New Sermon Series: Fear of the LORD

Today's sermon: Christianity is for Idiots

Sermon Tidbit:

Questions asked in the Pew survey referenced in the sermon were broken down into several areas. Some examples are: knowledge of the Bible, elements of Christianity, world religions, and Christianity in the U.S. It is disturbing that atheists consistently know more than the average U.S. citizen who professes to be a Christian. It is interesting that this survey regards Protestants as those who believe in salvation by faith alone and disturbing that most people consider us Prostestants. I look at this table below and wish there was a category for New Testament Christians.

We have our work cut out for us, don't we?

### How Religious Groups Performed on the U.S. Religious Knowledge Survey

	Average # correct out of 32	% with 17 or more correct
Total	16.0	47
Christian	15.7	45
Protestant	16.0	46
White evangelical	17.6	56
White mainline	15.8	45
Black Protestant	13.4	28
Catholic	14.7	40
White Catholic	16.0	48
Hispanic Catholic	11.6	20
Mormon	20.3	74
Jewish	20.5	73
Unaffiliated	16.6	52
Atheist/Agnostic	20.9	82
Nothing in particula	r 15.2	42

PEW RESEARCH CENTER'S FORUM ON RELIGION & PUBLIC LIFE May 19-June 6, 2010



That meets at 215 South Thomas Ave, Sayre, PA 18840 Arthur Barry, evangelist- (607) 280-1732 December 7, 2014

### **WELCOME!**

Sunday Bible Class- 9:30am Worship- 10:30am

Wednesday Bible Class- 7:00pm

Check out the website for Valley Cities Church of Christ, valleycitieschurchofchrist.org

and that of the Antioch Initiative, which is instrumental in planting this new work:

aicoc.org

Sermons will be recorded and will be available for listening on the church website. Bulletins will also be archived on the website.



### Bible class series continuing today:

# The Book of Ephesians

"Sit - Walk - Stand"

# **UPCOMING EVENTS…**

- Christ for Today will be mailed out this week to about 1000 homes in Sayre. This issue deals with Why did Christ come to earth?
- If anyone is interested in a Christmas Cookie Exchange, please let Sandy know. Cookies can be exchanged next Sunday. Each person makes only one type of cookie, enough for a dozen for each of us, including yourself. Copies of the recipe are nice, but not necessary.

# NEWS...

- We have placed an ad in the Morning Times local newspaper about Valley Cities Church of Christ.
- Darlene Elsbree reports that they are settled in Cedar Cove,
   FL for a while, after visiting her father in West Palm Beach.
- Don't forget to write your **blessings** and add to the basket.



# PRAYERS...

- Ruthie and Patty Albro's niece, Trish's husband, Kevin Gibson, has mouth and throat cancer.
- Cindy Patrick will be having minor surgery at Robert C.
   Packer Hospital on January 15<sup>th</sup>.
- Darlene and Doug Elsbree will be returning from FL on the 5<sup>th</sup> of January. Darlene will be having minor surgery on January 8<sup>th</sup>.
- Dave Halligan's sister, Marguerite, has been diagnosed with leukemia. She is doing well under the circumstances.
- Victoria Ford will be having an MRI on December 19<sup>th</sup>.
- John Felt would like prayers for his daughter, Katie, who
  is having a baby at a young age. Rex asked for prayers for
  her son, Derrick, who will be making a big adjustment to
  his living conditions.



If you have any prayers or news that you would like included in the bulletin, please contact Sandy Barry barncat7237@gmail.com or text or call (607) 261-0911.



**Songs: 288** Fairest Lord Jesus, **410** He Leadeth Me, **332** Lead Me to Calvary, **635** Freely, Freely, **709** How Sweet, How Heavenly, **628** Will You Not Tell it Today?