



## The Pearland Harvester

SANCTIFIED BY THE TRUTH OF GOD'S WORD

### MORALITY: WHO NEEDS GOD? PROBLEM WITH GOD'S AUTHORITY (PART 3)

Justin Gonzalez

Men such as Richard Dawkins, Sam Harris and others have not been given authority from the God whom they denounce to teach morality. These men teach these things because they have puffed themselves up and love the preeminence of their followers. It is Jesus whom God has given all authority.

“And Jesus came and spoke to them, saying, “All authority has been given to Me in heaven and on earth” (Matt 28:18). The question may be asked: who gave Him this authority? God the Father is the one who gave Him the authority on earth and in heaven. It is Jesus Christ who has been given the authority to teach on morality, life, beginnings and all things concerning us. Jesus is the one who left us His perfect doctrine in which there is all truth. “And you shall know the truth, and the truth shall make you free” (John 8:31).

Christ left this truth to us in the Bible by promise: “However, when He, the Spirit of truth, has come, He will guide you into all truth; for He will not speak on His own *authority*, but whatever He

hears He will speak; and He will tell you things to come” (Jn 16:13). In this text Christ was speaking to His disciples who would become His apostles. He promised to them that He would send the comforter from God to them to testify of Him (Jn 15:26). Jesus also told them this: “But the Comforter, which is the Holy Ghost, whom the Father will send in my name, he shall teach you all things, and bring all things to your remembrance, whatsoever I have said unto you” (Jn 14:26).

In Acts chapter two we see this promise come to fruition when the Holy Spirit fell upon these chosen vessels to preach the truth of God and His Kingdom (Acts 2:1-4). Christ gave these men the totality of the truth that sets men free. Christ gave them His doctrine for us to abide in (2 Jn 9). This Holy and inspired doctrine contains all sufficient teaching concerning morality and much more. It is Christ and the Biblical text that must be believed and followed, not the text of an uninspired man.

*To be continued next week...*



This man was a food commissioner for King Solomon, otherwise quite unknown, yet today his surname is famous. What is the surname?

Answer to last week's question: a broken or contrite heart (Psalm 34:18, Psalm 51:17, Isaiah 57:15).

**Daily Bible Reading Schedule**

Beginning Thursday, November 23, 2017:

- Thursday—Hebrews 11-13
- Friday— Deuteronomy 1-3
- Saturday—2 Chronicles 21-24
- Sunday—Psalms 120-121
- Monday—Proverbs 31
- Tuesday—Nahum
- Wednesday—Acts 7-8

For the Record—11/19/2017	
Sunday AM	155
Sunday PM	63
Contribution	\$4,167
Weekly Budget	\$5,800
YTD Contribution	\$199,401
YTD Budget	\$266,800

**KEEP IN PRAYER**

- **Harold Moore** was taken to Southeast Hospital on November 17th after fluid buildup in his lungs caused health complications. Doctors removed the fluid on Monday.
- **Jim Alford** underwent another laser surgery on November 20th. Everything went well.
- **Eddie Parker's** condition has continued to worsen. Please keep praying for his health.

**Our Members:**

Gary Adams, Jared Johnson, Bennie Sue Galindo, Fran Barnhill, Dawn Bell, Haley Biegay, Annette Bumpers, David Clayton, Jeff Coe, Daisy Dees, June Evans, Ross Genaro, Dorendia Hamilton, Charlyne Harper, Murrell Hill, Judy Indest, Wanda Kirby, Dorothy Kirkland, Jo Knight, Wanda Knight, Clifford & Nina Layton, Jan Lemoine, Valerie McHargh, Harold & Alice Moore, Adam Parker, Vi Price, Betty Pridgen, Chase Shelton, David Smith, Loma Stone, Sandy Stone, Doris Stuteville, Angela Terry.

**Others:**

Daemane Hudson, Josh, Amy and Lincoln Woolard, Eddie Parker, Kaye Waggoner, Ramona Williams, Christian Bazil, Daniel Ingram, Judy Moore, Thomas Mauney, Mike Humphries, Michael Smith, Jim Alford, Leona Anderson, Catherine & Cecilia Bailey, Octaline Beaupierre, Erica Matte Blair, Jeffrey Buesch, Linda Bynum, Raquel Castillo, Debbie Cook, Evelyn Cordell, Ray Craycraft, Judy Dame, Billie Dykes, Linda Evans, Gwen Fikes, Glenda Garner, Betty Goad, Sarah Goeman, Robert Hudman, Kaliya Kelly, Elaine King, Kerry Lemoine, Martha Locke, Austin & Celia Matthews, Jim & Julie Maxcey, Shirley McWhorter, Mary Means, Pat Miller, Lewis Moss, Jean Nudelman, April Parker, Wilma Parker, Mark Pridgen, Alice Puckett, Ryan Rangel, Tenna Russell, Everett Sanderson, Butch Sapp, Henry Schaefer, Don Scott, Sherly Scott, Andrew Shock, Tony Smajstrla, Andrew Smith, Michael Smith, Rick Stone, Erin and Elijah Timmons, Leon Vanderveer, Mary White, Wanda Williams, Anthony Young.

**ANNOUNCEMENTS****Elder of the month: Gary Adams**

- Our minister is available upon request for **personal Bible studies** on any topic. Please see the back of the bulletin for his phone number.
- Please bring **toy drive donations** to the church by December 3rd. We would like to have them shipped in time to arrive in Dominica for Christmas.
- We are in need of **volunteers for communion preparation** in December.
- The ladies in the **November food preparation** group are Kristin Alatrash and Candice Townzen.
- There will be no **Ladies' Bible Class** on November 22nd or December 27th. The next class will be held December 13th.
- A **Ladies' Christmas Party** will be held at Brenda Blair's home (2321 Francis St., Pearland) on December 1st at 6:30 PM.
- The **December Secret Sister Party** will be held on Thursday, December 7th at 6:30 PM (2606 Gunpowder Lane in Pearland). The hostesses are Brenda Riggs and Jean Coe.
- **Friends & Family Day** will be held on December 31st.

**New Address:**

Fran Barnhill  
780 West Bay Area Blvd.  
Webster, TX 77596

**December Events**

- 1 Brenda Blair's Christmas Party
- 7 Secret Sisters Party
- 13 Ladies Bible Class
- 31 Friends and Family Day

**December Anniversaries**

- 1 Jeremy and Heather Brown
- 9 Ricky and Janice Pearson
- 27 Bob and Mitzi Williams

**November Birthdays**

- 27 J.J. Martinez

**December Birthdays**

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| 4 Zanna Osuorji      | 6 Gwendolyn Jones |
| 7 Jacob Carriere     | 12 Harold Moore   |
| 12 Lupita Garcia     | 16 Chase Shelton  |
| 18 Victor Osuorji    | 21 Bryan Hudman   |
| 24 Bob Williams      | 27 Haley Biegay   |
| 31 Maresha Scarsdale | 31 Loma Stone     |

## Those to Serve

## *Pearland Church of Christ*

*Sanctified by the truth of God's word.*

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<b>Wednesday Evening November 22</b>	<b>Wednesday Evening November 29</b>
<b>Building Lock Up - Bob Williams</b>	<b>Building Lock Up— Gary Adams</b>

Morning Worship November 26	Morning Worship December 3
<p><b>Opening Prayer</b> Lynn Adams</p> <p><b>Song Leader</b> Wendell Romain</p> <p style="text-align: center;"><b>Communion</b></p> <p style="text-align: center;"><b>Presiding</b> Zack Williams</p> <p>Derek Mauney Chris Wallace</p> <p>Josh Hundley James Maxcey</p> <p>Bobby Parker Gheath Alatrash</p> <p><b>Announcements and Closing Prayer</b> Gary Adams</p> <p style="text-align: center;"><b>Nursery Attendants</b></p> <p>Tracey Mauney Molly Godwin</p> <p style="text-align: center;"><b>Ushers</b> (* indicates head usher)</p> <p>*Clifford Layton, J Carriere, T Langford</p> <p style="text-align: center;"><b>Greeters</b></p> <p>Kevin and Maresha Scarsdale</p> <p style="text-align: center;"><b>Audio/Projector</b></p> <p>Bob and Mitzi Williams</p> <p><b>Building Lock Up AM /PM - Chris Lindelof</b></p>	<p><b>Opening Prayer</b> Chris Lindelof</p> <p><b>Song Leader</b> TBD</p> <p style="text-align: center;"><b>Communion</b></p> <p style="text-align: center;"><b>Presiding</b> Bob Williams</p> <p>Russell Genaro Jeremy Brown</p> <p>Grayson Townzen Jake Satterwhite</p> <p>Mark Holmberg Tom Langford</p> <p><b>Announcements and Closing Prayer</b> Gary Adams</p> <p style="text-align: center;"><b>Nursery Attendants</b></p> <p>Candice Townzen Appeal Byers</p> <p style="text-align: center;"><b>Ushers</b> (* indicates head usher)</p> <p>*Lynn Adams, N Scarsdale, A Pearson</p> <p style="text-align: center;"><b>Greeters</b></p> <p>Kevin and Maresha Scarsdale</p> <p style="text-align: center;"><b>Audio/Projector</b></p> <p>Bob and Mitzi Williams</p> <p><b>Building Lock Up AM/PM— K Scarsdale</b></p>

Evening Worship	Evening Worship
<p><b>Song Leader</b> Wendell Romain</p> <p><b>Communion</b> Zack Williams, Jimmy Terry</p> <p><b>Closing Prayer</b> Phil Godwin</p>	<p><b>Song Leader</b> TBD</p> <p><b>Communion</b> Gheath Alatrash, C Wallace</p> <p><b>Closing Prayer</b> Blake Williams</p>

<p>Worship Times:</p> <p style="text-align: center;"><i>Sunday</i></p> <p>Bible Study .....9 am</p> <p>Morning Worship.....10 am</p> <p>Evening Worship.....6 pm</p> <p>Wednesday Bible Study.....7 pm</p>
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### ELDERS

*Gary Adams 281-797-2575*  
*Chris Lindelof 281-224-2183*  
*Kevin Scarsdale 713-447-1866*

### DEACONS

*Bobby Parker 832-293-3833*  
*Bob Williams 281-798-4631*

### MINISTERS

*Justin Gonzalez Minister 832-724-4502*  
*Zack Williams Youth Minister 832-904-3965*

### MISSIONARIES

*Benin, West Africa:*  
*Paul Tohionon - Bohicon*  
*Pascal Djedatin - Dassa*  
*Blaise Atta - Bétérou*  
*Clément Djebede - Okéwo*  
*Gaston Nda - Natitingou*  
*Valentine Ndimonte - Natitingou*  
*André Assogba - Gobé*  
*Dorotheé Tchekpo - Savé et Bessé*  
*Paul Kouagou - N'Dali*  
*Jonas Sambieni - Kaboua*  
*Gabin Agbeci - Savalou*  
*Portsmouth, Dominica, West Indies*  
*Lewis Romain*