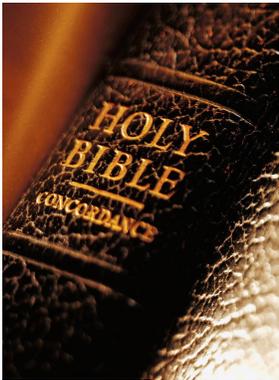




# Bible Studies for the Week of June 8th 2008



AM Sermon ..... (Trevor)  
 Scripture Reading for Sermon.....  
 Adult Bible Study..... Ecclesiastes( Ricci)  
 Scripture Reading for service .....Proverbs 3:21-35; James 4  
 Sunday School Class .....  
 Thursday Bible Class ..... ( Trevor )  
 Ladies Bible Class.....  
 Men's Bible Class.....

## What can we expect Heaven and Hell To be like? ( CON)

"For God is not unjust so as to forget your work and the love which you have shown toward His name, in having ministered and in still ministering to the saints".



In Matt 5:12, Jesus said "Rejoice, and be glad, for your reward in heaven is great, for so they persecuted the prophets who were before you." He did not say heaven IS the reward, but the place where we will receive our reward.

In Matt 6:1-4, Jesus speaks three times of the "reward" that comes to us from the Father for faithful labour. Seven times in that chapter, He tells us God will "reward" for fasting, praying and giving alms.

In Matt 10:41, He mentions a "prophets reward" and "a righteous man's reward". In verse 42, He says "And whoever in the name of a disciple gives to one of these little ones even a cup of cold water to drink, truly I say to you he shall not lose his reward."

Matthew 16:27 says "For the Son of Man is going to come in the glory of His Father with His angels; and WILL THEN RECOMPENSE EVERY MAN AC-

CORDING TO HIS DEEDS." Luke 6:35 adds "But love your enemies, and do good, and lend, expecting nothing in return; and your reward will be great, and you will be sons of the Most High; for He Himself is kind to ungrateful and evil men."

I know many of you will smile and say, "just let me go to heaven, and I will forget any rewards". Yet that is NOT what the Bible says. "For God is not unjust so as to forget your work and the love which you have shown toward His name, in having ministered and in still ministering to the saints". Heb 6:10 So rewards automatically imply degrees of rewards for work done. The Christian who only carries out minimal responsibilities may warrant heaven, by God's Grace, because they were obedient to the gospel message, but should they receive rewards equal to that Christian who expends all of his energies for extra work? On the other end of the spectrum are those who will not reach

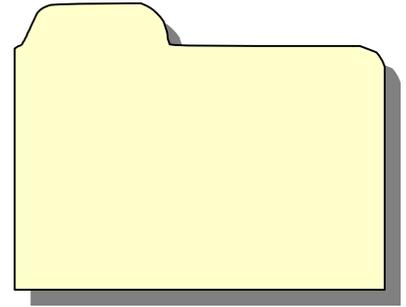
heaven at all. They are told by the Lord, "And that slave who knew his master's will and did not get ready or act in accord with his will, shall receive many lashes, but the one who did not know it, and committed deeds worthy of a flogging, will receive but few. And from every one who has been given much shall much be required; and to whom they entrusted much, of him they will ask all the more."

Luke 12 Anyone who is so naïve as to think this is a loophole that even if they miss heaven, "it won't be so bad. "After all, I am not as bad as Hitler or some of the other mean people who ever lived"? That person should give some consideration that lesser lashes in Hell means that they are still in Hell and eternity on the end of that whip is a long time. So do all roads lead to the same place after death? Yes, they all lead to eternal life. But what type of eternal life makes huge difference. What about your destiny? All final destinations are optional.

by Bob Garrison

## For The Files: Week Beginning June 1st 2008

Sunday Bible Class .....	8
Sunday AM Worship .....	19
Sunday School .....	1
Tuesday Night Study - Once in the Month .....	5
Thursday Evening Study .....	10
Contribution .....	£85.00
Budget .....	£100.00.



### Ricci's Corner. (smirking or smiling?)

**H**ave you ever smirked? When I was a little boy, I used to smirk all of the time. My mother would tell me when taking pictures, "Ricci! Don't smirk; smile." I did not know the difference, so I just continued to smirk.

Later, I learned that a smirk was a forced smile. Little boys smirk when asked to smile, because they are learning how to smile. Oliver and Eliot are classic examples. Adults, on the other hand, smirk to show that their smile is insincere. In Joshua 24: 14, the children of Israel are exhorted to ". . . fear the Lord and serve him in sincerity and in truth . . . ." Service to the Lord should always be sincere. Peter writes, "As newborn babes, desire the sincere

milk of the word, that ye may grow thereby" (1 Peter 2:2). God's word is without hypocrisy and our ingesting of God's word will produce sincerity in our lives. Paul writes to the Philippians, "And this I pray, that your love may abound yet more and more in knowledge and in all judgment, that ye may approve things that are excellent; that ye may be sincere and without offence till the day of Christ."

One cannot be a hypocrite and be a faithful Christian. Sincerity involves believing God's word AND practicing it. James writes, "But be ye doers of the word, and not hearers only, deceiving your own selves." Are our lives as Christian's smirks, or smiles? Do we practice Christianity, or pose as Christians?

One day our life will be over. We will meet God in the judgment. All things that happened in our life will be exposed because there is nothing that is secret before Him (Ecc.12:14). "Neither is there any creature that is not manifest in his sight: but all things are naked and opened unto the eyes of him with whom we have to do" (Heb.4:13). So, when God takes your picture, will you be smirking or smiling?

#### **Study Tonight.**

Brethren tonight there is study at our home. Please come and be blessed in the Lords word if you can. The lesson will be entitled, "DANGERS OF A PROUD HEART". Study starts at 6.30pm sharp. Snacks will be available.

#### **Prayers needed!**

Please keep those many brethren who are ill in your prayers this week. Also pray for those who are away on Holiday, that they May return to us safe.



*"Neither is there any creature that is not manifest in his sight: but all things are naked and opened unto the eyes of him with whom we have to do"*

## IMPORTANT INFO

We are thankful to God for this new Lord's Day. It is the day we honor His Son and the Love that He has shown us through Him. Let us worship in spirit and in truth!

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Ladies Class, 11.06.08

1.00pm-2.30pm

Bible study at the Gambino's  
TONIGHT; 6.30pm start.

Study Night, HERE

29.06.08 6pm start.

Birthday: Winifed.

Ask A Bible Question, Log onto:

**ScripturesSay.com**

## God's Salvation Plan

1. **Hear** the Gospel—Romans 10:17
2. **Believe** on the Lord & His Word—Mark 16:16; John 8:24
3. **Repent** of your sins—Luke 13:3,5; Acts 17:30
4. **Confess** Christ—Matthew 10:32,33; Luke 12:8; Romans 10:9
5. **Be Baptized** for the remission of sins—Acts 2:38; Mark 16:16; Galatians 3:27
6. Live a **faithful**, dedicated life—Revelation 2:10; 2 Peter 1:5-10

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## Times for Worship and Study.

Sunday Morning Worship .....	11:00 AM
Sunday Morning Bible Study.....	10:00 AM
Sunday School.....	10:00 AM
Ladies Bible Class .....	Every Wednesday 1:00 PM
Thursday Evening Bible Class.....	7:30 PM
Men's Bible Study Class .....	First Tuesday in the Month 7:30 PM

## Serving Each Other

*June 8th 2008*

*June 15th 2008*

### Sunday Morning

President Edwin Roy

Preaching: Trevor Trevor

Opening Prayer:

Scripture Reading: Trevor Trevor

### Lord's Table

Ricci Eric

Eric Ricci

Edwin Philip

### Closing Prayer

### Sunday Evening: Preacher

Ricci

### Flowers

Rita

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### Tea

Rita

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### Building clean for June: 08

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