly of the church of Christ that meets at Georgia Avenue, where we strive to follow God's plan for the New Testament church as closely as possible. Thank you for coming. We are encouraged by your presence and invite you to search the scriptures with us.

Sermon Text & Title

AM: "Sword Fight
in the Desert"
Matthew 4:1-11

PM: "The Power of
More Perfect
Teaching"
Acts 18:24-28

Schedule of Services

<i>Sun Bible Study</i>	9 AM
<i>Sun AM Worship</i>	10 AM
<i>Sun New Converts</i>	4 PM
<i>Sun PM Worship</i>	5 PM
<i>Wed Bible Class</i>	7 PM

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FROM THE MINISTER'S DESK:

My "One Another" Responsibility Pt. 1

Have you ever wondered why the buildings, statues and large landmarks of today don't last? In some countries, landmarks thousands of years old are still standing. For example, the Coliseum was built by the ancient Romans. The reason why those buildings are still around when many newer ones have already fallen into ruin is because the Romans used the arch in their construction. In an arch, every block in the construction is falling over, but the way that they're falling, they're actually falling into each other, so the pressure of the gravity that's pulling them down actually keeps them upright and together. They'll last until their stones crumble to dust or until some outside force like an earthquake or tornado destroy them.

In many ways, the arch is a wonderful metaphor for the Lord's church. Just like gravity, Satan is constantly trying to pull us down, and if any of us were spiritually isolated, Satan would surely succeed. However, just like an architect positions individual stones into an arch, so God has positioned individual Christians in His church. Each congregation, friends, is a mutual support society. Just like the stones in an arch, each one of us depends on other Christians to keep from falling. Similarly, every Christian has a responsibility to do his part to keep the others upright, and if we don't do our share, the whole thing may collapse. God doesn't just expect us to take care of ourselves; He expects us to take care of the others with whom we worship. With this in mind, let's spend some time this morning looking at what the Bible says about our duty to one another.

I. Our Attitude toward One Another.

A. The first thing that God requires us to do for one another is to **LOVE ONE ANOTHER**. This is a repeated command. Normally statements are repeated to ensure importance is placed on it. Something that's very important gets said twice, something that's extremely important gets said three times, and so forth. Now, the command to love one another is repeated 12 times. I believe it is the most repeated command in the Bible, which may well make it the most important command in the Bible.

Bro. Gene Cooper

If God be for us, who could be against us...

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Stay tuned for Pt. 2 next week

“RIGHTLY DIVIDING THE WORD”
TRANSLATIONS OF THE BIBLE—THE ESV

#25 The English Standard Version was produced by a team of more than 100 scholars who followed the formal equivalence, word-for-word, translation philosophy. This manifests itself in the area of gender references. The ESV literally renders what is in the original texts. For example, “anyone” replaces “any man” where there is no word corresponding to “man” in the original languages, and “people” is regularly used rather than “men” where the original languages refer to both men and women. But the words “man” and “men” are retained where a male meaning component is part of the original Greek or Hebrew. While male references have historically been used to refer to humanity collectively, the ESV uses gender neutral terms where appropriate.

Bro. Melvin Otey

Earnestly contend for the faith which was once delivered unto the saints.

ANNOUNCEMENTS

- Youth Talent Show, Today, 12:30pm-1:30pm.** See the Williamses for more details.
- Life Lines Ministry, Tues, 4/1, 7PM.** For add'l info., see Bro. Antoine Johnson.
- College Min. Fellowship, Fri, 4/4, 7PM.** For add'l info., see Bro. or Sis. Merriweather.
- Women’s Prayer Circle, “Pray w/o Ceasing,” Sat, 4/5, 10:30AM.** @ the Oteys.
- Singles Min. Luncheon & Business Mtg., Sun., 4/6, 12-3PM.** @ Bro. Crutcher’s home.
- Speak Now or Forever Hold Your Peace! Sun, 4/13 @ 12PM.** @ the Oteys. Ladies, get answers to all the questions you’ve wanted to ask! Share in a candid discussion about marriage from a woman’s perspective. Pls sign up to bring a dish and join us.
- Fishers of Men.** Evangelism trainings on the 4th Thurs. will resume in July.
- Reminder re: Bldg.** Please help keep the bldg. clean. Straighten your area b4 leaving.

PRAYER REQUESTS

WORSHIP LINE-UP

AM

Usher	C. Bingham
Song Leader	M. Williams
Announcements	M. Otey
Invocation	D. Rogers
Scrip Reading	D. Rogers
Message	G. Cooper
Lord’s Table	C. Merriweather
Assist	B. Crutcher
	O. Eaton
Giving	C. Merriweather
Benediction	M. Davis

PM

Usher	C. Bingham
Song Leader	K. Wall
Announcements	G. Cooper
Invocation	L. Clemons
Scrip Reading	L. Clemons
Message	M. Otey
Lord’s Table	S. Pierre
Assist	M. Davis
	I. Thompson
Giving	S. Pierre
Benediction	W. Ford

God’s Plan of Salvation

- Hear the Gospel.** Rom 10:17
- Believe in Jesus.** John 8:24; Heb. 11:6
- Repent of Sin.** Luke 13:3; Acts 17:30
- Confess Christ.** Rom. 10:9-10
- Be Baptized.** Mk. 16:15-16; Acts 2:38
- The Lord adds you to the church.**
Acts 2:47
- Live Faithful Unto Death.** Rev. 2:10

STATISTICS

March 16, 2008

Sunday Class: 36 AM Worship: 59 PM Worship: 43 Wed Class: 39

Clean Up This Month:

L. Mosby & T. Porter

Communion:

J. Gibson & M. Moore