Schedule of Events

Men's Meeting 3/3, agenda items due 2/25

Singing and Potluck 2/25 Sunday Evening at the Stinson's

Quick VBS discussion after morning worship



Think on These Things

Philippians 4:8

Preserve me, O God, for in You I put my trust. O my soul, you have said to the Lord, "You are my Lord, My goodness is nothing apart from You." As for the saints who are on the earth, "They are the excellent ones, in whom is all my delight."

Psalms 16:1-3 NKJV

Our Family News

Pray for / Bill and Peggy, Nicole and Natalee, Bryan Holland, Emily Hatley, the church family

Today's Scripture

Yes, you yourselves know that these hands have provided for my necessities, and for those who were with me. I have shown you in every way, by laboring like this, that you must support the weak. And remember the words of the Lord Jesus, that He said, "It is more blessed to give than to receive."

Acts 20:34-35 NKJV

Wisdom for Today

The spirit of a man is the lamp of the Lord, Searching all the inner depths of his heart. Mercy and truth preserve the king, And by lovingkindness he upholds his throne.

Proverbs 20:27-28 NKJV

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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, Matt 10:32-33
Be Baptized Mark 16:16, Acts 22:16
Remain Faithful Matt 24:13, Rev 2:10, James 1:12

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

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Our weekly radio program on Sunday mornings at 9:00 AM.

Meeting Times

Sunday

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

Wednesday

Bible Study **7PM**

Office Hours

Call or check website

"I was glad when they said unto me, Let us go into the house of the Lord." Psalm 122:1

A Helping Hand

By Joe Murdock

It is very easy to get into a routine. Being in this mode isn't always a bad thing. When finding a routine one can be more efficient and effective at certain tasks. This will produce positive results. However, what can end up happening is becoming complacent. When we become complacent we very often miss opportunities that are right in front of us. Certainly changing things just for the sake of changing things isn't productive but being open to growing is a must.

One of the best ways to grow is to be ready to lend a helping hand. Now we must understand there is a difference between a handout and a hand up. Handouts can create an attitude of entitlement and laziness. We must, however, be cognizant to not miss out on opportunities. The Bible teaches us to love our neighbors. What does this look like.

Luke 10:36-37 NKJV "'So which of these three do you think was neighbor to him who fell among the thieves?' And he said, 'He who showed mercy on him.' Then Jesus said to him, 'Go and do likewise.'" Here we start with the end of a familiar lesson from our Lord. The response from the lawyer was short but straightforward. How was the neighbor identified but being the one who showed mercy. This teaches the necessary lesson of a neighbor extends mercy when the opportunity presents itself. Mercy in this context carries the idea of compassion. Compassion is to feel sympathy, that is to be moved in such a way help.

The willingness to be neighborly the way Jesus taught is made clear by reading the beginning text in Luke. Luke 10:29-35 NKJV "But he, wanting to justify himself, said to Jesus, 'And who is my neighbor?' Then Jesus answered and said: 'A certain man went down from Jerusalem to Jericho, and fell among thieves, who stripped him of his clothing, wounded him, and departed, leaving him half dead. Now by chance a certain priest came down that road. And when he saw him, he passed by on

the other side. Likewise a Levite, when he arrived at the place, came and looked, and passed by on the other side. But a certain Samaritan, as he journeyed, came where he was. And when he saw him, he had compassion. So he went to him and bandaged his wounds, pouring on oil and wine; and he set him on his own animal, brought him to an inn, and took care of him. On the next day, when he departed, he took out two denarii, gave them to the innkeeper, and said to him, 'Take care of him; and whatever more you spend, when I come again, I will repay you.'"

No matter how many times I read these passages, I am still impressed by how Jesus uses the word neighbor. Luke 10:26-27 NKJV "He said to him, 'What is written in the law? What is your reading of it?' So he answered and said, 'You shall love the Lord your God with all your heart, with all your soul, with all your strength, and with all your mind,' and 'your neighbor as yourself.'" Remember Jesus was responding to the lawyers biased question of who my neighbor is. Our Lord showed that being neighborly is more than just living next to someone. Being neighborly is having a willingness to go above and beyond in lending a helping hand. When we stop and think about what it means to be neighborly are we demonstrating the kind response that Jesus taught. Or do we have the mind of the lawyer, who would not even say the word Samaritan. When we have the opportunity to show compassion, lend a helping hand or be neighborly will we be ready.

