Those to Serve

- (B) Mike Mehaffey
- (FV) Calvin Burks
- (O) Doug Pruett
- (A) Judd Wall

1st prayer Keith Stifflemire 2nd prayer John Jones

Announcements: Jack Wall

Singing: Kevin Grant

September 22nd

Autumn Begins

September 28th

Noon Fellowship

October 5th

Mission Sunday

October 12th

Men's Business Meeting

October 13th

Columbus day

October 26th

Noon Fellowship

Quotes

One of the evils of democracy is, you have to put up with the man you elect whether you want him or not.

Will Rogers

Prayer List:

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

Happy Anniversary

October 2nd
Corey & Mattie Tackett
October 15th
Terry & Haley Day
October 18th
Robby & Rachel Houts

Happy Birthday

Vernon Houts September 24th
Judy Grant September 28th
Autumn Vann September 29th
Judd Wall October 10th
Dalton Vann October 18th
Kyle Stifflemire October 21st
Mike Mallett October 21st
Haley Day October 21st
Ruby Jones October 24th
Sharon Boatwright October 27th

1 Corinthians 13:4-7 NKJV

4 Love suffers long and is kind; love does not envy; love does not parade itself, is not [a]puffed up; **5** does not behave rudely, does not seek its own, is not provoked, [b]thinks no evil; **6** does not rejoice in iniquity, but rejoices in the truth; **7** bears all things, believes all things, hopes all things, endures all things.

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Sunday Worship:

9:30 am Bible Study

10:20 am Worship

12:30 pm Afternoon

Wednesday Night

6:00 pm

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Two Men Hanging

Two men hanging on their respective crosses. Both hurling insults at Jesus. As their energy drained and life slipped away, they heard people on the ground talking aloud about the One between them. After much listening, one of the two hanging (a thief) had a change of heart; he tired and felt guilty about insulting the One between them whom, he gathered, was guilty of no wrong. More than that, he heard people assign divinity to him. He heard that himself when he walked freely. Now he is beside Him; he had seen and heard enough that his regrets came rushing to him like a tidal wave. The other thief kept hurling insults, but the one with a change of heart had heard enough nonsense. He forthrightly declares, "But the other answered, and rebuking him said, Dost thou not even fear God, seeing thou art in the same condemnation? And we indeed justly; for we receive the due reward of our deeds: but this man hath done nothing amiss" (Luke 23:40-41, ASV).

LESSONS:

- 1) easily it could have been one of us hanging on the cross beside Him who experienced no sin;
- **2)** life's experiences have a way of teaching powerful lessons, some of them come late;
- **3)** when those teaching moments come, be sure to act on them for the promise of another day is not given;
- **4)** with the thief on the cross, we have an extraordinary circumstance; He who gives life has within Him that very life to give (**John 5:26**); the occasion of the thief does not warrant our approach to follow the same pattern. The Lord's pattern is in **John 3:3-5 (Acts 2:37-38)**, follow that pattern.

By Ron Thomas

I Do, but I Don't

I believe in proper methods, but I don't wear the name "Methodist". I believe in baptism, but I don't wear the name "Baptist". I believe presbyters (or elders) should oversee the local church, but I don't wear the name "Presbyterian". I believe one should be holy, but I am not a "Holiness". I believe Jesus was reared in Nazareth, but I am not a "Nazarene". I believe that these are the "last days" in which we are now living, (Heb. 1:1) and that we are called saints, (1 Cor. 1:2), but I am not a "Latter Day Saint". I believe the church should be catholic, (universal) but I don't wear the name "Catholic". I believe in unity, but I don't wear the name "Unitarian".

According to some arguments (?) used to justify the religious wearing of human names, I would really have a name. I would be a Methodist, Baptist, Presbyterian, Holiness, Nazarene, Latter Day Saint, Unitarian, Catholic, Christian! WHEW! What a name! However, I don't wear those names which glorify a person, a method, or a doctrine. I wear the name of Him who was crucified for me; and in whose name I was baptized. (1 Cor. 1:13). Salvation is in no other name, but the name of Christ (Acts 4:12). That's why I am pleased to wear the name "Christian" (Acts 11:26), the "new name" God gave to His people after the Gentiles had seen His righteousness (Isa. 62:2), and which glorifies God (1 Pet. 4:16). Yes, I do believe in methods, baptism, presbyters, etc., but I don't wear divisive human names, which may honor the teaching, but not the "Author and Finisher of our faith", Jesus Christ. If you obey the gospel of Christ (Rom. 1:16), you, too, can be simply a Christian and wear the name of Christ, which is embodied in the very word 'CHRISTian". -

by Jim Sasser