

Passion for God.....Compassion for People
May 23, 2010

Please be Reminded:

Men's Business Meeting is the first Sunday of the month, immediately following morning worship. The meeting takes place in the all-purpose room. Plan to attend and be a part of the decision making process of the congregation.

Stanton Nursing Home Services will be the third Sunday of each month, beginning at 2:30 p.m. The speaker for June will be Daniel Newell. Please join us for 35-40 minutes of song, prayer, and sermon. Your attendance may brighten the day for a resident.

Church Singing is the second Wednesday of each month at 7:00PM. This is an opportunity to praise God together in song. You may also request that a particular song be sung. Please plan to attend and encourage others as well.

WSKV Radio8:30 a.m. each Sunday Morning

Please Lift Up In Prayer:

Anna Vires and Family, Waveline Teasley, Pauline Powell, Joe and Debbie Slone, Brian Rice, Sharon and Donald Olinger, Reva O'Hair, unspoken requests, the elderly in the church, all those on the church prayer list.

.....the effectual fervent prayer of a righteous man availeth much. James 5:16

Let us be sure that why we come to worship is to praise the eternal God, stimulate one another to love and good works, and soak up the fellowship of our spiritual family as we obey the Lord in worshipping in spirit and truth. Having such an approach to worship will cure a lot of the nit-picky, hypercritical ways we can too easily adopt. When our motives and intentions in worship are purified, we will notice how little we notice the minutia. Neal Pollard



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Worship Services:

Sunday Morning Bible Study.....	10:00 a.m.
Sunday Morning Worship.....	11:00 a.m.
Sunday Evening Worship.....	6:00 p.m.
Wednesday	7:00 p.m.

Sunday A.M.: Laziness	M.C. Rice
Sunday P.M.: I Believe God	Daniel Newell

For even when we were with you, this we commanded you, that if any would not work, neither should eat. 11. For we hear that there are some which walk among you disorderly, working not at all, but are busybodies.

12. Now them that are such we command and exhort by our Lord Jesus Christ, that with quietness they work, and eat their own bread. 2 Thessalonians 3:10-12



Privileged to Serve

Announcements and Prayer List.....Jody McCoy
Songs of WorshipTerry Abney

A.M. Prayer Walter Rice.
A.M. Prayer before Worship Joe Slone
A.M. Closing Prayer Charles Mac Rice
P. M. Opening Prayer Dan Newell Jr.
P.M. Closing Prayer..... Greg Brewer

May:

Communion:

Reading Terry Abney
Serving Joe Slone, Jody McCoy.
Collection Pearl Brewer, Willard Dunn
Communion to Sick Daniel Newell, Dan Newell Jr.
Prepare Communion Charlene Brewer, Bernice Abney
Van Driver 5/23/10 Duwain Watson
Van Driver 5/30/10 Greg Brewer
Cleaning Outside Walter Rice, Shane Burgher

THE GOSPEL WRITERS devoted an average of 25% of their writings to the last weeks of Christ's life on this earth -- from the triumphant entry into Jerusalem to His ascension...

More than half of John's account is dedicated to Jesus' last days here on earth. Three of the gospel writers recorded the scene of the Last Supper and then promptly skipped to other things. But John chose to write about what Jesus had to *say*, instead of what he *did*. Why such an interest in such a short period of the Lord's life? Perhaps it was because the author fully understood the importance of passing down the "echos of the cross," for he knew that such words of wisdom would transform our lives in ways that we once thought impossible. The echos of the cross -- the last thoughts of this Man, Jesus Christ -- can give us hope -- and transform our crosses into mere splinters.

Michael Whitworth in *Splinters of the Cross*, 39

This and That

In the first 3 chapters of First Corinthians the apostle Paul rebuked the church for having divisions among them. They were divided into different factions based on who it was that converted them. There were followers of Paul, Apollos, Cephas, and Christ. Based on this, Paul insisted they were carnal. The word carnal means to be guided by the flesh. It is opposite to those who are led by the Spirit of Christ. In order to help them think clearly he asked them three questions.

Is Christ divided? Of course the correct answer would be no. If a person becomes divided within himself that person could no longer function correctly. In order to progress we need to have our own body functioning as a unit as well as our faculties. When the body begins to fight against itself a cancer develops and soon the entire body is consumed. If our goals and desires are for eternal things and our thoughts and practices are for temporal things you can easily see this won't work out properly. Jesus is one with His Father and those who follow Him are as one with Him also. Jesus prayed, "That they all may be one; as thou, Father, art in me, and I in thee, that they also may be one in us: that the world may believe that thou hast sent me," John 17:21

Was Paul crucified for you? There were many prophecies such as the 22nd Psalm that predicted the crucifixion of a savior. Was this Paul? Of course not, Paul was then writing unto them and was soon to be in their presence. Jesus was the one who had died for the Corinthian people. He has also died for us. Paul said He was delivered for our offenses and raised again for our justification, Romans 4:25. Due to this Jesus was the one to be respected and served.

Were you baptized in the name of Paul? Paul said that he personally had baptized only a few. Did Paul obey the great commission and baptize them in the name of the Father, Son, Holy Ghost, or did he claim authority for baptism on his own? Paul told them in chapter 15 that the gospel was the death, burial, and resurrection of Jesus Christ. He told the Romans that they obeyed this form of doctrine when they were baptized, Romans chapter 6. The Corinthians should work together as one because Jesus had died for them and they were baptized by His authority, So should we. Think about it.

Daniel Newell