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Seeing Self Through The Eyes of Others



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The term “modesty” is defined as: “The quality or state of being modest; specifically (a) unassuming or humble behavior (b) lack of excesses or pretensions; moderation (c) decency, decorum” (Webster’s New World Dict.).

The term is seldom heard and the subject avoided. It is a power word that makes people uncomfortable because it tends to curb life-styles. Some conjecture that the standards and commands found in the scripture cannot be relevant or bound today because of changing times. It is just as relevant today as the content of Acts 2:38.

Paul’s take on the subject is, “*In like manner also, that the women adorn themselves in modest apparel, with propriety and moderation, not with braided hair, or gold, or pearls, or costly clothing, but, which is proper for women professing godliness, with good works*” (1 Tim. 2:9-10). Vines’ Dictionary indicates that it is not just apparel, but “decorous, well-ordered” of dress, demeanor, inner life, and outward conversation. It is thought that he singled out women because of the sexual difference between men and women. A partially clad woman triggers lustful looks and appetites in men, causing a woman to be as guilty as the man (Mt. 5:27-28).

Peter encouraged wives to be in subjection to their husbands so as to win their husbands without the word, but by their conversation (behavior). He appeals for an inner adornment (1 Pet. 3:1-4). Peter is saying that modesty, true spiritual beauty, godliness, and good works characterize God’s type of woman.

Paul again charged brethren to “*present your bodies a living sacrifice, holy, acceptable unto God, which is your reasonable service*” (Rom. 12:1-2). This occurs when the inner man conforms to the will of God. Though the world in which we live dresses scantily, Christians are to “*abstain from every form of evil*” (1 Thess. 5:22). We are to “*come out from among them, and be separate...and I will receive you*” (2 Cor. 6:17). We are not to love the world but be separate from it (1 Jn. 2:15-17).

The male is not exempt from being modest, but realize his body is the “*temple of the Holy Spirit,*” “*bought at a price,*” and is to “*glorify God*” in his body (1 Cor. 6:19-20). Husbands and fathers should dress modestly and encourage both wives and children to dress appropriately as well.

That's The Church For You!

Neal Pollard

- Where you can build relationships with some of the finest, most enjoyable people on earth.
- Where the world gets smaller and mutual connections are usually a conversation away.
- Where God's Word is honored and imperfect people try to follow it.
- Where Christ is at the heart of every idea, program, and plan, but also every class period and worship assembly.
- Where you connect with people throughout the week, from thoughts and prayers to cards, calls, messages, and visits.
- Where hope is always vibrant whatever in the world is happening, where joy is always possible however gloomy the forecast.
- Where there's always room for more members to be added to the family.
- Where young and old, rich and poor, educated and uneducated blend together in a harmony that cannot be found anywhere else on earth.
- Where we literally get a foretaste of glory divine.
- Where you feel a part of something so truly profound in purpose and exciting in destiny that sometimes you have to pinch yourself to make sure it's real. And it is!
- Where you have clarity and grounding in the midst of chaos and confusion.
- Where you have heritage and history, but just as much hope and hankering.
- Where truth is honored, and the way, though difficult, is clear.

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Children's Remarks – Children mean really well, don't they?

A little girl was sitting on her grandfather's lap as he read her a bedtime story. From time to time, she would take her eyes off the book and reach up to touch his wrinkled cheek. She was alternately stroking her own cheek, then his again. Finally she spoke up, "Grandpa, did God make you?" "Yes, sweetheart," he answered, "God made me a long time ago." "Oh," she paused, "Grandpa, did God make me too?" "Yes, indeed, honey," he said, "God made you just a little while ago." Feeling their respective faces again, she observed, "God's getting better at it, isn't he?"



AREA EVENTS

- The Booneville Church of Christ will host a Creation/Evolution Seminar April 22nd-24th with *Brad Harrub*, Ph.D, as the guest speaker. Check the bulletin board for more details.
- A Ladies' Day is planned for Sat. April 23rd at the East Main Church of Christ in Tupelo. Registration begins at 9:00am. Lunch will be provided.
- Tiplersville Church of Christ will have a Gospel Meeting April 24th-26th, with *Mike Eaton*, minister of the Camden Church of Christ as their guest speaker. Please check the bulletin board for times.
- Ripley Church of Christ will host "Spring Sing" sat. April 30th, 10 -1:00pm. Lunch served at 12:00pm.
- Farley's Chapel church of Christ in Corinth, MS, will host "Purity Day" for young ladies and their mothers Sat., May 7th, beginning at 9:00am. The guest speakers will be *Cindy Colley & Hannah Giselbach*. Lunch will be provided. Please RSVP by April 30th.
- You are invited to: Youth Day at the Ripley Church of Christ May 14th beginning at 9:00am. Subjects considered are: 1) Creation Makes Sense, 2) Evolution Exposed, 3) Dinosaurs: Poster Children of Evolution. The guest speaker will be *Eric Lyons* of Wetumpka, AL.

PRAYER LIST



Katie Griggs, granddaughter of Ronnie and Linda Griggs had surgery Mon., April 11th, to remove cancerous lymph nodes. Her surgery went well and they were able to get all the cancer. She will be taking some radiation treatments.

Earnestine Dye, mother of Tim Dye was to have back surgery this week in TN.

Sympathy:

*We express our sympathy to Novene Robertson in the death of her aunt, Trenie Jones of Booneville. Funeral services were held Mon. April 18th, at Jones Chapel, in Booneville, MS.

*We express our sympathy to Troy Robertson in the death of his nephew Michael Shaw of Coffeeville, who was killed in an automobile accident Sunday night. Arrangements are not known at this time.

*We express our sympathy to the family and friends of Rosemary Ward who passed away Monday at her home in Ripley. She was a member of the Beech Hill congregation. Her funeral will be Wed. in Ripley, MS.

* We express our sympathy to Mable Erwin in the death of her sister, Velma South of Selma AL. Mrs. South passed away Mon. morning, April 18th. Her funeral will be Wed., in Selma, AL.

Continue to Remember:

Ray Camp, Amy Chapman, Wade Chism David Crossings, Roy Crow, Jackie Dodd, Gene Dowdy, Kevin Flowers, Preeble Foster, Ray Franks, J.T. Gaines, J.C. Garner, Sonny Gay, Pam Hall, Donna Haynes, Phillip Haynes, Dianna Hodges, Shane Hutton, Judy Kirk, Bobby Marques, Lonnie Parker, Nancy Petrowski, Barbara Rains, Carl Smith, Anna Claire Stokes, B.A. Stubblefield, Yolanda Stubblefield, Sheila Thomas, Judy Ward, Nicki Weaver, Eudell Wilson, Chris Windham, Tommy Young.

Shut-Ins:

Teresa Clark, Linda Griggs, Billy Joe Garner, Claudia Senter

Nursing Home/Assisted Living:

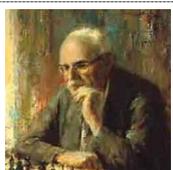
Grace Anderson, Wanda DeLoach, Perrin & Jean Drummond, Laura Mae Harris, Cornelia Kennedy, Betty Lang, Mayna Senter, Miriam Styers, Terry Young

Military List:

Tiffany Erwin, Derek Bradley, Kevin Bradley

I've Learned...

There are no hopeless situations. There are only men who have grown hopeless in them.



HAPPY BIRTHDAY



- April 26.Austin Garrett
April 29. Lana Todd
April 30. Jamie Crowe

HAPPY ANNIVERSARY

- April 28.Larry & Linda Ashmore
April 29. Harold & Deloris Crowe



THANK YOU

I would like to thank you for the kind words when my mother passed away. Also, thank you for the letter and booklet that you sent. Also, I sure did appreciate the visits at the funeral home, and cards from the church members. Thank you,

Sissy & Chris Bullock

VBS

The VBS meeting that was scheduled for this past Sunday, was rescheduled for Sun. April 24th, in room 12, following the morning worship service. Everyone's help is needed. Please show your support for our young people as well as other children in the community by helping make this years' VBS a huge success. If you have any questions please see Brad or April Pounders.



What Must I Do To Be Saved?

- 1. Hear the Gospel (Romans 10: 13-17).
2. Believe the Gospel (Acts 15:7; Mark 16:15, 16)
3. Repent of Sins (Acts 3:19)
4. Confess Faith in Christ (Acts 8:37)
5. Be Baptized for the Remission of Sins (Acts 2:38)
6. Be Faithful (Revelation 2:10)

"The family, through God's eyes, as SEEN in 2016!"



SCHEDULE OF SERVICES

Sunday School.....9:30
 Morning Worship.....10:30
 Evening Worship.....6:00
 Wednesday Bible Study....7:00

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 Randy Wall 316-9255
 Lonnie Weaver801-8448

TO SERVE

Scripture.....Olen Clark
 A.M. Prayer.....Randy Wall
 Closing Prayer.....Matt Jennings
 P.M. Prayer.....Paul Ormon
 ClosingSteve Todd
 Wed.4/27.....Richard Adams
 Wed.4/27.....Bobby Marques
 Usher & Lock.....Randy Wall
 Greeter.....T & N Robertson

OUR RECORD

Sunday School.....NA
 Sunday A.M.....141
 Sunday P. M.....124
 Wednesday.....106
 Contribution.....\$6,291.40
 Budget.....\$4,037.54



PANTRY ITEMS

Crackers

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Finding The Gift In Bad Days

We all have days from time to time when it feels like the world is against us or that the chaos we are experiencing will never end. One negative circumstance seems to lead to another. You may wonder, on a bad day, whether anything in your life will ever go right again. But a bad day, like any other day, can be a gift. Having a bad day can show you that it is time to slow down, change course, or lighten up. A bad day can help you glean wisdom you might otherwise have overlooked or discounted. Bad days can certainly cause you to experience uncomfortable feelings you would prefer to avoid, yet a bad day may also give you a potent means to learn about yourself.

You may consider a bad day to be one where you're missing an important meeting because your car stalled, the dryer broke, and you received a piece of very bad news earlier in the morning. Multiple misfortunes that take place one after the other can leave us feeling vulnerable and intensely cognizant of our fragility. But bad days can only have a long-term negative effect on us if we let them. It is better to ask yourself what you can learn from these kinds of days. The state of your bad day may be an indicator that you need to stay in and hibernate or let go of your growing negativity.

Bad days contribute to the people we become. Though we may feel discouraged and distressed on our bad days, a bad day can teach us patience and perseverance. It is important to remember that your attitude drives your destiny and that one negative experience does not have to be the beginning of an ongoing stroke of bad luck. A bad day is memorable because it is one day among many good days otherwise, we wouldn't even bother to acknowledge it as a bad day. Know too, that everybody has bad days, you are not alone, the world is not against you. Tomorrow is guaranteed to be a brighter day!