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Sunday Bible Study 9:45am
Morning Worship 10:45 am
Evening Worship 6:00 pm
Wed. Bible Study 7:00 pm

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*Do not let your
adornment be merely
outward...let it be the hidden
person of the heart, with the
incorruptible beauty of a gentle
and quiet spirit, which is
very precious in the
sight of God.*

1 Peter 3:3-4

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!

God's Guidelines for Clothing

This season is marked by school letting out and summer fun beginning. What often accompanies hot temperatures is immodest apparel. As Christians, how should we dress in public? First Timothy 2:9 calls for modest apparel. In context, the prohibition against braided hair, gold, pearls, and costly garments shows we're not to flaunt wealth and beauty in some gaudy display. Local custom may play into what is proper attire. For example, Rebekah in the presence of Isaac put on a veil, as a customary sign of modesty and moral uprightness (Gen. 24:65). However, in a different time, in a different locale, on the road to Timnah, Tamar put on a veil attempting to look like a prostitute (Gen. 38:14, 15). Above the propriety of customs related to time and place, God's word indicates how much of our bodies should be covered to be modest. All conscientious children of God should ask themselves what God says about modesty, instead of following what the world says.

Before any development of clothing customs, Adam and Eve lived in the garden of Eden. The Bible says they were naked, but were not ashamed (Gen. 2:25); they lived in pure innocence. After the transgression of eating of the tree of the knowledge of good and evil, things were different. Genesis 3:7 says, "And the eyes of them both were opened, and they knew that they were naked; and they sewed fig leaves together, and made themselves aprons." Realizing their nakedness, they went about to cover themselves. The word for "apron" in the original language indicates something worn around the waist, like a girdle or loincloth. According to their judgment, this covered them, but not according to God. Notice Genesis 3:21, "Unto Adam also and to his wife did the LORD God make coats of skins, and clothed them." This implies that before the coats of skins Adam and Eve were still unclothed. God's judgment of what was needed for proper attire was more than the aprons Adam and Eve had made. God made them "coats"; a word which in the original language indicates a tunic that covers the torso by hanging down from the shoulders. We learn from this account that merely some clothing is not enough. We must have enough clothing to cover us properly.

The instructions God gave to Moses regarding priestly garments also give us insight into this matter. God commanded the priests not to use steps to climb to the altar, lest someone look up and see their nakedness (Ex. 20:26). He also made provisions for attire that would properly cover them, commanding, "And thou shalt make them linen breeches to cover their nakedness; from the loins even unto the thighs they shall reach" (Ex. 28:42). While certainly God wanted a sense of decorum by His priests as they officiated, the explicit reason to have pants that reached from the hips even to the thighs was in order to cover their nakedness.

Consider Isaiah 47:2 concerning Babylon, "Take the millstones, and grind meal: uncover thy locks, make bare the leg, uncover the thigh, pass over the rivers." Babylon is personified as a woman in this figurative passage. God was going to shame the proud nation. He uses the figure of exposing one's nakedness as a symbol of shame (v. 3). We have already considered the cultural connotation of removing the veil that would uncover locks of hair, but God also uses uncovering the thigh to communicate nakedness and shame. If a woman passing over the rivers lifted her dress, or removed her skirt, so that all of her leg was made bare, exposing her thigh, then her nakedness was

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News & Notes



Sermons Today

10:45AM: God's Pattern for the Family

6:00PM: Youth Speakers, Tanner Adkins and Jesse Legg

Scripture Reading: Noah Day–
Luke 10:27

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."



New Membership Placed

Charolette Scott, Chris Scott's mother, placed membership with our congregation last week. Her address is 411 Kenwood Dr., Russell, KY 41169. Her phone number is 606-388-2258. Please, make her feel welcomed.

A Member Gone

Our sister Pearl Sullivan passed away Wednesday, the 26th. Her visitation is 11:30am and funeral is at 1pm on Tuesday, June 1st, at Evans Funeral Home in Raceland. Burial will be at Golden Oaks.

2021 Dates to Remember:

May 30– Graduate Honor Night– 7p, annex

Jun 20-26- Ft. Hill Youth Camp week

Jun 27– elders, deacons, preachers meet-4:30p

Jul 26-30- Vacation Bible School

Oct 17-21– our Gospel Meeting with Allen Webster

Gauging Our Faith

	05/23/21	Goal	05/24/20
Bible Study	85	110	*ns
AM Worship	134	160	87
PM Worship	85	110	68
Mid Week	70	110	*ns
Contribution:	\$4871.00	\$6000.00	\$5145.25

Bulletin Article continued

revealed. This fits with what God commanded back in Exodus 28 for priests. God has the same standard for both men and women in how much of our bodies should be covered. Most of us would be ashamed to be seen publicly in our underwear. But let's be honest. Is typical swimwear any different in how much of our bodies are uncovered?

It is a shame when Christians identify with the world in immodest dress. The potential for others to lust should cause us to be careful about the way we dress. While each man must strive to keep his mind pure (Job 31:1; Prov. 6:25; Mt. 5:27-30; Phil. 4:8), the liberty we have in how we dress must not be made into a stumbling block for others. Even if you think your attire is lawful, it may not be spiritually helpful to others, so keep with the principle of 1 Corinthians 8 (cf. 1 Cor. 10:23-24). Do we follow the Bible when it comes to how we dress in public? Don't seek to attract people by merely outward appearance, but let it be an inward, spiritual beauty that pleases God and blesses others (1 Pet. 3:3, 4).
-Mark Day

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 box 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 our preacher know if you would like to set up an in-home Bible study. Thank you for attending. We hope to see you often.

☞ Today's Servants ☜

WELCOME:

AM/PM: Nathan Adkins

SONG LEADER:

AM: Ranie Wohnhas

PM: Braydon Snell, Jeremiah Smith

FIRST PRAYER:

AM: Jeremiah Smith

PM: Jesse Legg

LORD'S TABLE*:

Presiding AM: Steve Wallace

Assisting: John Gambill,
JC Hughes, Nathan Parks

Presiding PM: Mark Day

*gluten-free bread

Scripture Reading:

PM: Noah Day

CLOSING PRAYER:

AM: Daniel Goshorn

PM: Gabe Scott

☞ Wednesday Servants ☜

WELCOME: Greg Conley

SONG LEADER: Brad Morris

PRAYER: Mark Day

DEVOTION: Greg Hall

☞ Weekly Servants ☜

POWER POINT: Braydon Snell

BLDG. ATT.: Nathan Parks

COORDINATOR: David Smith

ATTENDANCE: John Gambill

*** Youth Notes ***

*** Sundays ***

Pew Packers

5:45pm in front of
the auditorium-
geared to age 12 & under,
but everyone is
welcome to attend

*** Tonight ***

Graduate Honor Night

in the annex-7pm



***Have you
contacted a
shut-in lately?***

***Why not
today?***

