



JACKSON CHURCH OF CHRIST

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Lessons for Today

AM: Brian Mitchell
"The Use of
Implications"
John 3:16

PM: Brian Mitchell
"What is
Expediency?"

The Church's Source of Authority The Use of Implications

We saw that the Bible teaches us and thus authorizes a particular belief and or practice in 3 ways. There are direct statements of biblical truth, explicitly stated positive commands or negative prohibitions and approved apostolic or NT examples. These are the 3 relatively easy ways for us to know and do that which is pleasing to God. This week we are going to finish our study of the church's source of authority by considering valid implications and expediency.

Inferences or Implication, it is readily admitted, is a method of establishing Bible authority which meets with far less agreement than those previously mentioned, it does not, however, lessen our need for its use. What is an inference or implication? An inference or implication is an essential conclusion drawn from the data supplied by the Biblical text itself. When an action, fact or teaching is absolutely demanded by the biblical information at hand—without being specifically stated—then that action, fact or teaching is a matter of implication. Such conclusions do not, as some allege, derive their authority from the one doing the concluding, but rather from God the author of the Bible who implied them.

A simple example is found in Jn.3:16. God loves the world and wants the world to be saved and thus He gave His Son—explicitly or directly stated. Implication—God so loved Brian Mitchell that He gave His only begotten Son. How do I know this is true, the text does not directly say this? I know this is true because I am a part of the world that God so loved and thus I may logically imply that He loved me and gave His Son for me that I would not perish.

It is often said that these are necessary inferences or implications. I do not, however, believe that it is necessary to use the word necessary. If something is implied by the Bible then it is necessary for us to obey it if it is addressing us. If it is not necessary for us to do something then it is not implied that we should by the Bible. It would actually be more correct to speak of valid and invalid implications then necessary ones. A valid implication is one that it is essential to reach both contextually and logically.

Logic—is the science of arriving at valid inferences or deductions. Regardless of what some may say it plays a very vital role in the process of determining what God does and does not want us to do. According to 1 Thes.5:21, we must use the Word of God and logic to test every belief we hold and every practice we engage in.

A valid inference or implication does not require that everyone agree that it is valid. At first, Paul could not get Jewish Christians to understand that from all he had taught them, that they should have been able to imply that God no longer required Gentiles who came into the church to also be circumcised. That, however, did not mean that such was indeed true. If through what the Bible explicitly says and reason we come to the conclusion that something is implied then it is authorized. And we may therefore obey it or not.

Brian Mitchell

Worship Times

Sunday

Bible Class: 9:00 am
AM Worship: 10:00 am
PM Worship: 6:00 pm

Wednesday

Bible Study: 7:00 pm

For the Record

Sunday Class: 89
Sunday AM: 120
Sunday PM: 74
Wednesday PM: 89
Contribution: \$4380
Budget: \$4464

Think on This...

O LORD, you have searched me and known me! You know when I sit down and when I rise up; you discern my thoughts from afar.

Psalms 139:1-2

Celebrating This Week...

Birthdays

Hannah Mitchell: 07.05
Jennifer Huskey: 07.08
Ashlee Garland: 07.09

Serving This Week

Announcements: Larry Dowdy

SUNDAY

Greeters: Terri Bryan

Ushers: Shawn Myers/Justin Simmons

A/V: Ephraim Rains

Lead Singing: Dale Gilliland

Head Lord's Table: Kenny Simmons

Scripture: Francis Ivanovich

Prayers:

AM: Murray Dunn/Jerry Singleton

PM: Nick Brown/Seth Spraggs

WEDNESDAY

Lead Singing: Seth Spraggs

Devo: Bryan McAlister

"Poor in Spirit"

Prayer: Allen Hedge

Elder Chair: Allen Hedge

Communion to Shut-Ins: Scott Spraggs

Worship Organizer: Scott Spraggs

Daily Bible Reading

July 3: Psalms 118-120

July 4: Psalms 121-126

July 5: Psalms 127-131

July 6: Psalms 132-136

July 7: Psalms 137-140

July 8: Psalms 141-146

July 9: Psalms 147-150

Continuing Prayer Needs

****Contact the office with updates****

Marian Allmon

Ginger Avery

Tony Boyd

Mark Blaylock

Thelma Brown

Donna Cox

Bill Dillman

Kelly & Trudy Garland

Juanita Hedge

Tim Hosey

Diana Ivanovich

Betty Jones

Sid Naramore

Carolyn Neese

Wanda Raper

Lena Schweain

Susan Seabaugh

Earl Silvers

Steve Simmons

Lee Simpson

Sarah Singleton

Fred Stoffregen

Kay Stroble

Don Tawney

Mike Turnbow

Lucky Vander

Chris Weaver



Remember in Prayer

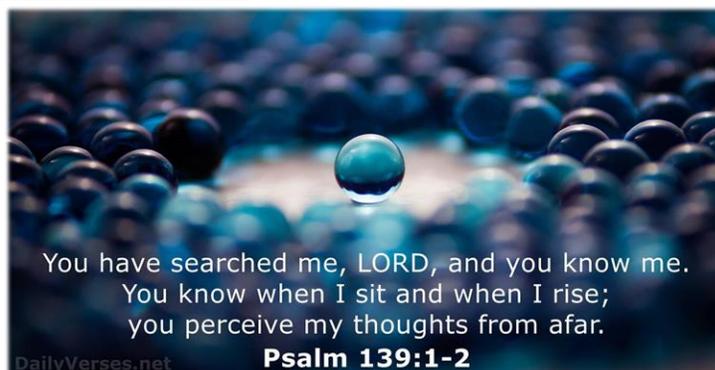
- **Lucky Vander**, Glen Austin's son-in-law is continuing to struggle with colon cancer and has been placed in hospice care.
- **Lesa Gilliland and Beau** were involved in an auto accident last Sunday. They are both bruised and sore but not seriously injured.
- **Lee Simpson** has a pacemaker and defibrillator and is doing well. They are still considering a procedure to repair his valve problem. He is very thankful for all the prayers offered on his behalf.

News & Notes

- Our next **Red Cross Blood Drive** is scheduled for this **Wednesday, July 6** from 2:30-6:30pm. Please sign up to donate (outside Brian's office) or provide snacks (sign-up posted on the bulletin board). As has been the case for quite some time, there is an urgent need for blood. Please give if you can.
- We will have a **Potluck Lunch** on **Sunday, July 10** following morning services. Mark your calendars and make plans to stay for a meal and good time of fellowship.
- All ladies are invited to gather on **August 14** at 2pm in the fellowship room for a baby shower honoring Kayli & Cody Naramore. They are expecting a baby girl in September and are registered at Target and Amazon.
- See **Greg Dowdy** if you would like to have your hearing aids synced with the audio system. We are excited to have this new feature available and hope that it is beneficial as we continue to work out the kinks.
- Please remember that contributions may be made at any time to the **Curtis James Memorial Scholarship Fund**. This scholarship has benefitted many of our youth over the years.

Youth Corner

- **July 10-15:** BYC Week 3
- **July 18:** SYS at Green Forest
- **July 25:** SYS at Dexter
- **August 8:** SYS at Shady Acres
- **August 15:** SYS at Bernie



You have searched me, LORD, and you know me.
You know when I sit and when I rise;
you perceive my thoughts from afar.

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