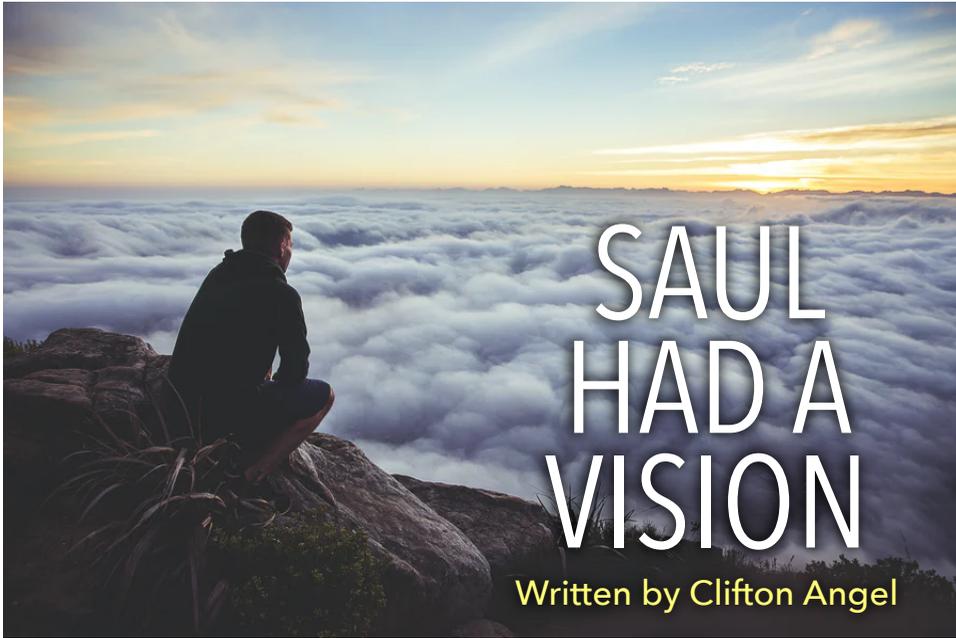


The Messenger

COLDWATER CHURCH OF CHRIST March 7, 2021



When Jesus called Ananias to go to Saul, He informed him how that Saul "hath seen in a vision a man named Ananias coming in, and putting his hand on him, that he might receive his sight" (Acts 9:12).

In history, God has used visions as a means of communicating to prophets: "Hear now my words:

This then is the message which we have heard of him, and declare unto you... (1 John 1:5).

VISITORS, WELCOME!

Sunday:

9:30 a.m. Bible Class

10:30 a.m. WORSHIP

1:00 p.m. WORSHIP

Wednesday:

7:00 p.m. Bible Class

We have Bible classes
for all ages & fellowship
for lunch every Sunday!

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If there be a prophet among you, I the LORD will make myself known unto him in a vision, and will speak unto him in a dream" (Numbers 12:6; cf. Isaiah 1:1; Ezekiel 1:1; Daniel 1:17; et al.). He has used visions to encourage (Genesis 15:1). He has used visions as a means of rebuking (Isaiah 29:11; cf. also, Daniel 4). Visions were frequently used by God in revealing significant future events, whether good or bad. At the Coldwater church of Christ, we are currently studying the work of the prophet Zechariah, who was shown numerous visions, some concerning the things of Zechariah's time, and some concerning events that were planned for centuries after his day—many concerning Jesus. Incidentally, we do not find where visions take away sins.

"God, who at various times and in various ways spoke in time past to the fathers by the prophets, has in these last days spoken unto us by His Son" (Hebrews 1:1-2). Truly, in the days of the apostles, God would still use visions on occasion (cf. Acts 9:12; Acts 10:9-18). However, with God's revelation to man completed, the covenant of Christ delivered, and no longer a need for the miraculous age, ...

... visions to man have ceased to be used by God (cf. 1 Corinthians 13:8-10; cf. again, Hebrews 1:1).

Some claim they are still receiving visions from God, today. I am not convinced they are; however, even if they are, such would not be evidence of salvation. According to our text, Saul saw a vision; yet, he had this vision while he was still in his sins. If a vision could save him, Ananias would not need to come to him, and he certainly would not need to be baptized as Ananias commanded him: "And now why tarriest thou? arise, and be baptized, and wash away thy sins, calling on the name of the Lord" (Acts 22:16). Furthermore, the Gentile Cornelius saw a vision while he was yet in his sins. It was not until he was baptized as Peter commanded that he was saved: "Can any man forbid water, that these should not be baptized, which have received the Holy Spirit as well as we? And he commanded them to be baptized in the name of the Lord. Then prayed they him to tarry certain days" (Acts 10:47-48; cf. Acts 10:1-6).

Saul had a vision. His vision was significant; however, it did not save him from his sins.

NEWS & NOTES

Please Pray

Noah Davis, enlisted in the army and will begin training soon; **Angel family**, traveling; **Jason Bayless & family**, coronavirus; **Wiley Tuggle**, first leg surgery scheduled for 3/29; **Mary Alice Arnold**; **Clarence & Faye Edwards**; **Sammy Williams**; **Inez Neyman**.

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Family & Friends

Eddie Honeycutt, Carl's brother; **Jessica**, Mark Lance's daughter, diagnosed with leukemia; **Carolyn Plumlee**, Lara's aunt; **Christine Luckett & family**, Marc's friend, lost her 10 year-old son to drowning; **Sherry Williams family**; **Austin Eldridge**, Desoto County deputy severely injured on the job.

Birthdays

3/6 Emma Wofford
3/9 Ginger Bayless
3/9 Jan Daniel
3/13 Carl Zluticky
3/15 Leah Angel
3/29 Payton Jackson

Get Involved!

Resuming Fellowship Meals: TODAY
Team lists posted to our Facebook group

Folding/Sealing Mailouts: TODAY
Immediately following the 1 PM service

Men's Leadership Class: Sundays, 12 PM
All men invited (young & old)

Youth Devotionals 2021
Sign up to host a youth devotional

Privileged to Serve

Sunday, March 3

Morning

Prayer Before Class	Billy Bland
Announcements	Jerry Davis
Song Leader	Andy Ratliff
Opening Prayer	Tim Meredith
Sermon	Billy Bland
Lord's Supper:	
Preside	Jim Jackson
Assist	

Closing Prayer	Noah Davis
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Afternoon

Song Leader	Andy Ratliff
Opening Prayer	Jeffrey Ferrell
Sermon	Tim Wilkes, II
Lord's Supper	Jim Jackson
Closing Prayer	John Wofford

Wednesday, March 10

Song Leader	Andy Ratliff
Prayer	Jerry Davis
Invitation	Jim Jackson
Prayer	Tim Wilkes, II

TECH:	Daniel Owen
HALL:	