



THE INFORMER

Church of Christ ~ New Albany, Mississippi

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October 23 2022

Goodness Is Not Good Enough

Tim Dooley

SCHEDULE OF SERVICES

Sunday School..... 9:30
Morning Worship.....10:30
Afternoon Worship.....1:15
Wednesday Bible Study.....6:30

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Special Days, Security
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In Matthew chapter 25 Jesus tells us a parable, describing the kingdom, using ten virgins to illustrate our need to be prepared. In verse two he states that, "*five of them were wise, and five were foolish.*" We should want to live our lives in such a manner as to have Christ recognize us as being wise, shouldn't we? Then let us learn some things from the five foolish virgins and make the necessary applications to our lives.

First, one can be formal in his service to God without being righteous. The condemnation of Christ toward the scribes and the Pharisees was not because of "legalism" but hypocrisy. God never condemns adherence to his will, in fact he demands it (Hebrews 5:8-9; John 14:15). What God condemns is saying and not doing (Matthew 23:3). Jesus said they forgot to combine their service with the proper spirit (Matthew 23:23). To render worship and service to God without the proper heart will lead to God's condemnation.

Secondly, notice that these women were pure. They were of good moral character and suitable for marriage. But morality alone will not make one wise in the eyes of the Lord. This world is filled with good, moral people who will be lost for eternity because they didn't find it necessary to pursue godliness. Paul wrote that Christians ought to exercise themselves and follow after godliness (1 Timothy 4:7; 6:11). It is through the Word that we learn how we ought to live godly in this world (Titus 2:11-12). To follow the world's standard for goodness and morality without searching to live godly according to His will is foolish.

I once heard of a flyer that was announcing the coming of a man to a local fair who could quote the entire Bible. One might think that such a man would certainly be a Christian. But, I have known many men who knew what the Bible said and had great knowledge but failed in their obedience. Unfortunately, there are many who have, even in the Church, a great knowledge of God's Word, but fail in making a proper application. If one fails to be diligent in searching the scriptures and making application he will certainly be called a fool by God.

Lastly, let us be aware that enthusiasm is a foolish man's road to destruction while the wise man will follow the path of persistence. Now I am not saying that we shouldn't be zealous about our Christian lives, we should! But enthusiasm will wane at times and it is persistence that will make us wise when we stand before God in judgment. So, we must ask ourselves have we been persistent in our Christianity?

Now, let's take a moment and consider where we stand with God right now. Is there a need to repent and serve God with a proper heart? Should we be converted again and seek godliness and not merely goodness? Do I need to begin applying God's Word to my life in humble obedience? Have I relied on enthusiasm and not persistence to get me through? If my life ended today would God see me as wise or foolish? God loves you and wants you to make the right decision.



Dooley noted....

"When I come to realize the remarkable love of God, I will stop seeking my own pleasure, and I will seek to please Him, knowing that this will bring an inconceivable peace to my life that apart from Him can never be known." – Tim



PRAYER LIST

Alice Ashmore is in the local hospital rehab having fallen this past Saturday and cracked her collarbone and pelvic bone.

Dex Crotts was taken to the ER on Monday due to severe abdominal pain. He is at home and feeling better.

Tonya Dillard had a nerve block on her neck Friday.

Arelus Dye is now at home, after being admitted to New Albany Hospital Wednesday night due to high fever, & low stats.

Ernestine Dye is in SICU in Corinth with test being run due to irregular heart pattern.

Tony Erwin, brother of Shelley Adams and Maria Ormon, remains in the Oxford hospital being treated for an infection.

Bill Frohn is at home recuperating from back surgery, he is still in severe pain.

Georgia Hancock, 86-year-old grandmother of Dawn Stroupe, has been diagnosed with covid.

Cayde Miller, infant son of Conner & Halley Miller, was admitted to Tupelo Hospital on Thursday for testing.

Landon Roe, grandson of Tina Montgomery, had a 2nd mass removed from his brain on Friday 21st at Le Bonheur.

We have several with flu, etc.: Alyce Jennings, Jadi Rogers, Cayden Rogers.

CONTINUE TO REMEMBER:

Shane Crotts, Grace Crotts, Arelus & Ernestine Dye, Majean Dillard (mother of Dean Dillard), **Tonya Dillard, Prebble Foster** (friend of the Carpenters'), **Carol Hood, Martin Hurd** (brother of Betty Adams), **Alfred Jones** (brother of Perry Jones), **Brenda Jones** (mother of Kathy Dye), **Betty McNeely** (sister of Richard Jennings), **Corey Politte, Randy Reeder** (son of Grace Lyon), **Novene Robertson, Kathy Swanson** (sister of Michael Dillard), **Ansley Thompson, Donnie Wilson** (brother of Gloria Jones), **Wade Davis/Andy & Sharon Clemmer Family.**

Shut-Ins: J. L. Eaton, Linda Griggs, Kathy Dye, Joe Reed

Nursing Home: Joe Downs, Lucille Gibson, Sue Stroud, Sue Marques, Bobbi Jean BoBo

Military List: Derek Bradley, Anderson Parks

AREA EVENTS

The Ripley Church of Christ invites you to their Gospel Meeting October 23rd-26th with *Barry Grider* as guest speaker.

CHURCH HAPPENINGS/ MARK YOUR CALENDAR

- **October 25th** Ladies Bible Study @ 10:00 a.m. in the annex building. We will go to lunch following class.
- **October 30th** Trunk-or-Treat @ 4:00 p.m. at "Phil's Shed" at Phil & Paige Young's. Sign-up sheet in the foyer.
- **November 6th** 1st Sunday fellowship meal.
- **November 8th** Ladies Bible Study @ 10:00 a.m. in the annex building. Guest Speaker: Andrea Hill
- **November 13th** Elders/Deacons/Ministers meet @ 8:15 a.m.
- **November 13th** New Albany will host the **Area Wide Youth Meet.**
- **November 17th** Men's Ministry will meet @ 7:00 p.m. in the annex building.
- **November 20th** Elders & Ministers meet @ 8:15 a.m.
- **November 20th** Junior Bible Bowl at East Main Church of Christ @ 3:00. Questions are on the table in the foyer.
- **November 27th** Deacons Meeting @ 8:30 a.m.
- **November 27th** Youth Devo hosted by Tim & Colleen Dooley
- **November 30th** 5th Wednesday Night Singing.
- **February 23-26, 2023** CYC Pigeon Forge, TN sign-up sheet in the foyer. Please sign if you plan to attend or ride the van.



HAPPY BIRTHDAY



October 27thMark Jennings

October 28th.....Peyton Coggin

October 29thPhil Young

October 31st.....Steve Todd

HAPPY ANNIVERSARY

October 26th.....*Andy & Victoria Brown*

October 27th.....*Jason & Amy Jennings*

The "Savior's Secret Service" Prayer



Week 8: Shut-ins/Widows/Disabled

TODAY'S CHURCH EVENT

Youth Devo hosted by
Mike & Janice Brown

ELDERS NOTICE

Our Wednesday night "Thanksgiving Service" will be held on **Tuesday** night November 22nd. Please make plans to join us in an hour of worship and prayer.

OPPORTUNITIES TO SERVE

- Ukraine "Buckets of Blessings" (Kurt)
- Food items for children at Myrtle School (Kurt)
- Supplies for Pine Vale Children's Home (Kurt)
- Snack bags and activity books for dialysis center (Brian, Matt, Shane)
- Food items for children at local schools (Brian, Matt, Shane)
- Provide bags for foster children (Brian, Matt, Shane).
- Provide hygiene products for students. (Kevin)
- Caring for our church family (Kevin)
- Assist our elderly and shut-ins (Kevin)

AM SERMON OUTLINE

Things That Hinder

Galatians 5:6-7

Tim Dooley

- I. The _____ of Hindrances
 - A. Not from the Lord (Galatians 5:8)
 - 1. The Lord _____ us (Philippians 4:13; 1 Peter 5:10)
 - 2. The Lord is our _____ (Hebrews 13:5-6; Psalm 33:20)
 - B. _____ is our hinderer (1 Thessalonians 2:18)
 - C. Satan's _____ hinder us (Matthew 23:13)
- II. The _____ We May Be Hindered
 - A. Our _____ of the Gospel (1 Corinthians 9:12)
 - B. Our _____ to the Truth (Galatians 5:7)
 - C. Our _____ (1 Peter 3:7)
 - D. Our _____ (Matthew 5:23-24)
 - E. Our Efforts to Reach _____ (Luke 13:24)
- III. The _____ of Hindrances
 - A. _____ (Luke 8:13; 1 Peter 5:8; Ephesians 6:11)
 - B. _____ (Romans 14:1)
 - C. _____ (Matthew 13:20-21; 2 Corinthians 12:10; Hebrews 12:3-4)
 - D. Cares of this _____ (Matthew 13:22; 1 Peter 5:7; Philippians 4:6).
 - E. _____ (Romans 12:11)
 - F. _____ (2 Timothy 2:15)

NOTES:

PM SERMON OUTLINE

Draw Near to God

James 4:7-10

Tim Dooley

- I. HE IS _____ DRAWING NEAR TO
 - A. He is All Powerful and Wise (Revelation 19:6; Psalm 147:5; Hebrews 4:13)
 - B. He is to be Revered and Feared (Psalm 76:7; Romans 11:22)
 - C. He is full of Love, Mercy, and Compassion (Psalm 86:15; 2 Peter 3:9; 1 Timothy 2:4)
- II. THE _____ CAN DRAW NEAR
 - A. Must come through Christ (Ephesians 2:18; Hebrews 7:25)
 - B. Made near by the blood of Christ (Ephesians 2:13)
 - C. Drawn by hearing and learning of the Father (John 6:44-45)
 - D. Comes to God in accord with His will (Hebrews 10:9-10; 7:19)
- III. THE _____ OF GOD CAN DRAW NEAR
 - A. Let us draw near with true hearts (Hebrews 10:22)
 - B. Let us draw near by means of prayer (Psalm 145:18; Hebrews 4:16)
 - C. Let us draw near in our worship (1 Corinthians 14:15; Hebrews 13:15; 2 Corinthians 9:7; Acts 13:7, 44; 1 Corinthians 10:16).
 - D. Let us draw near by daily godly living (1 John 1:7).
- IV. WE CAN BE DRAWN _____
 - A. Our hearts can be far away (Matthew 15:8-9)
 - B. Some draw back to perdition (Hebrews 10:39)
 - C. We draw back when we rebel (Jeremiah 6:16; 18:12).
 - D. We draw back when we ignore any commandment (James 4:17).
- V. WE CAN COME _____ NEAR
 - A. Near enough to be in God's Circle of Love (John 17:22-26)
 - B. Near enough to be Friends with God (James 2:23; John 15:13-14)
 - C. Near enough to be in God's Family (Hosea 1:10; 1 John 3:1)

NOTES:

ORDER OF WORSHIP

SINGING.....Shaler Grigsby
 SONG **000 Firm Foundation**
 ANNOUNCEMENTS.....Brian Carpenter
 SONG **859 He Paid a Debt**
 LORD'S SUPPER/OFFERING.....Paul Ormon,
 Clint Stroupe, Steve Todd , Thomas Wall
 SONG..... **898 Unto Thee, O Lord**
 SONG..... **732 We Praise Thee, O God**
 SCRIPTURE READING.....Dean Dillard
 OPENING PRAYER.....Mason Simmons
 SONG **585 Soldiers of Christ, Arise**
 LESSON.....Tim Dooley
 INVITATION SONG..... **924 I Am Mine No More**
 CLOSING PRAYER.....Matt Jennings
 USHER.....Steve Hill/Kurt Clayton
 LOCK.....Kurt Clayton
 SECURITY.....Jason Jennings
 GREETERS.....Jason & Amy Jennings

WORSHIP—SUNDAY EVENING —1:15 PM

P.M. SINGING.....Mike Brown
 P.M. OPENING PRAYER.....Bill Botts
 LESSON.....Tim Dooley
 P.M. CLOSING PRAYER.....Greg Clayton

BIBLE STUDY—WEDNESDAY, October 26—6:30 P.M.

SINGING.....Owen Clayton
 OPENING PRAYERShane Crotts
 DEVOTIONAL.....Kevin Simmons
 CLOSING PRAYER.....Martin Crotts

Sunday, October 30, 2022

Greeters.....Mark & Alyce Jennings
 Announcements.....Brian Carpenter
 Singing.....Mark Jennings
 Lord Supper.....Paul Ormon,
 Clint Stroupe, Steve Todd, Thomas Wall
 Scripture Reading.....Clayton Hill
 Opening PrayerTerry Stubblefield
 Closing Prayer.....Ron Griggs
 Usher..... Steve Hill/Dane Coggin
 Lock.....Dane Coggin
 Security.....Matt Jennings

Sunday P.M.

Singing.....Shaler Grigsby
 Opening Prayer.....Dillon Clayton
 Closing Prayer.....Kurt Clayton

Wednesday November 02, 2022

Singing.....
 Opening Prayer.....
 Devotional Tim Dooley
 Closing Prayer

Sunday, November 06, 2022

Greeters.....
 Announcements.....
 Singing.....
 Lord Supper.....
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 Scripture Reading.....
 Opening Prayer
 Closing Prayer.....
 Usher.....
 Lock.....
 Security.....

Sunday P.M.

Singing.....
 Opening Prayer.....
 Closing Prayer.....

Wednesday November 09, 2022

Singing.....
 Opening Prayer.....
 DevotionalShaler Grigsby
 Closing Prayer

OUR RECORD
 Week of 10/16/2022

Sunday School.....116
 Sunday A.M.....162
 Sunday P.M.....93
 Wednesday 73
 Contribution.....\$4,444.00
 Budget.....\$4,750.00

What Must I Do To Be Saved?

1. Hear the Gospel (Romans 10:13-17)
2. Believe the Gospel (Acts 15:7)
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)



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