

Thanks for joining us here this morning. We just finished our lesson on "Spiritual Wellness" in our Bible Class. It was a great series and we learned a lot from it together. Thanks to the youth for their participation and effort in class each week. If there is anyone here who has not been coming to the youth group, I want to encourage you to do so. Thanks to Jayden for bringing his friends to class last Wednesday. We are trying to get a Softball Team together. If anyone is interested in playing in a Co-ed Softball League this spring please see me. We did this years ago and had a great time! We need several people to have a team, so be thinking about it and let me know! BEN

RESPECT FOR GOD

Our Lord was asked, "Which is the greatest commandment in the law?" (Matt. 22:37). That is, which one can I zero in on and ignore all the others. The question was exclusive, but Jesus gave an inclusive answer: "Thou shalt Love the Lord thy God..." The idea of "love the Lord your God" means to treasure or to value God. Before we open our Bible to help us deal with any problem, we must first settle the matter of our attitude toward God. The word that reoccurs in scripture that addresses this attitude is godliness. Godliness is not "God-like" but a reverence for God. Respect for God is fundamental. When we esteem God we will esteem God's book and what God says will make a difference. DAN

GOD BLUEPRINT

Rather than building on God's blueprint, many churches and Christians today add to God's blueprint. It's important to understand the difference. "Building on God's blueprint" is continuing with the teachings of the Chief Cornerstone (1 Pet. 2:6). It means that we are building upon the foundation that Jesus Christ and the Apostles built. It means that we are following the same blueprint that God gave them to continue building the kingdom of Christ. "Adding to God's blueprint" means that we have decided, on our own accord, that God's blueprint isn't good enough and so we will make changes so it can fit my lifestyle. Do you know what happens to a house that is built and measurements are off by just a few inches? It can collapse! We should beware of changing God's blueprint. God has given us everything we need. God has given us *His* words to live by. As we go through life, we should always be following God's blueprint. We should be building on God's blueprint, not adding to it. We should do things God's way, not our own way. think when Christians have a healthy respect for the Lord and the blueprint He has given us, we can truly begin to be great in God's kingdom. It's time for us to make a choice: do we put on our hard hats and start building on God's blueprint, or do we take out our pens and start adding to it. Only one way will lead to heaven and that is through Jesus and His blueprint.

DOOR GREETERS

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

"The Documented Facts"

We all want just the facts. When it comes to God, we surely want Fact #1: All of us are sinners. Paul them. These are the facts. tells the Roman church that "all have sinned and fallen short of the glory of God" (Romans 3:23). It doesn't matter how good we've been or how perfect we think we are, we've all sinned. A lot of people do not like to admit that about themselves. We like to think that we are flawless and perfect. We like to think we can do no wrong. We like to think we are the model citizens and everyone should become more like us. But the fact is we've all sinned. We all have messed up. We aren't perfect. We all do things wrong. Fact #2: There are consequences for sin. Many people love to act before they think. Parents teach their children to think of the consequences before they decide to go ahead with the action. I think it's time adults start taking that advice as well. For every action we make during our lives, there are consequences. We may not see the consequences immediately, but they're there. Again, Paul warns the Romans that "the wages of sin is death" (Romans 6:23). When was the last time you thought to yourself "If I go ahead with this sin, my consequence is death"? You've probably never thought of death as a consequence, but it is. You may not see it immediately, but if we continue to live in sin, we will be facing an eternal death as a consequence. Fact#3: There is a hope! Now, that's not so scary, right? Let's face it, we all sin. That means we all will die. What if I told you that you wouldn't have to die? Paul reminds the Romans that "the gift of God is eternal life in Christ Jesus our Lord" (Romans 6:23). When we are baptized for the forgiveness of our sins, Jesus takes away our consequences. When we live our lives for Jesus instead of for ourselves, Jesus gives us eternal life. We have hope. We don't have to live life in fear of eternal death, but instead with anticipation of being with Jesus for eternity. DAN

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Welcome To Our Services And The Annual Dogwood Trails





From Dan's desk:

Spring break is over and we are glad that everyone is back with us from recent trips. Even though Spring is here this weekend and the beginning of the Annual Dogwood Trails, the weather has been a little cold. If you have come to see the Dogwoods this year we are glad you are here. We always have several visitors to our services during this annual event. We appreciate you coming and we hope you will come again. The Dogwoods are just about in full bloom along with the redbud trees. This is my favorite time of year. I always enjoy watching things come back to life after the cold winter. Tomorrow night is the time for Monday Night For The Master once again. We are always grateful to those who come to help. We hope you will join us at 6:15 for the meal. Don't bring anything, we are having assorted pizza and salad. Deserts will also be a part of the menu. We always accomplish a lot of things when we work together. The young people have been working hard in Lads To Leaders and the youth along with several adults will be heading off to the convention in Dallas on Easter weekend. We are so proud of our youth and their eagerness to learn more about our Lord. You might offer a kind word of encouragement to them when you are around them. We appreciate all those who work with the youth and the time and effort given to this program. Thanks again for being here this morning in worship. Your presence serves as an encourage to all others in attendance this morning. It is great to be a Christian. We hope to see you tonight at 6 P.M. DAN

PLEASE TURN OFF ALL CELL PHONES





TO KEEP IN OUR PRAYERS

DEANNA CHAPMAN was at M.D. Anderson in Houston this week for tests and treatment. She will be undergoing radiation treatments over the next couple of weeks.

DOLLY JEFFUS was in the hospital worship services, and anything else that they can think of. When will people stop finding excuses and own up to their spiritual staleness? Instead of trying to find someone or something to blame for being complacent and stale spiritually, it's time

Several new people have been added to the Prayer list in the foyer. Be sure to secure a copy.

CHILI COOK-OFF AND CAKE AUCTION

Remember that next Sunday night after services we will have the chili Cook-off and cake auction after services. If you would like to enter the contest, bring your chili. Award given to 1st, 2nd & 3rd. This is always a lot of fun and you can make a donation to the youth fund to help defray the cost of Summer Christian youth camp and trip to Dallas. We appreciate your help.

MONDAY NIGHT FOR THE MASTER

Tomorrow night will be the time for Monday Night For The Master again. We will eat at 6:15 P.M.

"Don't Put The Blame On Others"

It's interesting to me that most people know they should be growing spiritually, but yet they aren't taking the necessary steps to make sure that it's happening. When people stop growing spiritually, there is usually a blame game that is played. People blame the preacher because they aren't growing spiritually. The sermons aren't good enough and they aren't reaching me like I would like them to. People blame the Bible curriculum, the elders, the Bible classes, the teachers, the members, the worship services, and anything else that they can think of. When will people stop finding excuses and own up to their spiritual staleness? Instead of being complacent and stale spiritually, it's time we own up for our own soul and start finding a way to start growing. The Hebrew writer goes on to say that "But solid food belongs to those who are of full age, that is, those who by reason of use have their senses exercised to discern both good and evil" (Hebrews 5:14). What are you doing to exercise your senses? Are you reading your Bible? Are you studying your Bible class material? Are you praying on your own? Are you trying everything you can do to reach your spiritual goals? Take a moment today to see where you are spiritually. Not where you want to be? Then my advice to you would be to stop blaming everyone else and start taking action. Start exercising your senses today. We can't wait for others to do the work for us. Don't let yourself become spiritually stale. Stay fresh and alert. Stay active in the faith. Stay focused on your goal of heaven. The Hebrew writer said, "For though by this time you ought to be teachers, you need someone to teach you again the first principles of the oracles of God; and you have come to need milk and not solid food" (Hebrews 5:12). When spiritual growth should have been taking place, they instead replaced it with complacency. Unfortunately, many Christians are the same way. When spiritual growth should be taking place, most people tend to just go through the motions. DAN