

Invitation

Welcome everyone. We pray you will be strengthened by your visit with the Brighton Church of Christ. You are not just our guest, but you are welcome and wanted right here. Join our family of imperfect people perfected in by the blood of Jesus. Restrooms are located across the foyer near the front of the auditorium on the upper floor. If you need assistance in any way, ask any member for help.

Mission

The Brighton Church of Christ is a spiritual family with a focus on going to heaven. We are determined to honor God, to strictly follow the teachings of the New Testament, and effectively make that teaching available to the city of Brighton and the surrounding areas.

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Attendance last week:

Sunday am –62
Sunday pm - 30
Wednesday - 23
Contribution-\$3,009.00

Sunday Schedule Morning

Song Leader.....Brett Reitmair
 Opening Prayer.....Andrew Henry
 Lord’s Supper Leader.....Ivan Stewart
 Assistant.....Nolan Peterson
 AssistantErnest Kite
 Assistant.....Coby Mendoza
 Assistant.....Kayden Derbigny
 Scripture Reading.....John Nason

Hebrews 12:1-2

Lesson.....Steven Jaeger
 Closing Prayer.....James Slagle

Sunday Evening

Song Leader.....Brett Reitmair
 Opening Prayer.....Chris Peterson
 Lord’s Supper Leader.....Ivan Stewart
 Lesson.....Ron Jensen
 Closing Prayer.....Jeff Oaks

Wednesday Evening Schedule

Class.....

Service Times

Sundays:
 Morning classes 9:30 am
 Worship 10:30 am
 Evening worship 6:00 pm
 Wednesdays:
 Evening Bible Study 6:30 pm



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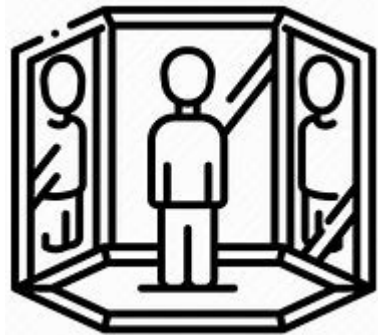
The Image of God

Then God said, “Let us make man in our image, after our likeness...So God created man in his own image, in the image of God he created him; male and female he created them.

Genesis 1:26-27 (ESV)

Distorting mirrors are a popular attraction seen regularly at carnivals and funhouses. Instead of the standard flat glass you have on your bathroom wall, these are made with various curves that warp and disfigure the viewer’s reflection in all kinds of weird ways. The distortions are so exaggerated that it is near impossible to not smile when you see yourself. We don’t get upset by these warped reflections because we know there is something “off” about the mirror, not the one being reflected.

One of the most inspiring passages in scripture is Genesis 1:26-27, which records the most distinctive element of man’s creation over the rest of the animal world. We were created in the image of God. Much has been written on what exactly this means and what the implications are. Yet, one of the simplest ideas is that being made in God’s image means we were made to reflect God, kind of like a mirror. Every human’s life is intended to reproduce the pure character of the one who created us. Sadly, sin’s entrance into the world added a distortion that warps the reflection we give off. While this is tragic enough in its own right, there is yet another consequence we need to ponder.



Unlike the response to funhouse mirrors, where people know the mirror is the cause of the distorted reflection, it is all too common for people to see our dis-

torted reflection of God and say HE is the one who is warped. Paul addressed this with his Jewish readers in *Romans 2:21-24*...

“...you then who teach others, do you not teach yourself? While you preach against stealing, do you steal? You who say that one must not commit adultery, do you commit adultery? You who abhor idols, do you rob temples? You who boast in the law dishonor God by breaking the law. For, as it is written, ‘The name of God is blasphemed among the Gentiles because of you.’”

The truth is that if people do not see God properly reflected in us, the issue is not with God...it is with the mirror. We must be conscientious of how we live our lives, not just for our own benefit, but for the sake of the One who made us. Our character, ethics, and actions all communicate an image of who God is. Though he never changes, our reflection of him can. May God’s grace and mercy transform us every day to be his undistorted image to a lost world.

Mt. Carmel church of Christ, Athens, AL

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Announcements

Prayers



Bill Adams had a surgery a few days ago. Please pray for him and they thank you for all the prayers, visits, and encouragement.

Margie Stewart is home and doing well.

Sam Dunham: Keep the whole family in prayer as they deal with his cancer.

Cynthia Nickels requesting prayers for a successful surgery on June 26th.

Prayers for the work in **India**. Pray for the health and strength of the fellow Christian workers who spread the Gospel.

Continued Prayers

Harold Price, Sherry Derbigny’s Dad-health challenges

Jane Hanavan-heart issues

Tim Parker– headaches from concussion

News and Notes

Graduation Celebration

Tonight after evening service there will be drinks and cake to acknowledge the Bear Valley graduates. Please plan to attend to support these two graduates in their new work.

BRIGHTON SUMMERFEST

Our congregation is manning a booth at the Summerfest again this year. It is on Saturday, **June, 1st**, at Carmichael Park. If anyone at all can help to man the booth, Mark Thacker would be grateful. Please let him know if you are able to help and what times you can cover.



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CHILDREN'S HOME

Summer Food Drive

It is time to start gathering items for the children’s home. If we all pick up one item for them each time we shop it will help greatly. Listed below are the items they really need. A full list is on their table in the foyer.

Canned chicken, canned tuna in water, canned fruit, noodles, fruit snacks, Nutella, individual snack chips, feminine tampons, dishwasher detergent/pods, carpet shampoo, No foam paper plates.

Graduation Celebration



Today right after morning service we will have a celebration meal in honor of our graduates. Sandwiches, cake, and drinks are provided. Please bring a side dish to share.

