

Weatherly Weekly

September 6, 2020

2020 Edition, Number 36

Attitudes

Michael W. McLemore

Attitudes are the way we think or feel toward something or someone. Our attitudes are usually an emotional response to a particular situation. Like every airplane must have an attitude indicator that reveals to the pilot the relationship of the plane to the horizon, man must rely upon God's Word, or revelation, to show him where he is in relationship to God at any given time.

Some think that we can't control attitudes. James 5 teaches that our attitude is crucial and reveals three ways that God instructs us to adjust our attitudes. With God's help, wrong attitudes can be changed into right attitudes, just as a pilot can add or take away pressure against the controls to adjust the attitude of a plane. The failure to make those adjustments could be fatal. The same is true when it comes to adjustments in spiritual life. James demonstrates how to make the right choice to have godly attitudes, thus preparing for the coming of the Lord.

BE GENEROUS

James begins chapter 5 by warning Christians who are wealthy and put their trust in wealth, 3-5. The Lord's brother isn't condemning wealth, but its misuse and its power to erode devotion to God and the love of people. An attitude of faith allows us to give to God and others, believing that God will provide for us as well. We must not put our trust in our money.

BE PATIENT

The Lord is coming. Living impatiently denies God His rightful place of authority in the life of the child of God. James reminds readers that the farmer waits on God, so must we, 7-11.

BE TRUSTING

James says, "Pray!" "Sing Praise!" And "Call" for His leaders and servants in times of illness and distress, 13-20. Depend on the Lord by seeking Him. By adjusting our attitudes, it positions us both to be blessed and to be a blessing. □

www.weatherlychurch.com

Standards

Michael W. McLemore

Do we have absolute standards that we all accept in our daily secular lives? Here is an offensive question! How much do you weigh? How do you know? This is the one I don't especially like to hear. How tall are you? We ask our children, "Who told you that?" Let me ask another. How many inches in a foot? Who says so? How many minutes in an hour? What determines the answer? How long is a yard? What if I were "broad-minded" enough to claim that there were 37 inches in a yard? How would you instruct me more perfectly?

In truth we all accept absolute standards in our physical lives. If one was sick with the COVID virus, would he go to an automobile mechanic? If one wanted to build a house, would he go to the druggist? If one had a TV "on the blink," would he take it to a dentist? If we did these things we would be considered slightly beside ourselves.

We recognize that there are specialized fields of training. A man who is an authority on the care, cleaning, filling, and fitting of teeth is not the individual to whom we should take our dirty carburetors! And the auto mechanic is not going to do too much good for that sore back we might have. Granted, he might flatten out our pocket-books somewhat, but he can do little for our physical well-being.

Why then, in religion, does not man consult the proper authority? Why do we lose

common sense, and say that "it makes no difference what you believe, just so you are sincere?" Sincerity and honesty are essential, but they alone are not enough, 2 *Samuel* 6:6-8.

We would be terribly confused if someone switched all the labels on our medicine bottles and household cleaning fluids and canned goods. We wouldn't know, from the label, whether we were taking an aspirin or a rat poison tablet. Let me suggest this is what the devil has done. He has switched all the labels in religion. He has made many counterfeits. The devil could not keep Jesus from building His church, *Matthew* 16:18, so he did the next best thing — He enticed men to make counterfeit churches. Consequently, people are confused. They do not know what to believe, or where to turn.

Those of us who have responded to the grace of God by gospel obedience and reciprocal love, need to help the lost find the way of eternal safety. We are not the authority, but we do know who is! Jesus says of Himself: "All authority hath been given unto me in heaven and on earth I am the way, and the truth, and the life: no one cometh unto the Father, but by me," *Matthew* 28:18; *John* 14:6. Therefore, let us consider every doctrine, claim, belief, or practice in religion under the lamp of the infallible standard of the Word of Christ. And, may our honest attitude of heart say and live by the sentiment: not my will, but Your will be done in all things. Our eternal home may rest in the balance. □



Weatherly Weekly

Watch
LIVE!

FAMILY MATTERS

News and Notes of Interest to Weatherly Members



FAMILY UPDATES

Prayers:

Melonie Power underwent rotator cuff surgery in the last two weeks. She is recovering well and her children are helping to meet her various needs. She's unable to drive for the next few weeks. Please pray for Melonie.

Brooke Hatcher is doing very well. It was great to see her Sunday. Pray for her to regain full use of her shoulder with as little discomfort as possible.

Dot Summers spent a couple of days and one night as an inpatient at Huntsville Hospital. She is home doing much better. We are thankful. Please continue to pray for **Dot & Forest**.

Edith Turner's sister, **Kathryn Wall**, is not doing well. This of course is of great concern to sister Turner. Your prayers for these faithful sisters would mean much to them both.

Remember **Debbie Harbin** in prayer.

Remember **W.D. Patrick** who is anticipating knee surgery soon. We are praying he will quickly rebound.

Steve Guice had his scan at UAB last week. The cancer is stable which is good news. Steve, **Julie** and family are very encouraged. Continue to pray for Steve as he takes the medication to treat the malignancy.

Julie Singleton's sister, **Lauren McNatt**, and baby, **Andrew** are both doing well. Andrew had abdominal surgery Monday. That went very well. Thank you for your prayers.

Pray for **Betty & Bill Reavis**. We are saddened by her condition and are trusting her care to our faithful God. Remember Bill and

the children as they attend to her every need.

Did you see today's cover photo on the Weekly? Yep! It's **Ron Harmon** outside, walking! It's a welcomed sight indeed.

Shane Scott, long time friend of many here at Weatherly, has been diagnosed with COVID. Shane has a couple of preexisting conditions that could cause him to have difficulty with the virus. Pray for him. While he is having some symptoms, they are manageable for now.

Daily Prayer List:

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

WEATHERLY UPDATES

UPDATES: The elders have asked me to encourage our family to participate in the Sunday evening ZOOM Devo, Zoom has fully addressed any potential security issues with its platform. It is perfectly safe. This is a great venue for us to be together. See you tonight!

Sunday Morning Bible Study will begin at 9:00 — Mike is continuing his live stream Bible class series on **Lessons from Joshua**.

Sunday morning worship will begin at 10. Mike is beginning a series entitled "Knowing God" today. Today his lesson is entitled **They ALL Shall Know Me!** His text is **Jer. 31:31-34**.

Sunday Evening "Virtual Devo" will begin on Zoom at 7 pm. We will email a link Sunday.

Wednesday Bible Study — Mike's textual study of 1 Peter continues. Class streams at 7

God is Working!

Michael W. McLemore

God wants us to look at every obstacle through the lens of His unlimited strength and resources. Anything that appears to block His plans is an opportunity for Him to demonstrate His sovereign power. Just because we don't see anything happening doesn't mean He isn't working.

God is at work on the other side of our obstacles, arranging the details and bringing His plans to fruition. It was so in Joshua's day. When the spies returned to Joshua, they reported that the people of Jericho were scared to death. Having heard about the Jews' deliverance from Egypt and the parting of the Red Sea, they were gripped by fear of the Lord.

Joshua had done nothing to destroy that mighty city. Sometimes we think we need to be involved in the solution to our problem, but God is not limited with regard to whom or what He can use to accomplish His will. At Jericho He worked by instilling demoralizing fear in the hearts of the enemy; He made walls fall.

Great obstacles need never be reasons for discouragement. The Lord's work may be silent and invisible, but we can be sure that He is dynamically working. ☐

WEEKLY WALK

Weatherly Weekly



3



**Weatherly Heights
CHURCH OF CHRIST**

930 Weatherly Road SE
Huntsville, Alabama 35803

Mailing:

P.O. Box 4619
Huntsville, Alabama 35815

Phone: 256 881-9535

Email: contactus@weatherlychurch.com

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

Stay informed and engaged online at
www.weatherlychurch.com

WATCH:

LIVE Sermon archive or
live stream during
all Weatherly services



Weatherly's Shepherds

Tommy Hill 256 883-0010
Will Starks 256 883-5273

Evangelist

Michael W. McLemore 256 698-5941
Email: mmclemore@weatherlychurch.com

Weatherly's Deacons

Phil Furlough **Steve Hagewood**
Ron Harmon **Kirk Hatcher**
David Jacks **Hill Roberts**
Collis Terry **Bobby Wright**



These are asked to assist in our labor.

Sunday, September 6

Welcome: **Mike McLemore**
Song Leader: **Jared Jimison**
Opening Prayer:
Scripture Reading:

Sermon: **Mike McLemore**
The All Shall Know Me

Closing Prayer:

Sunday, September 13

Mike McLemore
Jared Jimison

John 1:14-18
Mike McLemore
Secret to Knowing God

Evening Worship

Bible Skillz **CANCELLED** **CANCELLED**

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

Wednesday, September 9

Songs Leader:
Invitation: **Streamed Bible Study**
Closing Prayer:

None

2020 Weatherly Lectures
April 30th—May 3rd

**We regret to announce that our
2020 Lectures have been cancelled.**

Wednesday, September 16

Streamed Bible Study

None

Quarterly Adult Classes
July — September 2020

AUDITORIUM SUNDAY
Lessons from Joshua
Mike McLemore

AUDITORIUM WEDNESDAY
Hope in Exile: A Study of 1 Peter
Mike McLemore

Serving in August

**Serving on the Lord's
Table AM**
**** Overseer**

Lord's Supper PM

**Communion Prep
Building Lockup**

SEPTEMBER BIRTHDAYS



SEPTEMBER 6, 2020

9-8 **Melissa Skinner**
9-9 **Anna Skinner**
9-17 **Aurora Leshko**
9-21 **Louis Garrett**
9-25 **LaNelle Patrick**

9-9 **Abbey Craig**
9-14 **Brooke Hatcher**
9-20 **Sophia Hunt**
9-23 **Dylan Craig**

