

Those to Serve

(B) Keith Stifflemire

(FV) Calvin Burks

(O) Doug Pruett

(A) James Lovell

1st prayer Mike Mehaffey:

2nd prayer: Mike Mallett

Announcements: Jack Wall

Singing: Kevin Grant

September 6th

Mission Sunday

September 7th

Labor Day

September 13th

Grandparent Day

Men's Business Meeting

September 22nd

Autumn Begins

September 27th

Noon Fellowship

October 4th

Mission Sunday

Happy Anniversary

October 2nd

Corey & Mattie Tackett

Happy Birthday

Vernon Houts Sept. 24th

Judy Grant Sept. 28th

Judd Wall Oct. 10th

Mike Mallett Oct 21st

Ruby Jones Oct. 24th

Sharon Boatwright Oct. 27th

Prayer List:

James & Jennifer Lovell

Joy Payne

Michael Payne

Jorge & Valerie Garza

Virgina Lovell

Vernon & Linda Houts

Wanda Kitchens

Pray for our Nation

Our Troops

Law Enforcement

Rescue Personnel

Quotes & Sayings

- "You must remember that some things legally right are not morally right."
Abraham Lincoln
- "Better to remain silent and be thought a fool than to speak out and remove all doubt." ~
Abraham Lincoln
- "You cannot help the poor by destroying the rich. You cannot lift the wage earner by pulling down the wage payer." ~
Abraham Lincoln
- "The Bible is the cornerstone of liberty." ~ Thomas Jefferson

We want to Thank Joy Payne for opening her home for the Annual Hound Supper.

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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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Expressions & Impressions

Are you approachable? It is likely each of us can say, “Yes, I am approachable. Why do you ask?” It was not long ago that I heard a sister say to the preacher, “You’re approachable.” This is an interesting remark. Is the case that some in the congregation, perhaps Bible class teachers, other saints, elders are not? Perhaps. On the other hand, maybe all that was meant is the preacher is approachable and easy to talk to.

Are you judgmental? Some time back, a good way in fact, I heard a person say of an elder, “He is judgmental!” The context of that remark had to do with “Let us not approach him lest we be given a judgmental lecture about how we have done this or that wrong.” The idea behind the word “judgmental” is negative in just about every use of the word. We all have a standard by which we live and judge. Most of the time the standard is of our own making, but the standard by which we live and judge is to be the Lord’s. Then, putting that into practice, we form our opinions along with our experiences into a firm decree by which we live. When that decree by which I live is compelled on another person without them asking for it, I become judgmental. I have learned long ago this is a recipe for separation.

Again, not too long ago, I heard a brother say that when something was introduced into his mind, say some failings or struggle that belongs to a particular saint, the brother who is told this information – told because there is a desire to receive help to overcome – the brother told now can’t get the impression from the mind. Consequently, whenever the struggling one presents him or herself to the preacher, the impression made is the only image seen. The preacher now has to get over the hurdle to be of any help, while the one needing help does not realize the extra height that needs to be scaled.

Have you come across a saint who mumbles much, says nothing in the mumbling worth hearing, but is judgmental in the saying of it? I have. Rather disappointing. Murmuring/mumbling destroyed the nation of Israel (1 Cor. 10:9-10) and it destroys the saint who engages in the same.

This goes a long way to solving all of the above: “Finally, brethren, whatsoever things are true, whatsoever things are honorable, whatsoever things are just, whatsoever things are pure, whatsoever things are lovely, whatsoever things are of good report; if there be any virtue, and if there be any praise, think on these things” (Phil. 4:8).

Each of us should put it into practice.

By Ron Thomas

Inconvenient!

Suppose we changed our meeting time to 3 AM on Sundays. While we might not like it, many of us would be here despite the inconvenience. Now, relax! There are no plans to change the meeting time! It brings up the question, though: How willing are you to be inconvenienced in your service to God?

Antonius Felix, governor of Judea, didn’t like what he was hearing as Paul was instructing him in the gospel. “Go away for now,” Felix said. “When I have a convenient time, I will call for you” (Acts 24:25). As far as the record goes, that convenient time never came. The governor wasn’t much interested in becoming a Christian anyway; mostly he was hoping Paul would pay a bribe.

Unlike Felix, Christians are interested in hearing and doing the will of God. (Or we’re supposed to be, anyway.) Are you willing to be inconvenienced for the Lord? Let’s be specific: Are you willing to make a visit instead of watching your favorite TV program? Or does that visit have to wait until you have “spare time”? Would you reschedule a vacation if it conflicted with a Gospel Meeting? Would you attend services rather than getting an early start on that business trip? In short, are you willing to put God (not your convenience) first?

The early Christians certainly did not practice a religion of convenience! How convenient was it to be beaten or imprisoned for proclaiming the gospel? Was walking all over the country to tell people about Jesus convenient? And if we can believe the historical records, the early Christians often met around sunrise on the first day of the week since that was the only time that the slaves could attend. No doubt it would have been more convenient for everyone, especially the slaves, just to stay home to get a little extra sleep.

Two thousand years ago, Jesus left the splendor of Heaven to come to this earth, taking upon Himself a body of human flesh. What if He had said, “No, it just isn’t convenient for Me right now.” Think of the times Jesus spent all day teaching and healing, only to spend all night in prayer. Not exactly convenient, wouldn’t you say? And where would we be if, when His crucifixion was imminent, Jesus had backed out because it wasn’t convenient?

There is nothing wrong with accommodating convenience where we can. But brethren, God has gone to a great deal of trouble for us! May it never be that we would insult Him by serving Him only when it is convenient.

By Joe Slater