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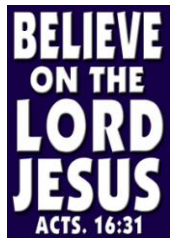
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LORD WILLING, WBC WILL PREACH THE GOSPEL TO THOSE ATTENDING THE JOHN MELLENCAMP CONCERT MORTON AMPHITHEATER, 6150 NW MUSIC BOULEVARD, RIVERSIDE, MO MONDAY, JULY 13TH; FROM 7:00-8:00 PM



A question is often put to us as we stand outside the entertainment venues of this country that goes something like this: "Really? You're outside of <Insert Entertainer's Name Here>? What makes them so special?" It's a fine question, though the ever-present mocking tone doesn't set the stage well for civil discourse. And the answer is held in the teeth of these verses from Proverbs:



"Wisdom crieth without; she uttereth her voice in the streets: She crieth in the chief place of concourse, in the openings of the gates: in the city she uttereth her words, saying, How long, ye simple ones, will ye love simplicity? and the scorers delight in their scorning, and fools hate knowledge?" (Proverbs 1:20-22)

Even if Dave Mathews Band were the most pious, God-fearing rock band on planet Earth we, as Christians, would have the same duty towards them given from Christ our King:

"And he said unto them, Go ye into all the world, and preach the gospel to every creature. He that believeth and is baptized shall be saved; but he that believeth not shall be damned." (Matthew 16:15-16)

And so, we aim to stand in the chief place of concourse outside the newly minted Morton Amphitheatre with the aim that the Gospel of our Lord be preached to as many eyes that would see it and ears that would hear it – and he that has been given ears to hear, let him hear!

The time is short! The coming of our Lord draws ever nearer, so set your affections on things above and not on things of this Earth!

"Lay not up for yourselves treasures upon earth, where moth and rust doth corrupt, and where thieves break through and steal: But lay up for yourselves treasures in heaven, where neither moth nor rust doth corrupt, and where thieves do not break through nor steal: For where your treasure is, there will your heart be also." (Matthew 6:19-21)