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OUR TREASURE

Michael W. McLemore

When one contemplates the riches of grace that are ours in Christ, we cannot but affirm how truly wealthy we are. We have been chosen, redeemed, justified, united with God, and made citizens of heaven. But there is even more to include on our list.

Jesus told the disciples that His departure would actually benefit His followers—then He could send the Helper, the Holy Spirit, *John 16:7,13*. Peter assured the Holy Spirit is bestowed as God’s divine gift to every believer, *Acts 2:38*. Upon our salvation, we are given the Holy Spirit, who seals us as God’s child, comforts us in our pain, and teaches us how to live righteous lives.

Through the sanctifying work of the Spirit, we are becoming increasingly like Jesus, which is another blessing from the Lord. His Spirit transforms us from the inside out and produces godly fruit in our life,

Galatians 5:22-23. He also give us strength to choose righteous living and break unholy habits.

Another amazing blessing for Christians is access to the throne of grace. At any time, we can enter into God’s presence through prayer and worship. Resurrection and glorification are two other treasures for the child of God. Just as the Savior’s body was resurrected, our bodies will likewise be raised; in heaven, they will be made perfect, and we will be free from sin’s presence forever. Sadly, too many of us become so obsessed with the question of “HOW” God does all these things that we miss “WHAT” the promised treasure is.

Our wealth in Christ far surpasses anything this world offers. Don’t let yourself be seduced by earthly thinking which values comfort and pleasure above all else. Instead, treasure who you are in Christ and what you have been given. When you do, peace and contentment will become yours. □

Truth

Dee Bowman

Russell Lowell was well within the mark when he said,

“Truth forever on the scaffold,
Wrong forever on the throne,
Yet that scaffold sways the future,
And behind the dim unknown,
Standeth God within the shadow,
Keeping watch over His own.”

We live in a world where truth has no real definition, where right is relative, where good wears a strange garment, and where wrong is held out as beautiful. It’s a strange world indeed.

The world has no conscience in this age. Whatever one wants to do, he can do it just so long as it doesn’t do too much damage to someone else or—perish the thought—just so long as he doesn’t get caught. What is advertised is pleasure, what is aggrandized is joy, what is honored is popularity. It’s a strange world, this one.

Values are distorted, worth is demeaned, morals are debauched, and, strangely, those who are supposed to be moral, those who are ostensibly the proponents for truth and piety, timidly look the other way, apparently feeling that if they don’t look too much, the evil won’t be as great. Or, worse still, who sneak a peek with some strange reasoning that it’s alright to sneak a peek as long no one is watching.

Relativity has set in with a vengeance. Truth is not definitive. It is relative to what we want to do. Principles suffer the damage of moral pollution and we stand by unconcerned. Standards are no longer standard, precepts are no longer strong enough to hold back temptation, and regulations are only applicable to those who are moral fanatics, and, if we are not careful, we—those proponents of truth—stand by unconcerned. We have constructed a method of moral tolerance that allows us to do whatever we want and still be free from any invasion of conscience.

“The world had no consciousness of things not seen, no traffic with the eternal, no dealing with the undying ages, no sense of God.” (G. Campbell Morgan)

Truth is either truth or it is not. Truth is neither relative nor is it tolerant of impiety; rather, it is objective, provable, reliable, and applicable. If not, we are miserable, wretched, and poor, for God will judge us by that which we cannot ascertain and condemn us by that which has no real meaning. If there is no truth, there is no God. If there is no truth, there is no true love, no real grace, no saving Jesus, no connection to the Eternal. If there is no truth, why bother?

God is truth. He is eternal, uncaused, and true in every aspect and by every standard of measurement. He never has offered to man some record of why and how He is, for He needs no vindication and He requires no proof. Nature declares Him, *Psalms 19*, salvation vindicates Him, *John 3:16*, man’s personal conscience validates His existence, *1 Jn. 3:19-21*. He is truth just because He is.

Jesus is the personification of truth, *Jn. 1:14*. He is “full of grace and truth.” What He says is true and cannot be wrong because of Who He is, *Matthew 22:16*. His word is truth, *Jn. 17:17*. He is true. His word is true. His way is true. He is discernable, because His word is ascertainable, His way is applicable. Truth is by and through Him. He is and He is true.

In a world where truth is indeed on the scaffold, where men regard what they say as being on a level with God, let us take a stand. Let us desist from being diffident or ashamed. Let us begin again to say—out loud—what we know to be true and right. Let us be those “who are of the truth,” those who will stand for right and make plea for the good, who will rescue the perishing and care for the dying, who will make time to tell the truth and who will make a life living it. □



Watch LIVE!

FAMILY MATTERS

News and Notes of Interest to Weatherly Members



FAMILY UPDATES

A Need:

LaNelle Patrick & Julie Guice are great to coordinate our individual effort to send flowers on those occasions when one of our families experiences loss. If you would like to help replenish that fund, please reach out to one of them.

Prayers:

Bobby Ferguson was laid to rest yesterday in his native Tennessee soil to await the trumpet's call at the last. A wonderful tribute was made by our brother **Jeff May** with Bobby's family and a host of friends present. It was a gorgeous Fall day in a beautiful setting. Bobby will no longer be lonely for his beloved **Maple** who preceded him in death. Remember the Ferguson family as you pray.

Peggy & Terry Childress surprised us all when they appeared in our foyer last Sunday. Peggy was released from Vanderbilt last Saturday. She's happy to be home in her own bed. **Terry** said she continues to have a slight respiratory infect that is being treated with oral medication. Your prayers are so meaningful.

We are continuing to pray for **Debbie Harbin** and family following the loss of her mother, **Clara Mae Ortnier**.

Mike Coward was with us Sunday. He is doing well. Also, please continue to pray for **Mike & Peggy's** son, **Keith**, who underwent a rather extensive Heart-Cath last week.

We are continuing to pray for **Zoila Herring, Mechi Hunt's** sister, during these difficult days of cancer treatment. Say her name daily to the Lord.

Michael Preston is better, just a bit winded. Your prayers have meant much to the family.

Betty Dubose was with us on Sunday. It was great to have her back in our assembly.

Maragem Harbin remains on our prayer list. Your prayers are appreciated by the family.

Terry Childress' mom, **Sandra Ivey**, remains in our prayers. Terry and family greatly appreciate each of you remembering her.

Pray for those who are in assisted living facilities and memory care — **Laura Phillips, Jim Risner, Lane Roberts, Dot Summers.** ☐

Daily Prayer List:

Glenda Cavender	Melvin Godette
Laura Phillips	Dot Summers
Charlotte Hagewood	Lane Roberts
Bill Reavis	Ron Harmon

WEATHERLY UPDATES

Update: The elders are working on plans for Wednesday evening Bible classes to resume **November 3rd**. More to come...

Sunday morning Bible Class begins at 9:30. Mike is continuing his series **Divided We Fall**.

Sunday morning worship begins promptly at 10. Mike will continue his series on OT feasts and their NT application. Today we will look at the **Feast of Trumpets: "A Day to Reckon!"** from **Nehemiah 8:1-12**.

Remember our **ZOOM Devo at 7** Sunday evening. If you haven't participated, you will benefit from giving it a try.

Wednesday our **1 Corinthians** study, **Abounding Together** continues at 7 pm. No public assembly Wednesday. ☐

GLORIFYING

Adapted

To worship God is to recognize his worth or worthiness; to look God-ward, and to acknowledge in all appropriate ways the value of what we see. The Bible calls this activity "glorifying God" or "giving glory to God," and views it as the ultimate end, and from one point of view, the whole duty of man, *Psalm 29:2; 96:6; 1 Corinthians 10:31*.

Scripture views the glorifying of God as a six-fold activity: praising God for all that he is and all his achievements; thanking him for his gifts and his goodness to us; asking him to meet our own and others' needs; offering him our gifts, our service, and ourselves; learning of him from his word, read and preached, and obeying his voice; telling others of his worth, both by public confession and testimony to what he has done for us. Thus we might say that the basic formulas of worship are these: "Lord, you are wonderful"; "Thank you, Lord"; "Please Lord"; "Take this, Lord"; "Yes, Lord"; "Listen everybody!"

This is worship in its largest sense: petition as well as praise, preaching as well as prayer, hearing as well as speaking, actions as well as words, obeying as well as offering, loving people as well as loving God. Our worship focuses on God directly and not ourselves. We dare not imagine that there is a substitute for direct fellowship with him in praise and prayer and devotion. ☐

WEEKLY WALK

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TIMES OF SERVICES

Sunday Bible Classes 9:30 am
Sunday AM Assembly 10:00 am
Sunday PM Assembly Zoom 7:00 pm
Wednesday Classes Stream 7:00 pm

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Hill Roberts	Collis Terry
Bobby Wright	

Weatherly at Work

These are asked to assist in our labor.

Sunday, October 17

Welcome: **Tommy Hill**
Song Leader: **David Jacks**
Opening Prayer: **Alex Thompson**
Scripture Reading:

Nehemiah 8:1-12

Sermon: **Mike McLemore**
"A Day to Reckon!"

Closing Prayer: **Gene Preston**

Sunday, October 24

Will Starks
Mel Ambrose
Collis Terry

Leviticus 23:26-32

Mike McLemore
"Fresh Start"

Dwight Ivey

Evening Worship

Bible Skillz CANCELLED

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

Evening Worship

CANCELLED

Wednesday, October 20

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

None

2021 Lectures Canceled

Wednesday, October 27

Streamed Bible Study

None

Quarterly Adult Classes July – September 2021

AUDITORIUM SUNDAY

Divided We Fall
Mike McLemore

AUDITORIUM WEDNESDAY

First Corinthians
Mike McLemore

Serving in October

Serving on the Lord's Table AM
**** Overseer** **** Steve Hagewood (10-3), David Jacks (10-10), Bill Thompson (10-17), Phil Shaver (10-24), Phil Furlough (10-31)**

Lord's Supper PM ******

Communion Prep
Building Lockup

OCTOBER & NOVEMBER BIRTHDAYS



10-26	Dwight Ivey	10-27	Jimmy Harbin
10-29	Charlotte Hagewood	11-1	Sandra Gore
11-1	Lane Roberts	11-8	Julie Singleton
11-17	Brody Besherse	11-20	Riley Monroe

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