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HOW CAN I HELP?

Michael W. McLemore

When you hear the word “servant,” does anyone immediately spring to mind? Perhaps you recall an extraordinarily helpful brother or that wonderful woman in your local church family who always attends to every detail, or who knows to show up when needed.

Godly servants are all around us, but sadly, we frequently take them for granted. This is a tragedy we must correct — not only for their sakes, but for our own. I firmly believe that the faithful service of righteous men and women will bring untold blessings to those whom they serve. Their service deserves notice and prayerful appreciation for all they do.

Joseph’s story reveals a consistent thread: Wherever he was, the people he served prospered. Potiphar was surely not a God-fearing man, yet even he recognized that prosperity

came to him because of his slave. A second Old Testament illustration is Daniel, whose service to Babylonian kings included interpreting visions, *Daniel 2, 4, 5*. In both examples, the leaders were blessed by their servants’ actions. More than that, they became impressed with an awareness of the living God. But, note that these two leaders acknowledged them and participated in the young men’s success by offering them increased responsibilities and greater opportunities to serve, *Genesis 39:1-6; Daniel 2:46-48; 5:29*.

Find the people in this local family who are godly servants. Spend time with them, serving and working together for God’s glory. If you turn your nose up at someone doing “servant’s work,” you’ll only cut yourselves off from a relationship that could literally change your life.

Run toward these people, stand beside them, and ask, “How can I help?” ☐

7 Things That GOD HATES

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It strikes terror in our heart to contemplate the wrath of God or to consider His divine vengeance for sin. God abhors sin. Said the Wise Man, “Seven things God hates!” *Proverbs 6:16-19*.

Our modern society should be assured that this divine hatred is not the sinful hatred of man, rather righteous indignation for evil conduct that is ruinous to both the soul and its present culture. These seven things are opposite of the Holy character of Almighty God. And, if we are to fend off Satan’s ploys to entice us into his grasps, we must develop the same hatred of sin.

Solomon said, “There are six things which the Lord hates. Yes, seven which are an abomination to Him,” *Proverbs 6:16*. An abomination engenders a feeling of extreme disgust and abhorrence. It causes disgust, loathing and is offensive to our very nature. Such is deserving of our righteous hatred. Consider those things which so excite our abhorrence:

1 Haughty eyes, a proud look, gets in the way of humble service. God hates that attitude in man that causes him to have “exalted eyes” and a conceited mind. We have no merit over which to be haughty. Isaac Watts conveyed well the attitude which should drive the child of God: “When I survey the wondrous cross, on which the Prince of Glory died, my richest gain I count but loss, and pour contempt on all my pride.”

2 A lying tongue is the greatest enemy of Him who is the “way, and the truth, and the life,” *John 14:6*. Right!

3 Hands that shed innocent blood — the hands of Cain, of Ahab and Jezebel, of David (a good man who made a grievous choice), of the Jews who killed the innocent one, and of Herod who murdered babes — God hates. Murder, abortion, wholesale slaughter wars, and domestic quarrels that lead to death are offensive to all that is good.

4 A heart that devises wicked plans, is the heart of a schemer. Fabricators of evil conduct have no place in God’s kingdom, for their thoughts proceed from an evil heart. Truth, honesty justice, purity, love, virtuous things are the things which consume the sons of God, *Philippians 4:8*.

5 Feet that run rapidly to do evil are the feet of the unrestrained. These are not just tempted, but pursuing sin. David said, “I have restrained my feet from every evil way,” *Psalms 119:101*. Feet follow the heart! Have we restrained ours?

6 A false witness who utters lies is hated of God. Such was the character of those who killed the “Prince of Glory.” Peter decried it and called for better among the people of God saying, “lay aside... malice, guile, hypocrisies, envies and evil speaking,” *1 Peter 2:1*.

7 One who spreads strife among brothers undermines the work of God among men. Sowing discord is to engender strife and brawling. It is contrary to what is good and right.

We must not let these be once named among us. Righteous character will cause us to hate them too! ☐

Watch
LIVE!

FAMILY MATTERS

News and Notes of Interest to Weatherly Members



Family Updates

Prayers:

Becky Hill is slated to begin her last round of Chemo. **Becky & Tommy** appreciate your prayers.

Jenny Jacks has been suffering with pain from her ear condition. Your prayers help!

LaNelle Patrick followed **W.D.'s** COVID diagnosis by a couple of days. We are continuing to pray for them as they fully recover. Say their names to the Lord.

Riley Monroe also is dealing with the upper respiratory issues that come along with COVID. We are praying that he will be 100% soon. **Peggy** remains at Regency Rehab. We appreciate all of you who are helping with her while the family gets better. You are all truly a blessing to others. You are just the sort of brethren that inspired today's front page article.

Will & Sarah Starks' granddaughter, **Ciera Elledge**, continues her intense Chemo. We are thankful that she is able to do a few normal things as this proceeds. Say her name to the Lord as you pray this week.

Jim & Caryl Ehl are here but Caryl is still not feeling her best. Jim is managing to unload boxes to get them settled into their new home. Keep them in your prayers.

Elaine Dorris is doing much better considering. It was good to see them in worship on Sunday. We've missed them.

Sherrie Stovall's brother, **Parker Jones**, is home from the hospital but is still frustrated by his ability to find the words he wants to communicate. This will take time. Keep Parker in your prayers.

David Hand's remains on our prayer list. He is still anticipating having the second stint removed. Pray for David.

Betty Dubose's brother-in-law, **Leonard Downum** (74), has been diagnosed with a form of Lymphatic Cancer. Tests are still being run to determine the best course to address the malignancy. Your prayers are solicited.

Louise Caudle, Wes' mom, **Louise Caudle**, is anticipating her upcoming surgery on January 30th. Your prayers for her are greatly appreciated.

Zoila Herring, Mechi Hunt's sister, remains in our daily prayers.

Pray for these. Each has their own particular health challenge. — **Peggy Monroe, Bill McCord, Jim Risner, Lane Roberts, Glenda Cavender, Edith Turner, Melvin Godette & Betty Dubose.**

This Week at Weatherly

SUNDAY MORNING BIBLE class meets at 9:30. **Mike McLemore** is continuing his study entitled "Maxims for Living" from Solomon's book of Proverbs. This is a great study. Come open the book with us. It will be of great benefit to each of us.

SUNDAY MORNING WORSHIP follows at 10. **Mike** continues his January 2023 series entitled, **All Things New**. Today's lesson is **Pressing Ahead** from **Philippians 3**.

SUNDAY EVENING WORSHIP begins at 6. **Mike** will lead us in a devotional. Let's all attend.

WEDNESDAY EVENING BIBLE STUDY begins at 7. **Mike** will continue his verse by verse study of the book of **First Thessalonians** on Wednesday evening. Come be a part of the study. ☐

JANUARY & FEBRUARY BIRTHDAYS



JANUARY 15, 2023

1-23	Gordon Dorris	1-26	Marissa Hunt
1-28	Cooper Caudle	1-29	James Risner
1-29	Will Starks	1-30	Jenny Jacks
1-31	Shirley Laney	2-7	Maragem Harbin
2-11	Aaron Gore	2-13	Julie Guice

Computers vs. The Mind

James W. Adams

My grandfather was blessed to live in a world before the computer age. It afforded him an interesting perspective and thus opinions that serve those of us whose lives are progressively being dominated by our electronic devices. (MWM)

"Computers are often compared to the human mind, but while alike in some areas, they differ radically in others. You cannot get from a computer anything that has not been put into it. This cannot always be said of the mind. Someone said, "A closed mind is an enigma indeed. Nothing ever goes in, but odd things are forever coming out."

Jesus attributed the spiritual ills of His day to closed minds: "This people's heart is waxed gross, and their ears are dull of hearing, and their eyes they have closed; lest at any time they should see with their eyes, and hear with their ears, and understand with their hearts, and should be converted, and I should heal them," *Matthew 13:15*. Against the overwhelming evidence of a perfect character, and absolutely selfless and philanthropic life, astounding manifestations of Divine power, and exact fulfillment of hundreds of Old Testament prophecies, Jesus was rejected and crucified by "his own," *John 1:11*, shouting "release unto us Barabbas," *Matthew 27:21*."

— Good News

WEEKLY WALK

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Sunday Bible Classes	9:30 am
Sunday AM Assembly	10:00 am
Sunday PM Assembly	6:00 pm
Wednesday Classes	7:00 pm

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Bobby Wright	



These are asked to assist in our labor.

Sunday, January 22nd

Sunday, January 29th

Welcome:	Tommy Hill	Will Starks
Song Leader:	Mel Ambrose	Hill Roberts
Opening Prayer:	Bill Thompson	Collis Terry
Lord's Table Lead:	Phil Shaver	Tommy Hill
	<i>Philippians 3</i>	<i>2 Chronicles 7:11-15</i>
Sermon:	Mike McLemore	Mike McLemore
	<i>Pressing Ahead</i>	<i>Seek God's Face</i>
Closing Prayer:	Adam Hagewood	Alex Thompson

Evening Worship

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Bible Skillz	Mike McLemore	Mike McLemore
Songs Leader:	Mel Ambrose	Bill Thompson
Opening Prayer:	Will Starks	Phil Furlough
Closing Prayer:	Wes Caudle	Bobby Wright

Wednesday, January 25th

Wednesday, February 1st

Songs Leader:	David Jacks	TBA
Invitation:	Mike McLemore	Mike McLemore
Closing Prayer:	Riley Monroe	Phil Shaver

Quarterly Adult Classes

January – March 2023

AUDITORIUM SUNDAY

Maxims for Living

Mike McLemore

AUDITORIUM WEDNESDAY

1 & 2 Thessalonians

Mike McLemore

Serving in January

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

** Steve Hagewood (1-1), Ed Dill (1-8),
Marty Hunt (1-15), Phil Shaver (1-22), Tommy Hill (1-29)

Communion Prep
Building Lockup

TBA

