## South Gate Church of Christ

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#### **Be Baptized**

**Romans 6:3,4** Or do you not know that all of us who have been baptized into Christ Jesus have been baptized into His death? <sup>4</sup> Therefore we have been buried with Him through baptism into death, so that as Christ was raised from the dead through the glory of the Father, so we too might walk in newness of life.

I hope you are enjoying your week. Lord willing, Natalie and I are with the boys enjoying a little time in Florida this week. I enjoy our time together as a family, but I am equally excited about coming back to enjoy worship with you this Sunday. Many will be looking for a place to worship on Easter, and I want to encourage you to make sure to invite people you come in contact with to come worship with us. Who knows what the Lord has been doing in their lives and Sunday may be a time for them to decide to come back to the Lord. Let God use you this week.

I also wanted you to know we will be discussing the Scripture's teaching on Baptism Sunday. It will be a thorough viewing of a number of scriptures on this subject. This topic is one the religious world has made confusing, but scripture gives us plenty of information to help make its purposes clear. I look forward to sharing this information, and if you know someone who is wondering what the Bible teachings about this it would be a wonderful time to give them an invite based on this topic. What a beautiful opportunity we have as God's people to be united with our Lord and walk in newness of life. Praise God for His goodness! I hope to see you Sunday!

#### **Reasoning From Scriptures**

Acts 17:2-3 As his custom was, Paul went into the synagogue, and on three Sabbath days he reasoned with them from the Scriptures, explaining and proving that the Christ had to suffer and rise from the dead. "This Jesus I am proclaiming to you is the Christ," he said.

The foundation of Christianity is the resurrection of Jesus Christ. Paul delivered this message wherever he went. Some people responded with mockery, some with unbelief and some with great conviction. As Christians, can we explain and reason with those who do not believe in the resurrection? Could you convince someone that Jesus rose from the dead? Do you know the Old Testament Scriptures well enough to show God's plan in sending his Son to earth? Could you tell the crucifixion and resurrection of Jesus from Psalm 22? Are you capable of explaining the message of the suffering Messiah from the 53rd chapter of Isaiah? The prophecy fulfilled by the life of Jesus is an extremely strong argument for the resurrection.

In the gospels, Jesus predicted not only his death but his resurrection on the third day following his death. Do you know the accounts provided by Matthew, Mark, Luke and John describing his death and resurrection? Paul gave reasons in I Corinthians 15 for the resurrection which would be useful in convincing others. Today more than ever we need to be able to explain why we believe that Jesus arose from the dead. False explanations still abound today for what happened on that marvelous day 2000 years ago. Knowledge of the Scriptures will present the truth today just as Paul did back in his day. Let's know the reasons for our beliefs.

John

#### **KEEP IN YOUR PRAYERS:** OUR MEMBERS

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### **WORSHIP LEADERS APRIL 1, 2018**

#### **SUNDAY 9:00 A.M**

Welcome	Richard Farris		
Song Leader:	Jerry Wilson		
Prayer:	Gary Boyd		
Lord's Supper: Presiding			
Jesse Gilliam	Terry Burgess		
Ryan Massey	Corey Smith		
Ronnie Skelley	Chase Thomason		
Dustin Stutts	Lee Winchester		
Read: Romans 6:1-11	Benny Bolton		
Sermon: Be Baptized	John Thomas		
Announcements/Closing Prayer	Richard Farris		

#### SUNDAY 5:30 P.M.

Welcome/Song Leader	Ryan Grice
Prayer	Trent Hill
Read: Judges 4:4-9	Mike Kinzer
Sermon: I'll Go If You'll Go	Joe Macer
Presiding	Charlie Willis
Announcements/Closing Prayer	Jerry Ballard

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NURSERY CARE FOR APRIL	WEDNESDAY, APRIL 4, 6:30 P.M.	
	Song Leader:	Ryan Grice
	Prayer:	Shaun Townsend
A.MAlice Williams & Hillary Caldwell	Announcements/Speaker:	Nathan Hixson