

### Those to Serve

(B) Doug Pruett  
(FV) Jack Wall  
(O) Judd Wall  
(A) Calvin Burks  
1st prayer Keith Stifflemire  
2nd prayer John Jones  
Announcements: Jack Wall  
Singing: Kevin Grant

### Prayer List:

Mike Mallett  
Valerie Garza  
Virgina Lovell  
Vernon Houts  
Wanda Kitchens  
Jorge Garza  
Pray for our Nation  
Our Troops  
Law Enforcement  
Rescue Personnel

### Ladies Day

Train at Joy Payne's home on  
August 12th  
10:00 am.  
You know what to bring.

### We would like to welcome

**Corey & Mattie  
Tackett**

**to Evant as they  
start their work here  
today with the  
Evant  
church of Christ.**

America will never be destroyed  
from the outside. If we falter and  
lose our freedoms, it will be be-  
cause we destroyed ourselves.

Abraham Lincoln

### Happy Birthday

**Scotty Miller August 8th  
Crickett Miller August 12th  
Jack Wall August 20th  
Cindi Wall August 26th  
Robby Houts September 8th  
Vernon Houts September 24th**

### Happy Anniversary

**August 30th  
Scotty & Crickett Miller  
October 2nd  
Corey & Mattie Tackett**

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## Evant church of Christ

310 W Brooks Drive

Evant, TX 76525

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**August 10, 2025**



*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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## ***What True Fellowship Involves***

“Do not be unequally yoked together with unbelievers. For what fellowship has righteousness with lawlessness? And what communion has light with darkness? And what accord has Christ with Belial? Or what part has a believer with an unbeliever? And what agreement has the temple of God with idols?” (2 Corinthians 6:14-16a, NKJV)

Even though written in the negative, I believe we can examine this text and extrapolate many positive aspects of true fellowship which come forth clearly in the words used. So here's what true fellowship involves:

- \* Yoked together – True fellowship involves being linked together for the purpose of being productive. Fellowship operates best when people work closely together for a common cause.
- \* Fellowship – True fellowship involves companionship and comradery (which is the definition of the Greek word translated “fellowship”). Fellowship is formed when people are truly together.
- \* Communion – True fellowship involves close, personal association with one another. Fellowship is strengthened when personal connections are made.
- \* Accord (harmony, NAS) – True fellowship involves unity, harmony, and peace. Fellowship grows when people get along.
- \* Part (share, ESV) – True fellowship involves sharing and partaking together. Fellowship blossoms most beautifully when everyone does their part.
- \* Agreement – True fellowship involves being one in thought, belief, expression, effort, and outlook. Fellowship moves forward when there is common ground.

Truly, true fellowship is wonderful. Take a look at the above list again and note all the benefits of true fellowship. Resolve to do your part to be in true and total fellowship with Christ and His church.

By Edd Sterchi

## ***Only in the Dictionary***

"Work" is a word that many people do not like to see. We like to think that we can get certain results without work, but such is not the case.

Only in the dictionary ...

***Does "love" come before "work."***

***Does "trust" come before "work."***

***Does "growth" come before "work."***

***Does "heaven" come before "work."***

These are just four examples of things people want to achieve without really working for them. Obviously, love is an emotion, but real love takes a lot of work to build and maintain. We only gain trust from others when we put forth the work necessary to build that trust (which usually takes some significant time, too). A relationship, business, effort, or congregation will not grow unless there is a great deal of work involved.

But, what about heaven? Can we go to heaven without working? When we preach that one must be baptized in order to be saved (cf. Acts 2:38), we are often told that we are preaching a "works salvation." It is said that we are preaching that one can earn his or her way into heaven.

Nothing could be further from the truth! God's grace saves, but He still requires us to do certain things (cf. Philippians 2:12). Most of those who state we preach works salvation will teach that one must believe in order to be saved, and some will teach that one must repent of sins. Are these not works, too? They may not be quite so obvious outwardly, but they are just as much a work as is baptism.

And, when we think about it, baptism is really passive compared to the others. I believe. I repent. I confess. But, I am baptized. Someone must baptize me!

The Bible also makes it clear that we must continue to work for the Lord throughout our life if we want to be found faithful in the Day of Judgment (cf. Revelation 2:10). We cannot "pile up" enough good works to earn heaven, but we must humbly submit to the commands of God to be found faithful. "Heaven" only comes before "work" in the dictionary!

By Adam Faughn