

Those to Serve

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

Prayer List:

Dora Martinez
Lynn Parker
Tammy Parker
Kadence Payne
Anita Adams
Virginia Lovell
Letha Sheldon
Pray for our Nation
Our Troops
Law Enforcement
Rescue Personnel

Happy Birthday

Theresa Pruett Nov. 14th
Calvin Burks Nov. 26th
Linda Houts Nov. 28th
Terry Day Nov. 30th
Lynette Vann Dec. 14th
Virgina Lovell Dec, 19th
Kevin Grant Dec. 24th

November 23rd

Thanksgiving Day

November 26th

Noon Fellowship

December 3rd

Mission Sunday

December 7th

Pearl Harbor Day

December 21st

Winter Begins

Christmas Party

Calvin & Tammy Burks Home

December 9th

at 5:30 pm

**Bring your favorite
finger foods and
ornament.**

Christmas Party



Edifier

Evant church of Christ

310 W Brooks Drive

Evant, TX 76525

254-471-5705

November 19, 2023



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:

Will Vann, Preacher

9:30 am Bible Study

863-899-0987

10:20 am Worship

Email: wvann@yahoo.com

12:30 pm Afternoon

www.evantchurchofchrist.org

Wednesday Night

6:00 pm

“Thank You” Can Take Many Forms”

When children are little, we do our best to teach them basic manners. One of the most basic is when we tell them to "say their pleases and thank you." We want to instill in them that a verbal expression of thanks is a sign of respect and means a great deal to the one who hears it.

As we all know, however, thanks can take many forms. Certainly, we should continue to express our thanks in words, but that should not be the only way we express gratitude for what someone has done.

Tomorrow, our nation will say "thank you" to those who have given their lives to defend us and protect the liberties we enjoy. However, since those we are honoring are no longer living, it is impossible for us to vocally tell them "thank you." So, how do we thank them properly? There are a number of ways. Taking time to remember, cleaning a grave, or saying a prayer to God that remembers what has been done on our behalf are just some ways that we say "thank you" without uttering the words to the one we are trying to express gratitude toward.

Today –the Lord's Day –we have an even more important time set aside to do much the same thing. When we eat the Lord's Supper, we do not usually do anything "vocally" other than the one who leads us in prayer. However, those of us who are partaking have an opportunity to express gratitude in more silent ways, but ways that are just as meaningful and heartfelt.

We express our gratitude by partaking faithfully, with our whole heart involved. True obedience to God is a form of gratitude. Taking communion with our mind and heart truly involved thanks Him because it shows we still care deeply about what He did, though so much time has passed

We can express our gratitude through silent prayer. During the moments we are eating the bread or taking the fruit of the vine, there are many things we could be focusing on. One of those, however, could be a time of gratitude. It might be a brief and silent prayer, but what better prayer to have in our minds than, "Father, thank you for what Jesus did for me"! If it comes from the heart, that expresses true thankfulness.

We can express our gratitude through partaking each week. Part of the Lord's Supper's meaning is that it is a proclamation that He is coming again. The Lord instituted this meal as a public "statement" that the promise is still real and still meaningful to us. When we partake every week –week after week –we are showing gratitude for being given the honor of taking part in that proclamation on a regular basis.

Quite often, the man who leads us in the prayers at communion expresses thanks. Such is appropriate, and it helps us have our minds in the right place. But even if that is not expressly stated in the prayer, there are still ways we can show our gratitude as we "eat this bread and drink this cup." Our hearts should be filled with many emotions as we partake, not the least of which should be thankfulness.

So, whether vocally uttered or not, will you show your thanks today as you partake?

By Adam Faughn

Do We Need Another Bible?

Do we really need another Bible in order to know and do God's will? Do we need a book in addition to the Bible? Some tell us that we do and are constantly advertising that we need to send off and get this book.

However, there is a very reliable source that tells us we do not need another book to supplement or replace the Bible. That reliable source is the Bible itself. In fact, it not only tells us we don't need any other Bible or book but that we will be under a curse if we add to or take away from the one we have. That source is the Bible itself. These warning are found in both the Old and New Testaments. For example:

Deut 4:2 "Ye shall not add unto the word which I command you, neither shall ye diminish from it, that ye may keep the commandments of Jehovah your God which I command you."

Prov 30:6 "Add thou not unto his words, Lest he reprove thee, and thou be found a liar."

Rev 22:18-19 "I testify unto every man that heareth the words of the prophecy of this book, if any man shall add unto them, God shall add unto him the plagues which are written in this book: 19 and if any man shall take away from the words of the book of this prophecy, God shall take away his part from the tree of life, and out of the holy city, which are written in this book."

God has already given us "all things that pertain unto life and godliness through the knowledge of His word" (2 Peter 1:3) Why should we even think of asking for anything more?

By George Pledger