Larry's Lines

Living Like We Please

There is too much difference in the Christianity which is demanded by the Bible and that liberal brand of religion which demands nothing of us today. How many of us are really willing to look at our jobs, our friends, our recreations and say, "I will give up anything that keeps me from the Lord?" Someone has well said, "Too much religion today is a spiritual cosmetic-adding just a touch of color to a countenance not radically changed." Christ doesn't offer comfort but the cross. He doesn't offer an excursionbut an execution. Paul reminds us, "They that are Christ's have crucified the flesh with the affections and lust." (Galatians 5:24) Our them should ever be:

"I am crucified with Christ; nevertheless I live; yet not I, but Christ liveth in me: and the life which I now live in the flesh I live by the faith of the Son of God, who loved me, and gave himself for me" (Galatians 2:20).

A crucified Christ demands a crucified life of His followers. Yet. self control, discipline, and crucifixion have not been characteristic of our generation. All too often our lives relate the fact that we have been undedicated and uncontrolled. The result?

"For if ye live after the flesh, ye shall die: but if ye through the Spirit do mortify the deeds of the body, ye shall live. For as many as are led by the Spirit of God, they are the sons of God" (Romans 8:13-14).

Throwing off all restraints and living like we please has never solved our problems. The prodigal son tried it and ended up in the hog=pen. If we follow in his footsteps we will surely arrive at the same destination.

"Enter ye in at the start gate: for wide is the gate, and broad is the way, that leadeth to destruction, and many there be which go in thereat; Because strait is the gate, and narrow is the way, which leadeth unto life, and few there be that find it" (Matthew 7:13-14).

> Have a Great Week! Larry

Announcements:

Underwear for Honduras. We are collecting new underwear only for our mission trip. Please place your donations in the box provided in the fover. For questions see Linda Huffmaster.

Other items needed. Jeremy's group is collecting a few freebees, jump ropes, deflated soccer balls, and nail polish. Please give to anyone in Jeremy's group.

Pantry Items needed:

Canned Raviolis and Canned Spaghetti

Upcoming Events:



July 8th- Sharing your story of Faith Do those around you know why you choose to follow God?

(Burgers & dogs & chips) \$3 a person or \$10 a family Downstairs tonight. Following our evening service.

JAR ADULT MENTORING PLAN



The mentoring list is finalized and is posted in the fover. The teens are filling out a questionnaire about themselves for the mentors to

get to know them better. (Teens, yours is green) You are looking for this logo.



If you are a mentor, there is a vellow questionnaire form for you to fill out for so the teens you are paired with get to know you better. You are

looking for this logo. Turn in to Jeremy when

When they are completed, we will exchange them. An event is being planned for the fall for the teens and mentors can get together. In the meantime, how can you encourage our teens in their faith?



Happy Birthday

July 8- Lexí Cobb

July 12 - Canyon Cobb

July 12- Ryan Lee

July 12- Kamryn Lee

July 13- Deklen Gardenhire

July 13- George Martin

July 14- Darron Mitchell

Happy Anniversary

July 10th-Ronnie & Cynthia Burns

July 11th- Keith & Sharon Montgomery



EXTREME PRE-GAME

This coming Wednesday night is our Extreme Pre-Game! We will leave the building at 2:00 and go to Fast Lanes in Rogers and leave at 6:00pm to return for class. We will have unlimited laser tag, two games of bowling, and pizza for \$20. Bring a friend!

Our next Extreme Pre-Game is on July 25th and will be at the building. We are planning some challenging games and great food here.

For those not going to Honduras, mark your calendar for a service project with Jackson on July 21st. We are looking to serve those in our congregation who may need some help. Let Jackson know if you know of someone in need.

Those Needing Our Prayers & Visits:

Those with recent health issues:

Those on Hospice: Millie Hood and Oma Leta Smith

Those fighting Cancer: Keith Montgomery, Leslie Cones and Kim Williams (Megan Bassing's Aunt).

Those who have lost loved ones: The Darby York Family, The Lilian Witt family, The Curlee family, The McCoy family.

Those who need your continual prayer and consideration!

Arlie Pennington, Pearl Couch, Emmett Windham, Shirley Bates, Roger and Shirley Gross, Norma Williams, Roy Howard, Betty Jordan, Genevra Montgomery, Vada Loker and Kendra Phillips. Roy Lewis had shoulder surgery on Friday and is recovering well.

The leaders of our community, our state, our country, our Military Service Men and Women deployed overseas, and those traveling this summer.

OPPORTUNITIES TO SERVE IN THE MONTH OF JULY 2018

Lord's Table Ushers Chesley Martin Paul Dickard Roy Lewis Ronnie Burns Lincoln Phillips Terry Huffmaster Bobby Hill **Charles Couch Brad Harriman** Gary Knapp **Chuck Bluse** Colton Lewis Richard Hutton Terry Wilson

Joyce Strope

Virgil Harmon

Greeters

Doris Williams Eric Keeter **Deliver Communion** Joe Harriman

Nursery Attendants

Emma Shew Contessa Shew

Prepare Communion

Announcements

Kevin Murray

Josh Fortenberry

Phil Curlee

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Donna Baker Gwen Baker

P.A. System Jared Cobb

Song Leader Matt Johnson

If you would like email reminders of your service assignment, please provide the office with your email address.



There are many ways to serve in the church here at Johnson. There are opportunities to teach or help in a class for a quarter. Men, there are opportunities to serve in the service or give a Wednesday night devotional. See Michael Marvin to get involved. Don't want to be asked to serve, jump in, there is plenty to do in God's kingdom.

More information about these and other events can be found on the Events board in the fover.

THE LORD'S DAY **ORDER OF WORSHIP**

WELCOME

Announcements Kevin Murray

Song Leader Matt Johnson

Hymn #1014 **Jesus Loves Me**

Hymn #490 (extra verse) It Is Well

> **OPENING PRAYER David Cherry**

Hymn #350 When My Love To Christ Grows Weak

COMMUNION SCRIPTURE

1st John 2:1-2 **Josh Fortenberry**

Communion Prayer Heath Huffmaster

LORD'S SUPPER Offering

Hymn #821 **Pray All The Time**

SCRIPTURE READING

Marc Wolfe



Invitation Hymn #934 (1,2 & 4) **Softly and Tenderly**

Closing Hymn #1015 **Jesus Loves The Little Children**

> **Closing Prayer Larry Dalrymple**

Welcome Visitors!

We are so happy to have you, and consider you our honored guest. If we can help you in any way, please don't hesitate to ask any of our members. We would love to help make your visit a pleasant one.

July Events

July 8th- C.R.E.W. Night

July 10th- Threads of Love

July12th- Elders Meeting

July 16th-24th- Torch Honduras Mission Trip

July 20th-27th- Honduras Mission Trip

July 22nd- 4th Sunday Fellowship

20's & 30's /Sandwiches & Salads

July 24th-Threads of Love

July 25th- Extreme Pre-Game & Birthday celebration with Matt Bassing

July 26th- Elders Meeting

July 28th-Sunnie Rogers & Russell Keck Wedding

July 29th- Youth Led Services

July 29-Aug 4th- Green Valley Bible Camp

Aug 5th- Jackson's last Sunday

AM SERMON OUTLINE What Do I Do when Discouragement

Comes? Scripture: 1 Kings 19:1-4

- 1. The cause of discouragement
- The cure of discouragement
- a. God took care of Elijah's needs
- b. God sent Elijah on a "spiritual retreat"
- c. God asked Elijah to consider God's roll
- in his circumstances d. God urged Elijah to go back to work
- e. God told Elijah to ask for help
- f. God reminded Elijah that he was not

3. Remember that being discouraged is not a sin...but shutting God out of your life is a sin.

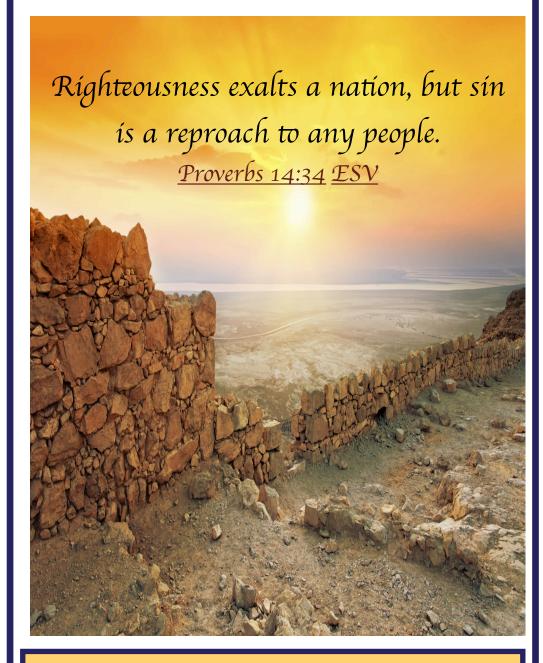
PM SERMON OUTLINE

Our "Wonderful" Savior

Scripture: Isaiah 9:6-7

- 1. Many names are given to Jessu in the Old Testament Prophecies. Some depict His work- His character- His Divinity- His Offices
- Isaiah 9:6 says He is Wonderful
 - a. A wonderful message preached
- b. A wonderful salvation offered c. A wonderful church purchased
- d. A wonderful home prepared

Welcome Johnson church of Christ



July 8, 2018