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During the Saturday double-header televised baseball games of the 1970s, the network showed video clips of controversial plays. Before the umpire actually made the call, the video stopped and challenged the viewer with, "You make the call." After the commercial break and before the game resumed, they returned to the video and explained the proper call, and you were able to test your knowledge of the rules. My rules of the game knowledge was never very good.

The Major League rulebook contains about 71 rules; conversely the Little League rulebook holds 111. Every game has rules, and in order to avoid chaos and an unfair advantage, the rules are written down, explained and published so that everyone knows the framework by which the game is played. No one wants to play a game where rules are fluid and are arbitrarily changed just to give an advantage to one player or team.

Baseball, unlike any other game or sport, has a series of "unwritten rules" to help guide the play of the game. According to one website, at least twenty-five of these rules exist. Some of these rules include: don't steal third base with two outs; if a pitcher hits a teammate, hit one of theirs; no showing up or bat flipping for a home run (refer to previous rule). At least twenty-five of these so-called rules exist, and my guess is that the list will get longer not shorter with time. Baseball isn't the only group to have rules run amok.

According to some sources, the Jewish religious leaders in the first century had calculated that the Law contained over 600 rules. To top it off, they quickly debated among themselves the most important rules to obey. Thus, when Jesus was asked about the greatest commandment (Mt. 22:34-40; Mk. 12:28-34), they were inviting him into a current discussion/debate. While one may marvel at their penchant for numbering commands, it was their Unwritten Rules that exposed their hypocrisy.

I've read a number examples of the rules that were enforced in order to protect the Israelites from breaking the commands. They decided a specific distance was safe enough before breaking the 4th Commandment. They also refused to eat eggs that chickens laid on the Sabbath, because the chickens "worked" to lay the eggs. Of course we can quickly see their flawed thinking, and even mock them, because noting others' legalism is easier than noticing our own tendencies. They were man-made. They were fluid and could easily be changed. They became more important than keeping the Law itself. They were the Unwritten Rules.

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For our national leaders and world leaders as they lead their respective nations

For our nation

For our troops in Afghanistan, Bosnia, Korea, Iraq, Liberia, Haiti, and other places.

For those who are being martyred and persecuted for Christ in our own time.

For the church in Siliguri and Naresh

Chhetri and Ashok Basfor

For the churches in Honduras and Haiti who partner with us in the gospel

Prayers For Sunshine Family

Alan Graff Chemo treatments have been discontinued. Home recovering from his most recent hospital visit.

Garnet Lindeman is in need of prayers. She is not doing well. Prayers for Garnet and family.

Bill Gammon is home recuperating from heart by-pass surgery. Continued prayers.

Judi Allison is home and still recovering. Continued prayers for Chuck and Judi.

Cheryl Lemon is home now. Continued prayers.

Helen Creech prayers for ongoing strength.

Gene Crisp has been moved to River Bend House: 900 Pirate Dr, Wheelersburg, OH 45694. Continued prayers.

Merritt Hayward Struggling with health. Prayers for Merritt and his family.

Prayer Requests

Bonnie Grashel (Kathy Gampp and Terry Grashel's Mother) has been diagnosed with colon cancer. Prayers for Bonnie.

Rosie Williams (niece to Buddy Mefford) will be having surgery tomorrow, August 7th. Prayers for Rosie.



8/7-12 Scioto County Fair
9/29 Deep Love Marriage Enrichment Event
9/29-30 Youth Work Camp

Sunshine Church Service Info

Anonymous Prayer Request Hotline:
Text **94706** & your request to the phone # **22333**

Sunday Morning Live Streaming: <http://media.sunshine-church.com> or <http://sunshinecofc.sermon.net>

Welcome To All of Our Guests

We give a special welcome to all of our guests today. If this is your first time to visit with us this year, please stop by the Welcome Center in the foyer at the conclusion of services, sign our guest register and pick up your gift for being one of our guests today.

Gluten Free Communion Available

We have gluten free communion available for anyone who needs it. It can be found at the Welcome Center. You can simply pick it up before the services or on your way into the auditorium.

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Deacons Meeting

On Sunday evening, August 13, there will be a deacons meeting.

2017-2018 School Year

We have many students and school staff that will be returning to school in a couple of weeks. Prayers for a successful school year and for the students and staff. Thank you!

Deep Love Marriage Enrichment Event

Mark your calendars for a marriage enrichment simulcast event that Sunshine is offering on Friday, September 29. More information to follow soon.

Tyler Meredith's Moving To Texas

This will be Tyler's last week at Sunshine for a while due to moving to Lubbock, Texas for schooling at Sunset Bible Institute. He will be in the AIM (Adventures In Missions) program beginning on August 12th. He will be training in Bible and missions for 8 months and then he will go to the mission field for 18 months. His family would appreciate prayers for safe travels and for God to do many great things through him.

Reminder: Sunshine Directory Online

Just a reminder, if you have a smart phone or tablet, check out the online version of the directory at :

<https://airtable.com/shrIMnuQuSTPXwBu>

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Two passages come to my mind concerning these Unwritten Rules. First, when Jesus was asked about the greatest commandment, he focused on Deuteronomy 6:4-5, "loving God with all our heart, soul, mind and strength," and Leviticus 19:18, "loving our neighbors as ourselves" (Mt. 12:29-31). Secondly, when he uttered the seven woes against the Pharisees and teachers of the Law, he told them they should have spent more time focusing on the more important points of the Law: justice, mercy and faithfulness without ignoring the other matters (Mt. 23:23).

Without creating another set of rules it seems Jesus' challenging words are clear enough. Keep loving God and each other a priority. Start investing in justice, mercy and faithfulness. Stop creating Unwritten Rules, because keeping the first two challenges are hard enough.

Soli Deo Gloria!!

Family Bible Time

Week 32:

Aug. 6—Lesson 63 Exodus 15

Aug. 9—Lesson 64 text Exodus 16

Discussion Questions for Families:

1. What did the Israelites do once they crossed the Red Sea?
2. When the Israelites complained in the wilderness about a lack of food-what happened?
3. How long could manna be kept?

Week 33 Text:

Exodus 17 & 18

Bible Knowledge For August

Name the 10 plagues that were inflicted on the Egyptians.



Those Who Serve

<u>Sun. Morning</u>	<u>8/6/2017</u>	<u>8/13/2017</u>	<u>8/20/2017</u>
Welcome	Wayne Gampp	Tom Kelley	Shaun McCray
Reading	Roger Cooper	Dewey Cordle	Josh Coriell
Midservice Prayer	Jared McCray	Tyler Meredith	Eric Meredith
Communion	Eric Miller	Eugene Risner	Mark Risner
Sermon	Jon Partlow	Jon Partlow	Jon Partlow
Closing Prayer	Spike Ferrell	Gabe Coriell	Zach Coriell
<u>Sun. Evening</u>	<u>8/6/2017</u>	<u>8/13/2017</u>	<u>8/20/2017</u>
Song Leader	Greg Ferrell	Shawn Gragg	Matthew Hoskins
Reading	Mark Risner	Joel Shepherd	Sam Williams
Communion	Ryan Coriell	Garin Everett	Jimmy Forbes
Assist	Adam Cordle	Connor Jacobs	James Hallam
Prayer	Greg Shepherd	Jeff Vanatta	Shaun Young
<u>Wed. Evening</u>	<u>8/9/2017</u>	<u>8/16/2017</u>	<u>8/23/2017</u>
Song Leader	Mark Gampp	Aaron McCray	Caleb Miller
Prayer	Mike Gampp	Wayne Gampp	Shawn Gragg

Regular Service Times

Sunday

Early Worship - 8:15 am

Late Worship - 10:00 am

Bible Study - 6:30 p.m.

Wednesday

Bible Study - 7:30 p.m.

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