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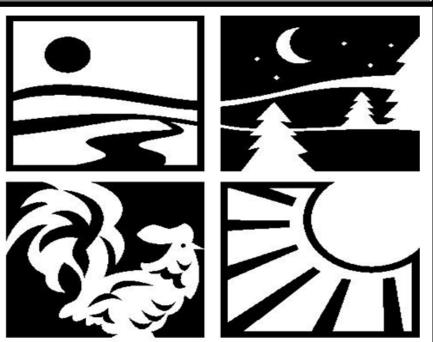
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Watch therefore, for you do not know when the master of the house is comingin the evening, at midnight, at the crowing of the rooster, or in the morning -Mark 1335

We offer FREE: 4 Bible correspondence course series by mail: an 8 lesson series by Hurt, a 6 lesson series "Acts Of The Apostles" by Pharr, the "Studies In The Bible" 30 lesson series, and the 20 lesson series "Getting To Know Jesus" by Pharr. Let everyone know!

Just a Little Bit?

"Keep thy heart with all diligence; for out of it are the issues of life." - Proverbs 4:23

In today's world, people are very concerned about what they eat. We worry about carcinogens, GMOs, preservatives, synthetic trans fats, artificial sweeteners, MSG, gluten and other ingredients to which we could be allergic. The list goes on and on. Just as what you eat can have a tremendous effect on your quality of life, what you are ingesting spiritually is a huge factor in your eternal wellbeing. What is more important than what goes into our stomachs is what comes out of our souls. Jesus said to Peter, "Do not ye yet understand, that whatsoever entereth in at the mouth goeth into the belly, and is cast out into the draught? But those things which proceed out of the mouth come forth from the heart, and they defile the man. For out of the heart proceed evil thoughts, murders, adulteries, fornications, thefts, false witness, blasphemies: These are the things which defile a man" (Mt. 15:17-20).

The devil has done a good job of sprinkling spiritual toxins into the components that make up our current culture. Just as Israel was to get the leaven out of their houses in Exodus 12:15, we must get corruption out of our lives. 1 Corinthians 5:7-8 commands, "Purge out therefore the old leaven, that ye may be a new lump, as ye are unleavened. For even Christ our passover is sacrificed for us: Therefore let us keep the feast, not with old leaven, neither with the leaven of malice and wickedness; but with the unleavened *bread* of sincerity and truth." In his earlier epistle to the Corinthians, Paul asked, "Know ye not that a little leaven leaveneth the whole lump?" (1 Cor. 5:6; cf. Gal. 5:9). Even a little bit of a spiritual toxin is too much. Christians are sometimes naïve to the spiritual dangers they are exposed to on a daily basis. A little bit of lust, greed, pride, jealousy, or anger all have the potential to grow. The devil throws fiery darts of all of these trying to get any of them to catch and grow out of control (Eph. 6:16). As Christians who have escaped the harmful pollutants of the world, we must be on guard that we do not turn back to them (2 Pet. 2:20). We must keep our pure diet of God's word (1 Pet. 2:2).

While any diet is not convenient, it is worth it. Jesus tells us to get serious about sin, guarding our hearts, even when it is not convenient. In Matthew 5:20-26, our Lord shows that murder is the outgrowth of anger. Jesus said anger in the heart for the wrong cause is sin. Jesus grew angry (Mk. 3:5), but it was for a just cause and he did not allow it to cause Him to sin (Eph. 4:26). Just because the Bible condemns murder it does not sanction the anger in the heart that leads to violent acts. In Matthew 5:27-30, the Lord addressed the issue of adultery. Jesus said lust in the heart is sin (Mt. 5:28). Man is made to be visually attracted to his wife (Prov. 5:15-23), and fulfilling that attraction is pure (Heb. 13:4), but lusting after another woman is sin (Job 31:1; Prov. 6:25). Just because the Bible condemns the outward act of fornication (1 Thess. 4:3), it does not sanction a man to lust in his heart (Mt. 5:28). A man must pluck out his eye and cut off his hand, not in physical mutilation, but in drastic spiritual measures, so that his soul is not lost (Mt. 5:29-30). Some members of the church will argue that the Bible condemns getting drunk (Gal. 5:21), but allows moderate social drinking. While much more could be said to refute this teaching, let the present line of argument suffice. Just because the Bible condemns drunkenness (Eph. 5:18), it does not sanction the first drink that would lead to drunkenness (Prov. 23:31). Sin starts small but grows. When the devil is on our doorstep, let's keep the door closed rather than opening it just a crack.

Are you keeping your heart pure, or are there little ingredients that are poisoning it?

-Mark Day

News & Notes



Sermons Today

AM- "Washing the Cup"
PM- "Looking for the Lamb"

Scripture Reading: Genesis 22:1-8

Dates to Remember

<u>Feb 22</u>- All Youth devo & pizza- 7pmannex- bring sides or dessert, soft drinks & a flashlight for each youth

Feb 24- Prime-timers -10am -annex

<u>Feb 27</u>- Ladies Luncheon-12:30pm- J.J.'s Restaurant on Rt. 60

Mar 3- Prime-timers -10am -annex

Mar 10- Prime-timers -10am -annex

Mar 15-Elders, Deacons, Preachers Meet

Mar 17- Prime-timers -10am -annex

Mar 24- Prime-timers -10am -annex

Mar 27- Ladies Luncheon-12:30-place tbd

Mar 31- Prime-timers -10am -annex

Dates to Save

<u>Apr 26-29</u>- Gospel Meeting with Jerry Carmichael- theme: "Come To Jesus"

Apr 27-29 - Morning Bible study classes with Jerry Carmichael - 10am

<u>Jul 27-31</u> - Vacation Bible School - 6:30-8:30p

<u>Sept 12</u> Men's Leadership training— Stephen Rogers

<u>Sept 13-16</u>— Gospel Meeting-Stephen Rogers <u>Sept 17</u>— FBI fall class begins

Gauging Our Faith

	02/15/15	Goal	02/16/14
Bible Study	72	110	80
AM Worship	106	150	128
PM Worship	71	110	nc
Mid Week	42	110	98

Condolences

Our sympathy is expressed to Amanda Scott and family at the loss of her grandmother on the 16th. Also, sympathy to David Smith and family on the loss of David's 101 year old Aunt Nellie Smith on the 18th.

February Ladies Luncheon

All ladies are invited to the monthly Ladies Luncheon, this week on the 27th at 12:30pm at J.J.'s Restaurant on Rt. 60. Join in the fun.

Spring Semester of FBI

The semester started Feb. 12th with a class on 1st & 2nd Thessalonians taught by Mark Day on Thursdays from 7 - 8:30pm in the annex large classroom. Everyone is invited to any class.



🛵 Today's Servants 🙊

WELCOME:

AM/PM: Mark Parks

SONG LEADER:

AM: Brad Morris PM: Steve Wallace

FIRST PRAYER:

AM: Edgar Phillips PM: Tim Hammond

LORD'S TABLE:

Presiding AM: Phil Degelia
Assisting: Jeremiah Smith,
Greg Conley, David Smith,
Denny Deskins, Darick Carter,
Adam Gullett, Roy Murphy

Presiding PM: Chris Scott
Assisting: Will Scott

CLOSING PRAYER:

AM: Don Music PM: Greg Hall

&⊚Wednesday Servants ⊚&

WELCOME: J.C. Hughes

SONG LEADER: Jeremiah Smith

PRAYER: Mark Parks

<u>DEVOTIONAL</u>: Jerry Sturgill

🏖 Weekly Servants 🚱 🤉

POWER POINT: Nathan Parks **BLDG. ATTENDANT**: Jerry Sturgill **ATTENDANCE**: David Castle

COORDINATOR: Matt Vonderheide

Welcome, Visitor!

We are so pleased to have you as our guest today.

If you are a first-time visitor with us, please, fill out a 'visitor card' that you will find on the back of the pew. You may put it in the collection plate or give it to one of the men at the auditorium doors as you exit.

We have tract racks on the wall in the foyer with free tracts and literature. We also have Bible correspondence courses you can sign up to receive by mail at no cost to you. Let one of our preachers know if you would like to set up an in-home Bible study. Thank you for attending.

*** Youth Notes ***

★Every Sunday★
Pew Packers
at 5:45pm in the front of
the auditorium
-geared to age 12 & under

Tonight All Youth Pizza & Devo-

following evening worship. Bring a soft drink, a side dish or dessert, & your flashlight.