

Loved of God

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What is the attitude God expects us to have toward those of a different race, color, language, nation, or even social status? Jesus put the attitude perfectly when he said in *Matthew 7: 12*,

"Whatsoever you would that men should do unto you, even so do you also unto them: for this is the law and the prophets."

This rule was not given for the Jewish people alone, but for all people of all races and nations. It is the perfect end toward which all the law and the teaching of the Lord are directed. It requires that each one put himself in the place of the other. We do not want others to be prejudiced against us; we want them to understand us. Hence we are not to be prejudiced against others, but try to understand them.

No matter in what position we may find ourselves, we want to be treated with consideration, fairness, kindness, even sympathy, and sometimes with compassion and mercy. We are,

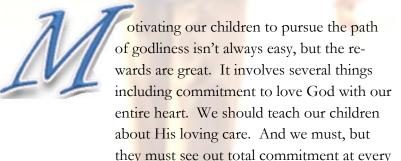
therefore, to treat others in the same manner. This is a very simple principal and easy to understand. If we would follow it, no matter what others may do, it would go far in removing all prejudice and misunderstanding of others, and would also go far in removing the prejudice of others toward us.

The Lord's brother joined hands with Christ, "If ye fulfil the royal law according to the scripture, 'Thou shalt love thy neighbor as thyself,' ye do well: But if ye have respect to persons, ye commit sin, and are convicted of the law as transgressors," *James 2:8-9*. Prejudice has no parcel nor place in the kingdom of God. Material advantage, familial heritage and national credentials are no measure of humankind. We are God's offspring and loved of Him.

May the Lord grant us the intelligence and faith to understand and accept His wisdom and to practice it in our attitude toward others.

Following in My Footsteps

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The path of godliness for our children also involves sacrifice. We should give up those pleasures and habits that interfere with raising godly sons and daughters. They must see that the cause of the Lord is premier. Our personal sacrifice must be apparent

Father's we also need to show our children courage. We need to admit we're wrong and ask for forgiveness when we make mistakes. Our family, who already know our weaknesses, will see Christ's light as we adjust our own behavior.

The path of godliness also involves perseverance. We should show our children how to stay the course and not lose heart. It takes time for children to develop godly

habits. What greater example could be shown than a Father pressing daily toward the goal.

Prayer is another important aspect of godly parenting. Pray that your children will grow in understanding the Lord's character, precepts, purposes, and His love. Faithfully practice the spiritual disciplines of prayer and Bible study. Children should see their Father in bended knee.

The path of godliness for our children means we must learn to live by faith. We should trust in God and please Him. Recognize our bodies are a temple of the Holy Spirit. Insisting in moral courage is imperative, but our children must witness godliness in our own life.

Father we must return to the Lord a portion of our children's time, talents, and treasure. They should hear us speaking to others about Jesus.

Fathers give your children the gift of a godly role model. As they follow in your footsteps, you'll experience the joy of watching them grow in holiness.





News and Notes of Interest to Weatherly Members

FAMILY UPDATES

Prayers:

Phil Furlough underwent rotator cuff surgery on Tuesday and is recovering. Physical therapy will take time. Please continue to pray for **Phil & June**. We appreciate all that they do for our family.

Forest Summers had his scan this last week. He will receive the results on Tuesday at his oncology appointment. Please continue to pray for both Forest & Dot.

Betty Reavis continues the maintenance Chemo periodically. Your prayers for her are both solicited and appreciated. We are praying the changes to her regimen will prove effective in fending off the cancer's aggression.

Ron Harmon is getting along pretty well at home. You are asked to remember him daily to the Lord as you pray. Also mention his caretakers, especially Phyllis.

Ken Cavender reported Sunday that Glenda is about the same, but does not seem to be any better. Please pray for the Cavender's.

Kathryn Wall, Edith Turner's sister, remains on our prayer list as she fights off any symptoms of COVID. Your prayers are appreciated.

Carol Robert's young cousin, Sam Friday, and four members of the Terry & Luci Partain family have been diagnosed with COVID. The Partain's were diagnosed after attending her dad's funeral in Florida. Please pray for them.

Angelia Leyva, Ruth Mitchell's niece, has been diagnosed with an infection in the bone. You may remember that Angelia had an amputation some months ago. This is a much feared development, especially in light of her recent

heart attack and surgery. Pray for her and her whole family. \Box

Daily Prayer List:

Betty Reavis Jean Woodard Glenda Cavender Laura Phillips Melvin Godette Steven Guice

Guest Preacher Today

Mike & Gwyn McLemore are away today visiting family. Jared Jimison will speak in his absence. We appreciate Jared for helping out this week. Be sure to let him know how much you appreciate it.

WEATHERLY UPDATES

We will assemble at 10 am for worship today at the building. You may arrive anytime after 9:40 am and proceed directly to the south entrance. We will get you seated.

Sunday Morning Bible Study will begin at 9:00. That's a change. Mike prerecorded his class for this morning's stream. Today his Lesson from Joshua asks "Can I Really Be strong & Courageous?"

Sunday morning worship will begin at 10. Jared's sermon this morning is taken from Luke 14. Three Be's.

Sunday Evening "Virtual Devo" will begin on Zoom at 7 pm. We will email a link Sunday afternoon. Be sure to tune in. It's always very encouraging.

Wednesday Bible Study — Mike will complete his second lesson on 2nd John. The class was prerecorded. Class streams at 7 pm. No public assembly Wednesday.

JULY BIRTHDAYS



7-19 7-27 7-31 Phillip Dill

Jim Ehl **Donna Godette** 7-19 7-29

Peggy Shelton Mike McLemore

The Greatest Example Author Unknown

As a child I remember my mother reminding to be a "good example." "Others are watching," she said. After all, I looked to the examples of others, especially at church. Those who taught and demonstrated consistency in life. They loved the Lord and I could tell they did!

It's true, one never knows when someone else is watching. They well could be patterning their lives after some of the things that we do. We must strive to be the best example that we can be!

The greatest example of all is surely Jesus. As Christians we are called to "follow in His steps," 1 Peter 2:21. Patterning our lives after someone that was perfect, without any sin, 1 Peter 2:22 would be the best possible choice of a hero, mentor or teacher. Jesus is the one that we need to have as our example.

When bad things happen in our lives we might be prone to think of ways to get back at those that caused our hurt. Iesus never did! Peter wrote: "and while being reviled, He did not revile in return; while suffering, He uttered no threats, but kept entrusting Himself to Him who judges righteously; and He Himself bore our we might die to sin and live to righteousness; for by His wounds you were healed," 1 Pet 2:23-24. Yes, Jesus was and is the greatest example of all!





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TIMES OF SERVICES

Sunday Bible Classes 9:00 am **Sunday AM Assembly** 10:00 am **Sunday PM Assembly** 5:00 pm **Wednesday Classes** 7:00 pm

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Phil Furlough Ron Harmon **David Jacks** Collis Terry

Steve Hagewood Kirk Hatcher Hill Roberts **Bobby Wright**



These are asked to assist in our labor.

Mike McLemore

Jared Jimison

Sunday, July 19

Sunday, July 12

Mike McLemore

Hill Roberts

Opening Prayer: Scripture Reading:

Welcome:

Sermon:

Song Leader:

Luke 14 **Ephesians 3:14–21 Jared Jimison** Mike McLemore

Three Be's

What to Do in a Pandemic

Closing Prayer:

Evening Worship

Evening Worship

Wednesday, July 22

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Songs Leader:

Opening Prayer: Virtual Devotion on ZOOM **Closing Prayer:**

Virtual Devotion on ZOOM

Wednesday, July 15

Songs Leader: Invitation:

Streamed Bible Study Streamed Bible Study

Closing Prayer:

None

2020 Weatherly Lectures

April 30th—May 3rd

We rearet to announce that our 2020 Lectures have been cancelled.

Ouarterly Adult Classes July - September 2020

None

AUDITORIUM SUNDAY

Lessons from Joshua Mike McLemore

AUDITORIUM WEDNESDAY

Letters from John Mike McLemore

Serving in July

Serving on the Lord's Table AM ** Overseer

Lord's Supper PM

Communion Prep Building Lockup

