PRIVILEGED TO SERVE

SUNDAY MORNING

July 5, 2020

WELCOME: SONG LEADER: Mike Brewer Rod Wilson

OPENING PRAYER:

Bill Davidson

LORD'S TABLE:

Darren Dent

ASSIST:

CLOSING PRAYER: GREETERS: Tom Barkley no greeters at

this time

CARDS:

no card pickup at this time

VISITOR GIFT/

no visitors bags at this time

HOSTESSES: **ba** SCRIPTURE READER:

NURSING HOME:

no services

SUNDAY EVENING July 1, 2020

SONG LEADER:

Rod Wilson Jim Bell

OPENING PRAYER: LORD'S TABLE:

Robert Haves

CLOSING PRAYER:

Tyler Blair

WEDNESDAY EVENING July 8, 2020

SONG LEADER: OPENING PRAYER:

Mark Talbert Kevin Blair

DEVOTIONAL:

Summer Series

CLOSING PRAYER:

Bill Davidson

Please contact Jackie Horton, if you are unable to serve.

SCHEDULE OF SERVICES

SUNDAY:

BIBLE CLASS 9:30 a.m.
WORSHIP 10:30 a.m.
EVENING 5:00 p.m.
LAST SUNDAY OF THE MONTH 1:00 p.m.

WEDNESDAY:

BIBLE STUDY

7:00 p.m.

1st & 3rd TUESDAYS:

SENIORS MINISTRY CLASS 10:30 a.m.

THURSDAY:

LADIES BIBLE CLASS

10:00 a.m.

2nd Thursday of each month: PANTRY OPEN from noon - 1:30pm

Elders:

Gene Blair 501-499-5868

Rod Wilson 501-328-7888

Deacons:

Mike Brewer 501-472-7692 (youth, devos for Wednesday & nursing home)

Ministers:

Glen Elliott Mark Talbert 501-314-9999 931-215-1823

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A Word Repeated

Gathering the family together at the table for the evening meal required but two words—words that rang through the house and, frequently, out the back door. "Supper's ready!" was a welcomed invitation, needing no follow up exhortation. We were slowed to the table only by the occasional "Go wash your hands!" prerequisite. Few occasions were met with such willing cooperation.

Other events were met with passive resistance. Lively feet dancing to the table twelve hours previous were strangely replaced by their dragging counterparts at the prospect of getting ready for school. "Hurry up, you're going to be late!" sometimes gave way to a louder and more threatening, "Hurry! Hurry!"

A word repeated carries greater impact. Repetition can be used as a warning. Imagine alerting someone to the presence of a fire without loudly and forcefully repeating, "Fire! Fire!" Jesus used name repetition as a warning of coming danger or judgment as in the case of Simon (Lk. 22:31) and Jerusalem (Mt. 23:37).

Other times, Jesus used repetition to indicate the certainty of what He was about to say. "Truly, truly, I say to you, unless one is born of water and the Spirit he cannot enter into the kingdom of God" (Jn. 3:6). Twenty-four times such statements are found in the gospel of John—a gospel written with the intent of producing confident trust in Jesus as the Son of God (Jn. 20:30-31).

Finally, there is the repetition of Jesus at the cross where He was wounded for our transgressions and crushed for our iniquities (Is. 53:5). Having no sin; He became sin on our behalf (2 Cor. 5:21). Acquainted with grief, the man of sorrows, in His indescribable anguish and sorrow, twice repeats the name of His beloved Father as He cries out in a loud voice, saying, "My God, My God, why have you forsaken Me?" (Mt. 27:46). Indeed, a word repeated carries great impact.

--Glen Elliott--

Prayer Requests

- *Our sympathy goes out to Gina Ratliff in the loss of her mother-in-law, Francis. Her services were Thursday.
- *Rick Camp's thyroid surgery went well. They are awaiting test results at this time.
- *Ratis Yeager found out he does not have cancer but has a progressive build up of scar tissue in his lungs.
- *Anne Janski is needing prayers as she waits for surgery.
- *Please remember Kristie Brewer's dad, Wayne, in your prayers. He was unable to have a pacemaker put in because of other health issues. He did not have to be put on a ventilator but is not doing well at this time.
- *Continue to keep Cyndi's friend, Leo; Lynda Horton; Jason Elliott; Janet Rhyne; Marilyn Watson; Debbie Freeman; Marilyn Koone; Cyndi Moore's friend, Leo; Daniel Phillip's wife, Cena; Helen Swindle's sister, Shirley, brother-in-law, Jimmy, and Dorothy Tatum in your prayers.

GOING AWAY PARTY/ SHOWER

We will be having some type of get together for Mark at the end of the month. Depending on the Covid virus, it will be determined when time gets closer what we'll be able to do before Mark leaves on August 1st

June 28, 2019

no classes
61
36
38
\$5,400
\$3,461

Breakfast Tea for Kristen (Ratliff) Dodson

Saturday, August 1st 9am-11am at our building

Kristen is registered at Pottery Barn and Target

*If anyone would like to help, contact Jane Barnett, Cindy Bradford, or Gina Ratliff

BIRTHDAYS: (July 5th - July 18th) Elias Guillen Mark Talbert 7/06 ANNIVERSARIES: Elias & Tiffany Guillen Brian & Talisa Swindle Ted & Kathy Peterson 7/14

SUMMER SERIES 2020

A Clearer Vision of God through His Son

July 22nd -Seeing Their Faith (Mt 9:2) George Hulett

July 29th -Fix Your Eyes on Jesus (Hb 12:2) Dennis Gulledge

August 5th -Unless I See. . . I Will Not Believe (Jn 20:25) David Riley

BALANCE IN GOD'S NATURE

The following article is written by a former preacher of the Gospel. While I did not have the pleasure of knowing him, I know his son who is a current preacher in East Tennessee. In this article he writes about the severity of God. We usually view God as always good and loving, but make no



mistake that God punishes when it is necessary. I hope this article serves as a reminder that we need to always strive to be cautious in our Christian walk.

Many people have a mistaken view of God's nature. Most seem to relate to the goodness of God but many forget that there is another side to God. Paul wrote, "Note then the kindness and the severity of God: severity toward those who have fallen, but God's kindness to you, provided you continue in His kindness" (Rom. 11:22). There is a real danger in taking the view that God is all goodness. Some are lead to think that they are given liberty of conduct. After all, if God is only good to us, what difference does it make if we do the wrong thing?

It also would be discouraging to think that God is only severe with mankind. We would have the impression that regardless of how hard we try, we are doomed to failure. We can quickly see that the balance of God's nature is most important. Bible examples make this balance clearly seen. In the beginning, in the Garden of Eden we get our first picture of the two sides of God. God was extremely good to Adam and Eve in what He provided for them in the garden. They were given dominion over all that was there with but one exception. They were forbidden to eat of the tree of knowledge of good and evil. A warning was given. They were told that if they ate they would surely die. God had been good but now His severity was seen. They were removed from the Garden. What we do determines which side of God's nature we see. If we obey, He is good to us. If we sin, we must deal with the severity of God. The choice is ours.

-Written by Frank Higginbotham-