

### Those to Serve

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

### August 13th

First Day of School Evant

### August 31st

Noon Fellowship

### September 1st

Labor Day

### September 7th

Mission Sunday  
Grandparents Day

### September 22nd

Autumn Begins

### *Happy Birthday*

**Crickett Miller August 12th**

**Jack Wall August 20th**

**Cindi Wall August 26th**

**Robby Houts September 8th**

**Vernon Houts September 24th**

**Judy Grant September 28th**

### *Happy Anniversary*

**August 30th**

**Scotty & Crickett Miller**

**October 2nd**

**Corey & Mattie Tackett**

### Prayer List:

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

### Anger

A short-tempered man is a fool. It's in the Bible, Ecclesiastes 7:9, Proverbs 19:11, and 16:32. "Don't be quick-tempered -- that is being a fool." "A wise man restrains his anger and overlooks insults. This is to his credit." "It is better to be slow-tempered than famous; it is better to have selfcontrol than to control an army."

Get over anger quickly. It's in the Bible, Ephesians 4:26-27. "If you are angry, don't sin by nursing your grudge. Don't let the sun go down with you still angry -- get over it quickly; For when you are angry you give a mighty foothold to the devil."

Don't fight back when wronged. It's in the Bible, 1 Peter 3:9, "Don't repay evil for evil. Don't snap back at those who say unkind things about you. Instead, pray for God's help for them, for we are to be kind to others, and God will bless us for it."

Anger produces strife. It's in the Bible, Proverbs 30:33, "For as churning the milk produces butter, and as twisting the nose produces blood, so stirring up anger produces strife."

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## Evant church of Christ

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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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## ***It's Not About Me!***

We live in a society that basically believes, "It's all about me." Almost every message that advertisers use promotes "me." Check them out and see if I'm right. Pamper yourself. Please yourself. Protect yourself.

No wonder so many marriages are breaking up. No wonder so many people are having a difficult time at work. No wonder there's so much crime and overcrowded prisons. No wonder there's so much mud-slinging in politics. No wonder there's so much road rage. No wonder children are so difficult to control. No wonder there are so many law-suits. No wonder there are so many people crying that their rights have been violated. No wonder there are so many churches being split.

One of God's irrefutable laws says that whatever you sow, you reap. We are seeing the vivid results of sowing the seeds of self-centeredness, and it's not pretty.

However, God's law of sowing and reaping works both ways. If we actively sow seeds of selflessness and service to others we will definitely reap a different harvest. What we see in Jesus, and what actually cost him is life, is that God is not happy with self-centeredness in any realm of human existence: not in the home, not in the workplace, not in the church. So, Jesus repeatedly taught us that Christianity is not about "me," it's about others.

*The greatest command is to love God (not self). Mark 12:29-30*

*The next greatest is to love our neighbors (not self) Mark 12:31*

*We are to die to ourselves Luke 9:23*

*We are to bless those who persecute us Romans 12:14*

*We are to do nothing out of selfish ambition Philippians 2:3*

*We are to consider others better than ourselves Philippians 2:3*

As much as we are bombarded by advertisers, politicians, educators, and even clergy to "look out for #1," it will be difficult to believe and practice the teachings of Jesus that it's "not about you." But we must.

Yet, here's the blessing. When we learn to do things the way Jesus taught and lived, we learn that putting others first is the best thing we can do for ourselves. There's nothing on earth to compare to becoming like Jesus!

By Joe Chesser

## ***This May Shock You***

This may shock you, but there are a number of things that the Bible does not teach that a multitude of people are not aware of.

The Bible does not teach that one church is as good as another. Rather, the Bible says, "There is one body" (Ephesians 4:4). Christ only built one church. Are the ones He didn't build just as good as the one He did build? That would make man's works as good as God's. Jesus said, "Every plant, which My heavenly Father has not planted, shall be rooted up" (Matthew 15:13). You see, Jesus didn't seem to think that one church is as good as another.

The Bible does not teach that Christ will return to earth to reign on a literal throne for 1,000 years. That would be a shocking fact for more than 80% of religious people. However, the verse that so teaches is yet to be found. I read, that when Christ comes again, that will be the end (1 Corinthians 15:23-24).

The Bible doesn't teach that Christ was born on December 25th. Neither does the Bible teach that there were three wise men.

The Bible doesn't teach that terms such as "Reverend," "Pastor," and "Father" should be applied to a preacher. The term "Reverend" is only used one time in the Bible, and that time it applies to God (Psalm 111:9, KJV). "Pastor" simply means one that is a shepherd over a flock. It is descriptive of an elder in the church that meets certain qualifications (1 Timothy 3:1-7; Titus 1:5-9). Jesus condemned the use of such terms as "Father" in Matthew 23:1-12.

The Bible teaches that only those who are the members of the body of Christ will be saved. I read that Christ is "the Savior of the body" (Ephesians 5:23). Thus, He only promises to save those in the body. His body and church are one and the same (Colossians 1:18). Thus, only those in His church, the church of Christ, will be saved (Romans 16:16).

If number five is a shocker, this will shock you more. The Bible teaches that not all of those in the body of Christ will be eternally saved. I read how the faithful will receive a crown of life (Revelations 2:10). Some of those that were once sanctified by the blood of Christ will turn aside and be lost (Hebrews 10:26-29).

The Bible teaches us that "rejoice" and "forgive one another," are commands of God (Philippians 4:4; Ephesians 4:32). These are not just suggestions that will make us better people. Neither is there an option to choose or not to choose. These are commands! Violating them is sin (1 John 3:4). To sin is to separate oneself from God (Isaiah 59:1-2).

The Bible teaches that "faith" is a work (John 6:29). If we are saved by faith only, we are saved by a work. If works do not save us at all, then we are not saved by faith. - by Donnie V. Rader