

Thanks for being here this morning. If anyone is interested in going to church camp this year please see me. Camp will be June 10th through June 18th for age 10-18 years of age. I need to know pretty soon if you want to go, so that I can get registered. It fills up fast! Camp is always a fun time and will strengthen your walk as a Christian. Remember next Sunday the youth will host our Annual Chili-Cook Off and Cake Auction. I want to encourage the entire congregation to attend and support the youth. You will have a great time too! We have a lot of activities planned for the youth this year and your support will help make this possible. Thanks to those who have signed up to make chili and/or sweets. If you have not signed up and want to, please sign up by Wednesday. See you all tonight!







The youth group will be hosting the annual Chili Cook-off and Cake Auction Sunday night, March 11th after services. Please sign up if you can bring chili or a cake.

A Sunday school teacher was teaching the Ten Commandments to her five and six year olds. After explaining the commandment to "Honor thy father and thy mother," she asked, "Is there a commandment that teaches us how to treat our brothers and sisters?"

One little boy shouted, "Thou shall not kill."

"URGENCY"

There is one thing that seems to be lacking in almost every person who intends to grow and develop in the kingdom, who intends to be a good Bible student, who intends to reach out and bring some persons to the Lord, but never quite gets around to it. A sense of urgency. And the Bible seems to agree with that assessment, for it is replete with such terminology as "give diligence," "give attendance," "be strong," "be instant," "take heed," "watch ye," "let us therefore fear," "give the more earnest heed," "exhort one another today," "let us run," and literally dozens of others which point up the disposition of urgency that ought to characterize each of us. There are several reasons why we need to accelerate our efforts and intensify our attempts. Consider them and see if they won't have you see the need for a sense of urgency. There is work to be done in the kingdom. And there are not enough people doing it. How about you? Are you impressed with the necessity of doing what you can? Are you actively involved in doing today what needs to be done. If you are not. We all need to understand the urgency of the present situation and begin at once to make use of the time and talent you have to carry on the work that needs to be done. No matter how much or how little you have, you should have a real sense of urgency regarding its use in the kingdom of the Lord. DAN

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ASSEMBLY TIMES

Sun: 9:30 AM Class 10:30 AM Worship 6:00 PM Evening Wed: 7:00 PM

"DON'T CHANGE THE STANDARD"

The ability of all mankind to choose-to amend, to compare, decide, determine-is what differentiates him from all the rest of creation. Man alone is fitted to choose of his own will. Dogs operate on an assigned frequency, so do birds and bees, rocks and rills. They have no choice. But people do. They are designed for choosing. Man operates in a purely autonomous realm. He is free from the restraints of necessity. He has control of himself. As we said, he can meditate, weigh, compare, and then decide on a course of action. Having made his choice, he may then decide when and how he will accomplish what he has decided. It should be carefully noted, however, that man is responsible for the choices he makes. God will hold him accountable for his choices. Good choices are the result of careful comparisons, properly sorting things out. Man has been given what he needs to make good decisions (2 Timothy 3:16-17). A good Christian can and must make good choices. For instance, he must compare himself to that divine directive and, if he sees any deficiency or any required course of action, he must then take whatever steps that are necessary to keep himself going in the right way. And it is a continuing process. After having been baptized into Christ, the saved person must then bring his inclinations and affections into a spiritually-based life of love and service (Colossians 3:1-5). And how foolish for a person to decide to sort out his own values without the help of the divine directive. It's like going somewhere when you have no map to guide you. Without divine direction, we don't know which way to go or which way to turn. Paul, in 2 Corinthians 10:12, warns us about such a course. "For we dare not make ourselves of the number, or compare ourselves with some, who commend themselves. But they, measuring themselves by themselves and comparing themselves among themselves, are not wise." Fact is, when you're the standard yourself, and you want to do something that's not part of the standard, all you have to do is change the standard so that it fits the choice. This is a mark of a fool.

DAN

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The month of March has arrived. We are glad you are here today.





From Dan's desk:

Spring is just around the corner and I believe each of us will look forward to warmer weather. The rain was nice. We really needed it, even though some thought that they got more than needed. God continues to bless our congregation. Much is being done in the name of the Lord Jesus Christ and for His cause. Be reminded of the time change next Sunday. Before you go to bed Saturday night, move your clock forward one hour, as we will return to Daylight Savings Time. I always like more light at the end of the day. It seems that it comes early this year, but this is just routine and the only states that do not choose to go on Daylight Savings Time are the states of Alaska and Arizona. Remember also that next Sunday night following the worship service we will have the "Chili Cookoff" and cake auction. There is no charge. Some often make contributions to the youth fund to help defray the cost of "Lads to Leaders" and other functions. If you would like to prepare chili or make a cake donation, please sign the list on the bulletin board in the foyer. We hope that each of you will want to be with us. It is always a fun time. The food and fellowship is always great. We have 13 from the congregation signed up to go to Dallas on Easter weekend to participate in Lads to Leaders. Thanks to those who have been working with the youth and preparing them for the events in which they will be participating. There is a sign up list in the foyer for those who wish to bake a cake or prepare chili for the evening. We are so proud of our youth and the brethren who give so much of their time to teach them not only in Bible Hour, but in our weekly Bible classes also. Thanks again for being here this morning and we hope to see you tonight at 6 P.M. DAN

PLEASE TURN OFF ALL CELL PHONES





TO KEEP IN OUR PRAYERS

<u>ED COMPTON</u> continues to recover from his recent gall bladder surgery.

<u>KENLEE HARBOUR</u> remains in the Medical City hospital in Dallas. She is doing well.

LORELEE REEDER had injections in her back this week in Tyler.

Several others are ill with the flu. There is a prayer list available in the foyer listing the names of others who have been ill.

WELCOME VISITORS

A big hearty welcome to those visiting today. Allow us to meet and greet you following the worship service this morning. At the end of the service today you will be given a gift bag from our congregation. "It is a small gift, but it comes from big hearts." Thanks again for coming.



REMEMBER

Set your clocks forward one hour this Saturday night before going to bed!



The Ladies Bible Class will be held on <u>Tuesday at 9:30 A.M.</u> All ladies are invited to attend.

"Don't Let Your Struggle Become Your IDENTITY"

A church had a picnic and invited the entire community to come. The preacher placed a basket full of apples on one end of a table with a sign saying, "Take only one apple please - Remember that God is watching."

On the other end of the table was a plate of cookies where one of the children had placed a sign saying, "Take all the cookies you want -- God is watching the apples."

THANKS

A big thank you to those who came for Monday Night For The Master last Monday. Thanks to those who helped in the kitchen and to Doug Sumrall for providing the Pizza. We had a total of 53 in attendance.