

Passion for God.....Compassion for People
February 22, 2015

Clay City Church of Christ

Items to Remember:

Stanton Nursing Home Services are the third Sunday of the month, beginning at 2:30 p.m. The speaker for March will be Daniel Newell.

Stanton Nursing Home Birthday Celebrations are the first Saturday of each month at 2pm.

Church Singing takes place the 2nd Wednesday of each month at 7pm. Please plan to attend and encourage others as well.

Ladies Group Meeting takes place the 2nd Friday of each month at 7pm in the multi-purpose room at the church building. This is a great opportunity for ladies to learn together and fellowship. Please make plans to attend.

Birthdays this Week: Alexis Blevins, Betty Jo Oliver (27th)

Anniversaries this Week: None

Our sermon airs each Sunday at 8:30 a.m.WSKV – 104.9 FM

Please Lift Up In Prayer:

Sharon & Donald Olinger, Correne Hatton, Inez Estep, Ellaray Campbell, Joe Slone. Those undergoing medical tests, those going through personal trials, unspoken requests, the elderly in the church, those who have lost loved ones, and those on the church prayer list.

.....*the effectual fervent prayer of a righteous man availeth much.*

James 5:16

Our men and women serving in Afghanistan and other war torn areas.

Greater love hath no man John 15:13

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- The Church food pantry is a way to share with those in need. It is accessed weekly by members of our community. Please donate as you can.

Pantry Item of the Week: Dry Beans

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Worship Services:

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

Sunday A.M.: Work Out Your Own Salvation í í Mack Rice
Sunday P.M.: The Lordø Birthí í í í í í ..Daniel Newell



No man, for any considerable period, can wear one face to himself and another to the multitude, without finally getting bewildered as to which may be true.

Nathaniel Hawthorne

Of all the preposterous assumptions of humanity over humanity, nothing exceeds most of the criticisms made on the habits of the poor by the well-housed, well-warmed, and well-fed.

Herman Melville

Privileged to Serve

Announcements and Sick..... Jody McCoy
Songs of WorshipCharles Rice

Prayer:

A.M. Prayer before Worship.....Terry Abney
A.M. Closing Prayer..... Jody McCoy
P.M. Opening PrayerCharles Rice
P.M. Closing Prayer..... Joseph Newell

February:

Communion:

Reading..... Greg Brewer
Serving..... Lonnie Dale Stewart & Dan Newell Jr.
Communion to the Sick..... Daniel Newell & Dan Newell Jr.
Collection..... Shane Burgher & Kyle Lucas
Prepare Communion..... Charlene Brewer
Van Driver Shane Burgher
Cleaning Outside Charles Rice & Joseph Newell

Which "Demas" Are You?

by: Edd Sterchi

A study of Demas is an interesting one. Here we have a man who is a Christian. He is only mentioned three times in the New Testament, and sadly when you look at them in chronological order, you will see a story of apostasy.

In Philemon 1:24, Demas is called a "fellow worker." Not long after that, Paul mentions Demas and Luke in Colossians 4:14, where Luke is called "beloved" but nothing is said of Demas. He is mentioned by name only. He is still among the number of disciples, but nothing else is said of him good or bad. By the time Paul writes His second letter to Timothy, Demas has forsaken his Christianity and gone back to the world (2 Timothy 4:10).

Demas' life, as mentioned in the Scriptures, reveals to us the three types of Christians: those who are actively working for the Lord, those who are just here and that's all, and those who have fallen away. Which "Demas" are you? Are you the Demas who is doing, the Demas who is dawdling, or the Demas who is dying?

Honoring God

It is an amazing thing to contemplate, but our actions have an effect upon God, His purposes, and His work in this world. By our decisions, our deeds, and even our thoughts, we either glorify God or we dishonor Him. We either help His cause or we hurt it. We show ourselves to be either the friends of God or His enemies (Jas. 4:4). When we exercise the wonderful freedom of the will God has given us, great consequences hang in the balance! Our intent, of course, should be to do only that which contributes in a positive way to God's cause. ***As God's people, we should want to honor Him in everything we do.*** The very height of our ambition ought to be to do even some small thing that would give honor to God. Indeed, this is the purpose for which we were created. When our actions show forth God's goodness and His glory, we are fulfilling our destiny as His creatures. We are His vessels, and we ought to want to be ones that are worthy of His use.

Doing all that we do to God's glory (and seeking to avoid anything inconsistent with His glory), we discover a meaning to life on earth that would otherwise be impossible. Even the difficult and painful necessities of life take on a different look when we see them as opportunities to glorify God. Paul even went so far as to say that if Christ would be honored by his death, then he was ready to die: "It is my eager expectation and hope that I will not be at all ashamed, but that with full courage now as always Christ will be honored in my body, whether by life or by death" (Phil. 1:20). Paul's attitude is commendable - we ought to strive for the same way of thinking.

But when it comes to glorifying God, we need to remember this: it is not only in the grandeur of big sacrifices that we glorify God; it is also in the little day-to-day things that are done as we serve Him faithfully. Few of us will ever have the opportunity to lay down our lives for God in a public martyrdom. But what God wants from each of us is the willingness to do all that we do - both the "big" things and the "little" ones - as if we were doing them for Him personally. This, really, is what it means to live as a Christian. Paul put it this way: "Whatever you do, work heartily, as for the Lord and not for men" (Col. 3:23). And Jesus said, "Let your light shine before others, so that they may see your good works and give glory to your Father who is in heaven" (Mt. 5:16). Gary Henry - WordPoints