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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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Way"* TV broadcast

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**..." Martha,
Martha,
you are**



**worried and troubled
about many things.**

**But one thing is needed,
and Mary has chosen that good part,
which will not be taken away from
her."**

Luke 10:41-42

**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!**

How Do You Respond to These Things?

With apostolic authority Paul gave the command, “Let no one deceive you with empty words, for because of these things the wrath of God comes upon the sons of disobedience” (Eph. 5:6). In context, “these things” refer to what the apostle had just described in verses 3-5:

But fornication and all uncleanness or covetousness, let it not even be named among you, as is fitting for saints; neither filthiness, nor foolish talking, nor coarse jesting, which are not fitting, but rather giving of thanks. For this you know, that no fornicator, unclean person, nor covetous man, who is an idolater, has any inheritance in the kingdom of Christ and God.

Sexual immorality and covetousness are under discussion here. The world that surrounds Christians tempts us to succumb to its ways of thinking and acting; however, we are not to be conformed to the world, but transformed by renewing our minds by the will of God (Eph. 4:23; Rom. 12:2). Paul continues to give commands in Ephesians 5 that show us how we ought to respond to these sins. We are not to be partakers (v. 7), but instead we are to walk as children of light by learning what is pleasing to the Lord (vv. 8-10). Ephesians 5:11 gives two commands. First, do not participate in these works of darkness. Second, instead of participating we must reprove them, as light exposes darkness. These deeds of darkness are so disgraceful that it is shameful to even speak of their perverted depravity in detail (Eph. 5:12).

Yet, today’s entertainment is often saturated with talk that mentions the particulars of sexual impurity and jokes about it (Eph. 5:3). Covetousness, the greedy desire to have more, is prevalent in our society as well. The two converge when a person covets another’s body for sinful, selfish gratification.

Instead of thinking these sins are no big deal, we must follow the commands of God here in Ephesians 5. Don’t let anyone deceive you about these matters with empty words (Eph. 5:6). Some who serve their own appetites rather than Christ will try to cause you to stumble and create division with beguiling talk (Rom. 16:17-18; Eph. 4:14). Christians must walk as children of light, bearing the fruit of goodness, righteousness, and truth (Eph. 5:8, 9). In the context of Ephesians, goodness goes back to the fact that God has created us in Christ for good works (2:10), righteousness goes back to fact that we are to put on the new man who is truly like God in holiness (4:24), and truth, found in Jesus, goes back to what we were taught when we learned Christ, as opposed to sensuality and greedy impurity (4:19-21). We are commanded to reprove and expose these sins (Eph. 5:11). As we do this, we must, of course, speak the truth in love (Eph. 4:15).

Jesus loved people by telling them what was lacking for eternal life, exposing covetousness on one occasion (Mk. 10:21). Impenitent participation in these sins forfeits one’s eternal inheritance in God’s kingdom (Eph. 5:5). Jesus was against the congregation at Thyatira for allowing the woman called Jezebel to teach and seduce people to practice sexual immorality and idolatry (Rev. 2:20-23). In love, He also rebuked the congregation at Laodicea for their lackadaisical attitude toward Him and their trust in money (Rev. 3:17-19).

How do you respond to the sins listed in Ephesians 5:3-5 that are unabashedly paraded all around us? Do you respond in the way Ephesians 5 commands you? -Mark Day

News & Notes



Sermons Today

10:45AM: Exclusive & Inclusive

6:00PM: Mary & Martha

Scripture Reading:

Luke 10:38-42 NKJV

38- Now it happened as they went that He entered a certain village; and a certain woman named Martha welcomed Him into her house.

39- And she had a sister called Mary, who also sat at Jesus' feet and heard His word.

40- But Martha was distracted with much serving, and she approached Him and said, "Lord, do You not care that my sister has left me to serve alone? Therefore tell her to help me."

41- And Jesus answered and said to her, "Martha, Martha, you are worried and troubled about many things.

42- But one thing is needed, and Mary has chosen that good part, which will not be taken away from her."



2021 Dates to Remember:

Aug 15– Elders, Deacons & Preachers Meet- 4:30p– annex

Aug 27– Ladies' luncheon– Texas Roadhouse -12:30p

Sep 2– Little School orientation– 7p

Sep 3-4– Campout at the Adkins' house– see Nathan or Serpell for details

Sep 10– first day of Little School

Oct 17-21– our Gospel Meeting with Allen Webster

Gauging Our Faith

	08/08/21	Goal	08/09/20
Bible Study	68	110	44
AM Worship	111	160	98
PM Worship	75	110	59
Mid Week	nc	110	49
Contribution:	\$5500.00	\$6000.00	\$5798.86

Little School Beginning

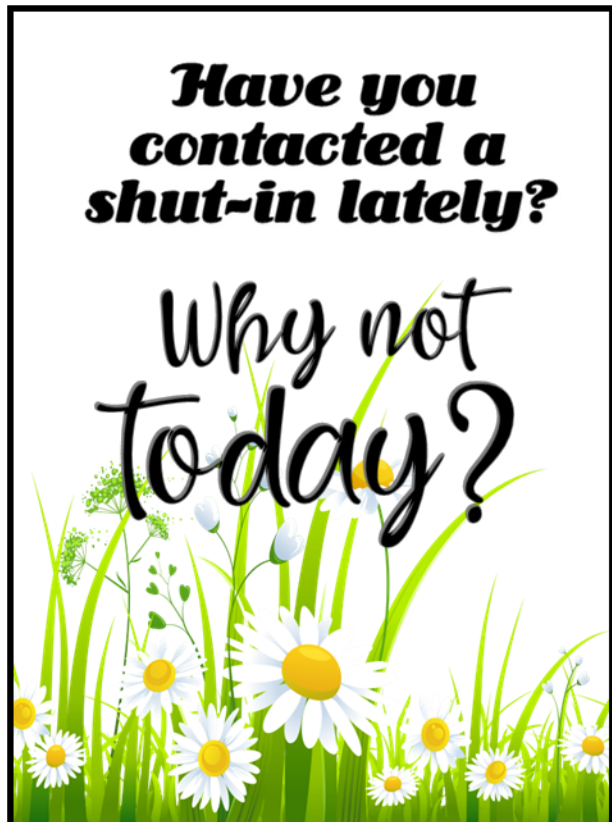
Please, let your friends and neighbors know about our pre-school program for 4-5 year old children. It is held every Friday beginning Sept. 10th, when the Russell School district is in session, and runs from 9am to noon. People can find an application on the church website or we have paper applications you can give them to fill out and return. The office has been sending out an email if you prefer that method of information exchange.

Ladies' Luncheon Restart

The monthly ladies' luncheon will be held on the last Friday of each month, this month on the 27th at 12:30pm. Everyone will meet at the Texas Roadhouse. If the usual date or time changes later on, it will be announced.

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

Why not
today?



☞ Today's Servants ☜

WELCOME:

AM/PM: Greg Conley

SONG LEADER:

AM: Nathan Adkins

PM: Jeremiah Smith

FIRST PRAYER:

AM: Mark Parks

PM: Ranie Wohnhas

LORD'S TABLE*:

Presiding AM: Greg Conley

Assisting: Daniel Goshorn,
Nathan Parks, Chris Legg

Presiding PM: Brad Morris
*gluten-free bread

Scripture Reading:

PM: Braydon Snell

CLOSING PRAYER:

AM: David Morckel

PM: Jessie Legg

☞ Wednesday Servants ☜

WELCOME: Greg Hall

SONG LEADER: Brad Morris

PRAYER: Jerry Sturgill

DEVOTION: Nathan Parks

☞ Weekly Servants ☜

POWER POINT: Jackson Morris

BLDG. ATT.: Chris Scott

COORDINATOR: J.C. Hughes

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

☆☆☆ Sept 3-4 ☆☆☆

Campout at the Adkins' cabin

Sign-up on the foyer board.
See Nathan or Serpell for
details.



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.