

Those to Serve

(B) Jorge Garza
(FV) Calvin Burks
(O) Doug Pruett
(A) Kyle Stifflemire
1st prayer Mike Mallett
2nd prayer Keith Stifflemire
Announcements: Jack Wall
Singing: Judd Wall

Happy Birthday

Jana Wall May 18th
Cassidy Stapp June 2nd
Loyd Crownover June 5th
Jeret Burks June 7th

I've Never Known

1. A farmer who failed in life because he quit early to attend Wednesday night Bible lessons.
2. A farmer who became poverty stricken because he refused to plow on Sunday but rather chose to go to worship.
3. A business man who ever lost his business because he closed on Sunday.
4. Anyone who was too tired to go to worship on Sunday and also too tired to go to work on Monday.
5. A Christian to ever be strengthened by engaging in recreation when he should have been worshipping God.
6. Anyone ever being made better by staying away from the worship because he did not like someone who was there.
7. A strong spiritual Christian who neglected the assemblies of the church.

Have You?

Prayer List:

Odell Mallett
Mona Lancaster
Willis Hughes
Letha Sheldon
Ruby Jones
Loyd Crownover
Pray for our Nation
Our Troops
Law Enforcement
Rescue Personnel

May 25th
Memorial Day
May 31st
Noon Fellowship
June 7th
Mission Fund
June 14th
Flag Day
June 21st
Father's Day

Quotes & Sayings

- *With God in charge, I believe everything will work out for the best in the end. Henry Ford*
- *When you believe in a thing, believe in it all the way, Implicitly and unquestionably. Walt Disney*
- *Men willingly believe what they wish. Julius Caesar*

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Attending church services regularly is like making a path through the forest: the more often you use it, the less obstruction you find in the way."

Sunday Worship:

9:30 am Bible Study

10:20 am Worship

12:30 pm Afternoon

Wednesday Night

6:00 pm

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Warnings

A dozen sirens wailing a warning of a coming tornado cannot save the lives of those who do not heed. Warning that a dam is beginning to break under the pressure of floodwaters cannot save a city of ten thousand living directly below the dam if they do not heed and seek higher ground. The blaring of the horns of a train bearing down on an intersection cannot save motorists who ignore it and are smashed by trying to cross the tracks. Is there no grace? Is there no mercy? Yes! The warnings are the form of deliverance from peril, but grace and mercy do not profit those who do not make use of them.

God has spoken! He has offered good things and warned mankind of mortal peril. He has set in place a way of salvation from spiritual death and eternal punishment through His gracious gift through Jesus Christ. He has said that all who believe Him, heed His Word, and obey His Son's commandments will be delivered from certain death in sin and will be given eternal life (Hebrews 5:8,9; Matthew 7:21-24; Mark 16:15,16; Romans 2:5-11).

But God's warnings have not profited those who have not heeded His commands to stop, to flee from peril, to seek the safety in Christ. Many warners tell their hearers that belief alone will save them, that they are saved before they obey the warnings or even without obeying the warnings; therefore, the warned ones feel safe though their destruction is imminent (1 Thessalonians 5:1-3). Many people isolate themselves from God's warnings by refusing to read His Holy Scriptures, by refusing to listen to the Truth presented by means of radio, by refusing repeated invitations to attend the assemblies where the Truth is taught, and by refusing even to discuss the Scriptures with Christians who are seeking to help them.

Neighbor, God's warning is ever-present. Are you reading it, listening to it, and obeying it unto salvation? The way that leads to life eternal must be taken and traveled (Matthew 7:13,14).

- by Gilbert Alexander

Your Parents Can't Make You Go to Heaven!

One of the greatest miseries of being a child is being made to do things that a child does not want to do. Eating vegetables, brushing teeth, taking a bath, cleaning one's room, going to Aunt June's, going to school, attending worship and Bible study -- these all rate high on the list of things that many children and teens do not like to do at some time or another.

As children get a little older, they often can see the wisdom of brushing their teeth or taking a bath, and many like going to school, even if it is not because they see the value of a good education. But mom and dad still make them attend church, even after they have complained sufficiently to be exempted from visiting Aunt June. Why?

Some young people feel as though they have finally broken the stranglehold parents exercise over children, when they have removed themselves from parental power to make them "go to church." A number of older people have told me that the reason they do not attend church in their adult years is because their parents made them go when they were children. Most of us know that really is not the reason. The real reason is usually twofold. One, the young person was not made to see the need for attending worship or Bible study as he was growing up, or the child simply did not learn the lessons taught. Two, the young person has grown and has made a decision that he does not need God in his life. His interests are simply not served by religion. In the growing process, the wisdom of eating properly bathing, and brushing teeth made sense, but somehow God was never made as real or as sensitive as those other things? Why?

Well, growing up is more than just getting older and bigger. There is a maturing of the mind (a true sense of seeking for answers to the questions of "Where did I come from? Why am I here? What happens to me when I die?"). When we really grow up, there is a soberness about life's purpose and death's destiny with those who are truly mature. Young people, it is not easy to force yourselves to think about these things, but it is important that you do so!

As you develop and grow older, try to grow in wisdom, too. When you become a young adult, your parents cannot make you do many things they used to do. You may be happy about that, but your parents did what they thought was best for you (Hebrews 12:9-11). There is one final thing that your parents cannot make you do! They cannot make you go to heaven. As much as they would like to see you there, they cannot make you go! That is a decision you get to make. You do not have to go, if you do not want to go! Romans 14:12 and 2 Corinthians 5:10 say that "each one of us will give an account of himself." Growing up is great! The adult life is a continuing education. There are tremendous and eternal consequences attached to the decisions you make as young adults! Use your freedom to make the right choices for yourselves.

by Ted J. Clarke