



Coffeeville First Baptist Church
By
Craig Baker,
Pastor

I shared with you last week that the theme of our Vacation Bible School (VBS) this year was John 8:12 where Jesus proclaimed that He is the light of the world, and those who follow Him will not walk in darkness but have the light of life. Over the next couple of weeks, we will consider what Jesus being the light of the world means for us. This week we will look at a verse that is perhaps the most well-known in all the Bible. That verse is John 3:16.

Before we consider John 3:16 and the verses that follow, we need to know what brought Jesus to say those things. In John 3, Jesus was talking to Nicodemus. Nicodemus was a Pharisee of the highest order. He believed that two things would get him into Heaven, the way he lived his life and his heritage. Nicodemus had heard Jesus teach and witnessed the signs He performed and realized there was something special about Jesus, so he snuck out into the night to speak with Jesus privately. In response to Nicodemus' questions about how Jesus could do the things He was doing, Jesus declared to Nicodemus that to enter the kingdom of God a man must be born again. This seems to have really puzzled Nicodemus as it would have any of us. How could a grown man be born again? He cannot enter his mother's womb again. The problem was Nicodemus was thinking of the impossibility of a physical rebirth

while Jesus was talking about a spiritual rebirth. You see we are all sinners. We cannot help it we are born that way. It is difficult for us to admit that we are sinners, but consider this, did anyone have to teach you how to lie or gossip? Did anyone have to teach you how to be greedy or envious? Did anyone have to teach you how to put something in your life, such as work or family or wealth, before God? These are all sins against God, plainly written out in the Ten Commandments. Romans 3:23 tells us, "For all have sinned and fall short of the glory of God."

That raises the question, "How do we experience spiritual rebirth" which brings us back to John 3:16. John 3:16 is a verse that is familiar ground for most of us. It is the first verse that many of us learned as a child. As kids we delight in John 3:16 and the greatness of God's love and the eternal life that it proclaims, but I am afraid that as we grow older, our delight over those great words grows dim. When was the last time you stopped to really consider God's love for you? There is no greater summary of God's love than that which is found in John 3:16. However, there is no greater summary of the fate of those who reject His love than in the verses that follow particularly John 3:36. Verse 36 states, "He who believes in the Son has everlasting life; and he who does not believe the Son shall not see life, but the wrath of God abides on him." God sent His Son into the world to save

the world, but this does not mean that everyone is automatically saved. There are many who will refuse to believe and will reject or have rejected Jesus. Some are so ashamed of their sin that they do not want to bring them before God. Others think their sin is so awful that God cannot forgive them. Others are too worried about what other people will think. Others are so prideful that they will not admit there is sin in their lives or that they need a Savior.

Verse 36 makes it clear that the unbeliever's judgment is sure. Ignoring, denying, or being too prideful to admit they are a sinner in need of saving will not change the terrible fate of those who reject Jesus. God loves extends to all, and He does not wish for anyone to perish. "For God so loved the world that He gave His only begotten Son, that whoever believes in Him should not perish but have everlasting life." John 3 places a decision before us, choose life in Jesus or death in sin. Which will you choose?



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NOTICE OF SUBSTITUTE TRUSTEE'S SALE
STATE OF MISSISSIPPI
COUNTY OF 1ST DISTRICT YALOBUSHA
WHEREAS, default has occurred in the performance of the covenants, terms and conditions of a Deed of Trust dated December 6, 1984, executed by ROBERTA L. JACKSON conveying certain real property therein described to WILLIAM A. WILSON, as Trustee, for UNITED STATES OF AMERICA, ACTING THROUGH THE FARMERS HOME ADMINISTRATION, UNITED STATES DEPARTMENT OF AGRICULTURE, Original Beneficiary, to secure the indebtedness therein described, as same appears of record in the Office of the Chancery Clerk of 1st District Yalobusha County, Mississippi filed and recorded December 6, 1984, in Book 83, Page 389; and

WHEREAS, the beneficial interest of said Deed of Trust was transferred and assigned to UNITED STATES OF AMERICA, ACTING THROUGH THE UNITED STATES DEPARTMENT OF AGRICULTURE RURAL HOUSING SERVICE (RHS) OR SUCCESSOR AGENCY, FORMERLY FARMERS HOME ADMINISTRATION; and WHEREAS, Rubin Lublin, LLC has been appointed as Substitute Trustee; and

NOW, THEREFORE, the holder of said Deed of Trust, having requested the undersigned so to do, as Substitute Trustee or his duly appointed agent, by virtue of the power, duty and authority vested and imposed upon said Substitute Trustee shall, on June 18, 2026 within the lawful hours of sale between 11:00AM and 4:00PM at the north door of the Courthouse proceed to sell at public outcry to the highest and best bidder for cash or certified funds

ONLY, the following described property situated in 1st District Yalobusha County, Mississippi, to wit:

THE FOLLOWING DESCRIBED PROPERTY LOCATED IN THE COUNTY OF YALOBUSHA, MISSISSIPPI: BEGINNING ON THE EAST-WEST MID-SECTION LINE AT A POINT LOCATED 1100.46 FEET EAST OF THE MIDDLE OF THE E1/2 OF SECTION 18, TOWNSHIP 24 NORTH, RANGE 6 EAST, FIRST JUDICIAL DISTRICT, YALOBUSHA COUNTY, MISSISSIPPI RUN THENCE N00°03' W A DISTANCE OF 512.49 FEET TO THE SOUTH BOUNDARY OF A CERTAIN GRAVEL ROAD; THENCE RUN ALONG THE SOUTH BOUNDARY OF THE SAID ROAD AS FOLLOWS: S44°56' W, FOR 82.44 FEET; S40°04' W, FOR 99.24 FEET; S41°36' W, FOR 7.48 FEET; THENCE RUN SOUTH, 372.69 FT. TO THE U.S.E.D. PROPERTY LINE; THENCE N89°57' E ALONG SAID PROPERTY LINE 127.5 FT. TO THE POINT OF BEGINNING INCLOSING 1.3 ACRES MORE OR LESS IN THE NE1/4 OF THE SAID SECTION 18.

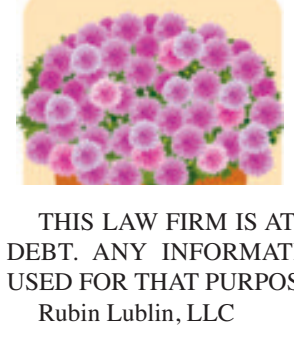
PROPERTY ADDRESS: The street address of the property is believed to be 357 COUNTY ROAD 184, COFFEEVILLE, MS 38922. In the event of any discrepancy between this street address and the legal description of the property, the legal description shall control.

Title to the above described property is believed to be good, but I will convey only such title as is vested in me as Substitute Trustee. The sale will be conducted subject (1) to confirmation that the sale is not prohibited under the U.S. Bankruptcy Code (2) to final confirmation and audit of the status of the loan with the holder of the Security Deed, and (3) purchaser's tendering to Rubin Lublin, LLC, anti-money laundering information as required pursuant to the FinCEN Real Estate Report Rule. Failure to provide information, could result in rescission of the sale.

Persimmon Hill M.B. Church

Persimmon Hill M.B. Church would like to invite you to our annual Vacation Bible School June 15-19 at 7:00 nightly. The theme is Hooked, Reeled In To Serve God. The adult instructor will be Pastor George Forrest of Rocky Mountain M.B. Church of Water Valley. We are looking forward to seeing your church family and everyone is invited to attend.

Thanking you in advance,
Persimmon Hill M.B. Church
Pastor Andrew Fluker
Secretary Sis. Gwen Herron



THIS LAW FIRM IS ATTEMPTING TO COLLECT A DEBT. ANY INFORMATION OBTAINED WILL BE USED FOR THAT PURPOSE.
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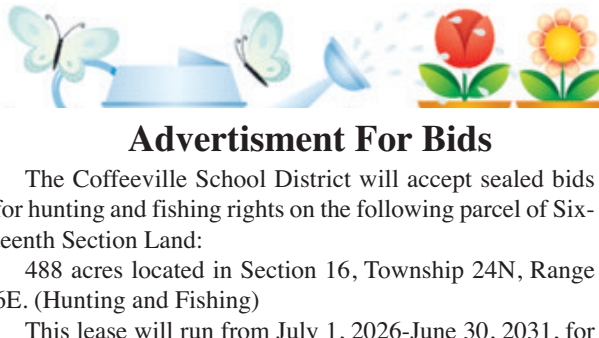
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Advertisement For Bids

The Coffeeville School District will accept sealed bids for hunting and fishing rights on the following parcel of Sixteenth Section Land:
488 acres located in Section 16, Township 24N, Range 6E. (Hunting and Fishing)
This lease will run from July 1, 2026-June 30, 2031, for a period of 5 years. Lessee is responsible for filing fees, taxes, and maintenance on the property. Minimum bid on the property is \$4,842.00 per year.
Bids will be accepted in the Office of the Superintendent until 3:00 p.m., Monday June 15, 2026.
For more informaion, contact Calvin Hawkins 662-675-8941, ext. 1040, 96 Mississippi Street, Coffeeville, Ms 38922.
The Board reserves the right to reject any/or all bids.
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