

HARVEST HORIZON

We never want to wait for anything before we attempt to reach out to the lost. We have two compelling reasons to make this day the “day of salvation.” First, there is never any guarantee of a tomorrow for anyone, there may not be another opportunity to repent or another opportunity to witness to loved ones. Secondly, our belief in the any-moment rapture of Christians from the Earth means that opportunities to witness could come to a sudden end for us, and opportunities to repent may end for everyone in the “twinkling of an eye.”

That being said, we do like to make plans and prepare for a special emphasis. Last year we had our first “Harvest Meetings” with Evangelist Brent Sivinksty, and it was a time of great blessing to God’s people and a challenge to reach the lost. As the leaves begin to fall and the corn fields reach their full height and tassel, we see that there is another harvest on the horizon. Hopefully that will remind us that we want to look for seasons of opportunity and be mindful of the needs of souls all around us.

On November 6-11 a former evangelist, Rev. Mark Shore, who is currently pastoring in Hudson, Wisconsin, will come to preach for this year’s Harvest Meetings. Let us pray and prepare for this to be a great time of growth for each of us. Let it also be a reminder that some fields are “ripe already unto harvest!”
- Pastor Jones

Last Time from ‘The Teachings of Christ’:

“God has promised not to condemn His saints, and the only judgment that believers face in heaven is the loss of their fruit and rewards, which is eternally significant. However, there are worldly consequences for wickedness, and we can be sure that our sin will find us out!

It may be a hard pill for me to take, but I want a brother to tell me when I am in the wrong. If I am not listening to the Holy Spirit’s conviction, that is the next best way to hear it- from a spiritual brother. It may be a “stitch in time,” or a little pain for great gain, but it is God’s plan and it is a good one. It must follow, then, if that is what I want others to do for me, I must be willing to do it for them.”

FORGIVEN AND FORGIVING

Matthew 18:21-35

1. THE COUNT

v. 24

2. THE CONFRONTATION

3. THE CANCELLATION

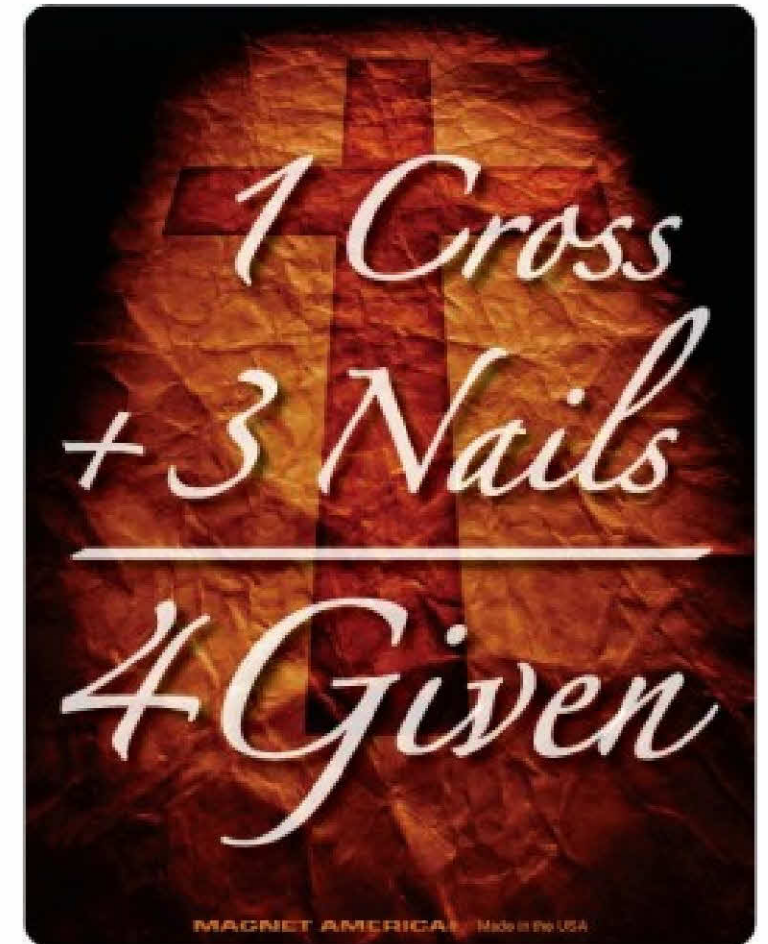
v. 26

4. THE CORRUPTION vv. 28-30

- a. The arrest was unjustified.
- b. The reaction was unreasonable.
- c. The bitterness was not unusual.

5. THE CONSEQUENCES vv. 31-35

CONCLUSION:



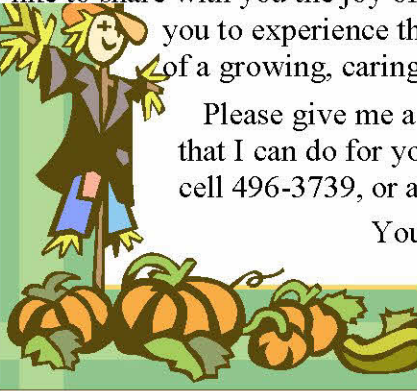
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A word to visitors from our pastor:

We are glad to have you with us today. I hope that our services will be a blessing to you.

We desire that Southport Baptist be a warm, friendly church, and for God to use us to help our neighbors and friends. When someone near us is confronted with heartache and difficulty we want them to know that God cares, and so do we!

Our church believes and proclaims the old fashioned message that can save souls and change lives. We would like to share with you the joy of life in Jesus Christ. I invite you to experience the excitement of being part of a growing, caring church!



Please give me a call if there is ever anything that I can do for you (at church 857-8063, my cell 496-3739, or at home 764-9849).

Yours in Christ's service,

Pastor Scott Jones



LAST WEEK'S OFFERINGS:

General: \$2,118.26 (\$2,080 per/week needed)
Missions: \$55
Sunday School (missions): \$14.26

Service Opportunities:

See Pastor Jones if you are willing and able to serve in one of these capacities:

- General Maintenance** projects and help with upkeep inside and outside of the church.
- A Sunday Dinner Host** for our student-workers.
- Special Music** for Sunday services (possibly offertories)
- Church Cleaners**, the next six months are wide open, please take a turn. Instructions are available.

September 25, 2011

Schedule of Services:

Morning Worship 9:00AM
Sunday School 10:15AM
Afternoon Service 12:30PM

MORNING WORSHIP:

Hymn #138 Love Lifted Me
Hymn #262 There Is Power in the Blood
Prayer/Welcome
Hymn #355 Jesus Paid It All
Scripture Reading: Ephesians 4:28-32
Offering
Hymn #157 Grace Greater than Our Sin
Special Music: Hendrickson
Message: "Forgiven and Forgiving" Mathew 18:21-35
Hymn #334 Jesus, I Come



THIS AFTERNOON:

After Sunday School we will prepare and enjoy a **Church Dinner**. Everyone is invited to stay and share it with us. 12:30pm, In our **Afternoon Service** we will hear about the "Bread from Heaven in the Wilderness of Sin" while we digest!

THIS WEEK:

Monday, 7:30pm, *Church Softball* - Year-end Tournament!
Tuesday, 7:00pm, *Ladies Bible Study* at Jones'.
Wednesday, 6:30pm, *Bible Study and Prayer Meeting*.
Kids Club and **Teen Club** will meet as well.

Pray for the Nassets, our missionaries in China



They are currently leading Revival at Baptist Church in the Beijing area. It is growing stronger but still needs prayer. The last church they started is practically self-supporting. Persecution of unregistered churches in the form of harassment and various government obstacles still makes things difficult. Thankfully, nothing is impossible with God!

Looking Forward:

September 27, Tuesday, 7pm, The *Ladies' Bible Study* will be held at the Jones home, all ladies are welcome.

October 2, During the Evening Service a parenting class, "**Growing Kids God's Way**" is provided on alternating Sundays. This video series, good for families at all stages, is facilitated by Joe Schmoeckel (see him for materials). Childcare will be provided for little ones and sitters for the older ones.

October 9, There will be a **Quarterly Business Meeting** after the Evening Service.

October 16, Our missionaries, the *Deans*, will be with us.

October 21-22, **Men's Retreat** at Camp Joy.

We have a "standard" room reserved so the cost will be \$55 total. There is a great speaker and this is always a great opportunity for fellowship. Pick up a brochure from the foyer table and see Tom Parks if you have questions.



Church Cleaners: This Week: Jones

Next week: *Help needed, see the new sign-up sheet!*

Special Music: 10/2 - Jones, 10/9 - Gorden +.

Ushers Today: Rick H., Mark C., Steve N., Tom P.

Nursery Ministry: AM - LouAnn B., Deana & Vanessa M.