

THINK ON THESE THINGS (Philippians 4:8)

LAST THINGS

OUR FAMILY NEWS

Pray: Jennifer Morigeau, Alice Stone, Josiah, Wayne and Cathy, Helen Spicer, Peggy

Traveling/Working: Slope workers. Steve and Abby are in Juneau.

Radio Programs: Listen to "Searching the Scriptures", our weekly radio program on KMBQ 99.7 Sunday mornings beginning at 9:00 AM.

Today's Scripture: "And Samuel said, Hath the LORD *as great* delight in burnt offerings and sacrifices, as in obeying the voice of the LORD? Behold, to obey *is* better than sacrifice, *and* to hearken than the fat of rams." **1 Samuel 15:22 (KJV)**

Wisdom for Today: "And thou mourn at the last, when thy flesh and thy body are consumed, " **Proverbs 5:11 (KJV)**

Evening Sermon: "What Are You Teaching When You Sing?" Eddie Maxwell

Attendance Last Sunday 65/47: Our Record: 107

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Church of Christ AT WASILLA

God's Plan of Salvation

Hear.....	Romans 10:17
Believe.....	Mark 16:16, Hebrews 11:1-6
Repent.....	Acts 2:38, II Corinthians 7:10
Confess.....	Romans 10:9-10, Matthew 10:32-33
Be Baptized	Mark 16:16, Acts 22:16
Arise & Walk in Newness of Life	Romans 6:4

"For I am not ashamed of the gospel of Christ: for it is the power of God unto salvation to everyone that believeth..."

CONTACT INFORMATION

MEETING TIMES

Sunday:

Bible Classes:	10AM
AM Worship:	11AM
PM Worship:	5PM

Wednesday:

Bible Study:	7PM
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Last Things

What would be the last thing you would want to be remembered for?

Some of us would say we want to be remembered for being a “good” person. What we really mean by this is that we want to be remembered for fitting into the norms of whatever society that we live in. Others are likely to say that they want to be remembered for being a “self made” person, one who started life without a lot of material possessions but through hard work, sweat, and sound business practices ended with large sums of money to leave their children. Others may say that they want to be remembered as a hard worker, or a good parent and spouse. And a few, and probably a very few, will say that they want to be remembered as being a sound Christian. But whatever it is that we want to be remembered for will be how we live the last few years of our lives. However those years are not formed in a vacuum. What we will be remembered for will begin years earlier.

King Saul was selected by God to be the first king of Israel. And during the early part of his reign, he was a decent King. However he is remembered primarily for his treatment of and hatred for David. This change in Saul did not happen suddenly in the last few years of his reign. It began when he disobeyed God and was told by Samuel that God would take his kingdom away from him and give it to someone else. In **1 Samuel 15:1-9 (KJV)** we read about a mission that God gave Saul, and the beginning of what Saul would be remembered for “*Samuel also said unto Saul, The LORD sent me to anoint thee to be king over his people, over Israel: now therefore hearken thou unto the voice of the words of the LORD. Thus saith the LORD of hosts, I remember that which Amalek did to Israel, how he laid wait for him in the way, when he came up from Egypt. Now go and smite Amalek, and utterly destroy all that they have, and spare them not; but slay both man and woman, infant and suckling, ox and sheep, camel and ass. And Saul gathered the people together, and numbered them in Telaim, two hundred thousand footmen, and ten thousand men of Judah. And Saul came to a city of Amalek, and laid wait in the valley. And Saul said unto the Kenites, Go, depart, get you down from among the Amalekites, lest I destroy you with them: for ye shewed kindness to all the children of Israel, when they came up out of Egypt. So the Kenites departed from among the Amalekites. And Saul smote the Amalekites from Havilah until thou comest to Shur, that is over against Egypt. And he took Aqag the king of the Amalekites alive, and utterly destroyed all the people with the edge of the sword. But Saul and the people spared Aqag, and the best of the sheep, and of the oxen, and of the fatlings, and the lambs, and all that was good, and would not utterly destroy them: but every thing that was vile and refuse, that they destroyed utterly”*”. It is here where Saul disobeyed God. And it is this action that caused God to take kingdom from him. The thought of losing his kingdom was the thing that was dominant in the rest of his life.

Sermon: Tom Betti ; Article: Bill Beebe

When King Saul tried to justify his disobedience by claiming that they brought the best of the flocks to sacrifice to God, Samuel tells Saul something that has remained true throughout the centuries; **1 Samuel 15:22 (KJV)** “*And Samuel said, Hath the LORD as great delight in burnt offerings and sacrifices, as in obeying the voice of the LORD? Behold, to obey is better than sacrifice, and to hearken than the fat of rams.”*” While this single act is not necessarily what King Saul is remembered for, it is the beginning of his fall into jealousy, envy, and hatred for David. His hatred for and treatment of David are the last things that he is remembered for.

So, what is it that you want to be remembered for? The last things in your life that you will be remembered for will not be forged in the last few weeks or months or even the last couple of years of your life. The last things you will be remembered for will begin now. If you want to be remembered as a “good” person, you will need to begin that lifestyle now so that when you get older living that life will be natural to you. If you want to be remembered for being a generous person, start now with your giving. If you want to be remembered as a loving person, practice loving your neighbor now by showing genuine concern for them.

As for me, I want to be remembered as a good husband, a good father, and a hard working person. But most of all as a Christian. And I want to be remembered as the best Christian that I could have been. To do that I need to grow in those things we are told that make us secure: “*And beside this, giving all diligence, add to your faith virtue; and to virtue knowledge; And to knowledge temperance; and to temperance patience; and to patience godliness; And to godliness brotherly kindness; and to brotherly kindness charity. For if these things be in you, and abound, they make you that ye shall neither be barren nor unfruitful in the knowledge of our Lord Jesus Christ.”*” **2**

Peter 1:5-8 (KJV) When I die and my eulogy is given, I want it to be short and simply say “He was a good husband to Peggy, a good father to Seth and John, a good grandfather to Colton and Christian; but most of all he was a Christian”. These are the last things I want people to remember me for.

Decide now what you want to be your last things. Those things that you want to be remembered for. And understand that the last things in your life here may very well determine the eternal things you will face when you die. So begin now to develop those traits that will define your last things.

