

Those to Serve

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

January 4th

Mission Sunday

January 11th

Men's Meeting

January 25th

Noon Fellowship

February 1st

Mission Sunday

February 16th

President's Day

February 22nd

Noon Fellowship

March 1st

Mission Sunday

Prayer List:

Vicki Moore
Valerie Garza
Virginia Lovell
Vernon Houts
Wanda Kitchens
Jorge Garza
Pray for our Nation
Our Troops
Law Enforcement
Rescue Personnel

Happy Anniversary

January 26th

Doug & Theresa Pruett

February 14th

Vernon & Linda Houts

Happy Birthday

Joy Payne Jan. 3rd

Lindy Burks Feb. 14th

Corey Tackett Feb. 20th

Eloisa Garza March 2nd

Rachel Flores March 3rd

Mattie Tackett March 12th

Tried an Proved

A minister once visited an elderly woman who showed him her well-used Bible. By many of the promises in that Bible she had written two letters, "T" and "P". When asked their meaning, she said they stood for "Tried" and "Proved".

If you will try the promises of God, you too will find they will prove to be true. For example, if you seek His kingdom and righteousness first, you will find you will not lack the material necessities of life (**Mt. 6:33**). You will also find that He will never fail you nor forsake you (**Heb. 13:5**). Further, you will find that you will not face a temptation or trial that you are not able to bear (**1 Cor. 10:13**).

Finally, you will find that you can do all things through Him that strengthens you (**Phil. 4:13**). By George Pledger

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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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Building A Solid Life

By Glen Elliott

Genuine prosperity is measured not by money but by what is in the heart. Without material possessions, one can still be rich in faith toward God and that is the greatest prosperity of all (**James 2:5**).

Jesus tells us how to build a foundation toward spiritual prosperity, saying, “Everyone who hears these words of Mine and acts on them, may be compared to a wise man who built his house on the rock. And the rain fell, and the floods came, and the winds blew and slammed against that house; and yet it did not fall, for it had been founded on the rock. Everyone who hears these words of Mine and does not act on them, will be like a foolish man who built his house on the sand. The rain fell, and the floods came, and the winds blew and slammed against that house; and it fell—and great was its fall” (**Matthew 7:24–27**).

The key to building a successful life is found in listening to and obeying the words of Jesus. It is not enough simply to hear the words of Jesus, we must act upon them. It is as foolish to ignore the teachings of Christ as it is to build a house on the shifting sand. While the two houses may have mirrored one another in appearance, only the house built on the rock could withstand the storms of life.

When adversity comes, will your house remain? Is your life firmly grounded on the solid foundation of acting on the words of Jesus? Without obedience to the words of Christ, what assurance do you have of spiritual prosperity? Commit yourself to reading His word every day. Apply His teachings to your life and you will be building a solid life on the only eternal foundation.

What If?

I've been thinking a lot about how we talk about the church. Here's something to consider...

What if we ...

- Were hopeful about the future of congregations instead of acting like most churches are failing?
- Called out the good - the churches that are growing (spiritually and numerically), where the prodigals know they can come home (so they do), and thirsty women seeking living water find it?
- Were optimistic about what is going on instead of disheartening people by calling as much attention as possible to problems?
- Assumed the best of our brethren instead of spreading a steady stream of negativity?
- Could be real and admitted we don't really know what's happening in most churches—there are hundreds across the country, and we've only visited a handful—so broad criticisms aren't fair or kind?
- Recognized the many churches where First Days are victory-revived as worship follows the New Testament pattern, glorifies God, and edifies the saints?
- Commended the hard-working preachers among us who connect the dots between truth-facts and life-application ... sermons that accomplish a lot because they are based in scripture, not the latest evangelical best-seller, and speak to disciples' lives today?
- Didn't act like the small minority represent the majority?
- Spoke up for those who defend the truth rather than accommodate error, who respect Bible authority and refuse to compromise with institutionalism, and who preach biblical grace instead of Calvinism? What if, instead of labeling them “legalists” and “Pharisees,” we encouraged them?
- Tried to be balanced and fair—noting the good while still working to improve where needed?

It's easy to criticize and complain. Ten men did that in Numbers 13. A lot of people “shared it” and “liked it” but God's people suffered for it. What if we chose a better way? God is doing so much good among us. What if we opened our eyes and thanked Him for it?

Mark Roberts