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By Dan Jenkins

Your Final Act Before the Final Trumpet

When Jesus foretold the time when not a single stone of that majestic temple in Jerusalem would rest upon another, the disciples asked for signs which would precede the destruction of that temple and the end of Judaism (Mark 13:4; Luke 21:7). The Lord gave at least eight distinct signs which would come before that event. He then foretold of another event which would happen for which there was one single sign to announce its coming. Jesus spoke of a day when, not the temple, but heaven and earth would pass away. He gave no sign for that day, for it will come as an unannounced thief (Mark 13:31-32).

It will happen when men are doing things which happen all the time—eating, drinking, marrying and weddings. It will be unannounced and will come when no one is expecting it to happen (Matt. 24:44). What is happening on that day will be the same things which happen every other day. What kinds of events will be happening when Jesus returns?

When Jesus returns, some will be sitting in worship. Every day there are gatherings of Christians in various time zones around the world like Bible classes, devotions, gospel meetings, lectureships and special church events. This was brought home to me when I preached in Columbus, Ohio, sev-

eral years ago. A brother prayed, “Lord, if you are assembling your angels right now to come to judge the world, we beg you to wait long enough for brother Dan to finish his sermon and let us sing one more song.” It could happen. It is truly possible that He will come before the end of an evangelistic sermon.

When Jesus comes, some will be attending a funeral.

For all the reasons given above, just imagine what it would be like to be at a funeral or at a graveside when that shout comes from heaven. All of the grieving which accompanies these events will be meaningless. Such thoughts should help us deal with the loss of our loved ones. It is truly possible that He will come before a funeral filled with grief ends.

When Jesus comes, some will be involved

in sinful actions. Imagine those who are cursing and blaspheming God and His holy name just as the last trumpet sounds. Imagine those who are involved in sexual immorality as the shout from heaven comes. It is possible that just as words profaning His name leave someone’s lips the heavens will be rolled up as a scroll.

When He comes, many will be involved in “washing the feet” of those around them. What a joy to think that when He comes we will be doing right. Think about this. Live every minute of every day knowing that that minute is when He might come!

What kind of events will be happening when Jesus returns to judge all men?



By David Sproule

Jesus, the Best Kind of Friend

Christian friends are an especially wonderful blessing. Having been redeemed by the blood of Christ and “joined together” in His one body (Eph. 2:16-22), our brothers and sisters in Christ should be our closest friends on this earth. Still, all friendships require work and diligent effort on our part to keep them strong and healthy. And, who would be a better teacher of the qualities, attitudes and conduct of a friend than Jesus Himself? Let’s consider this Friend.

Jesus saw potential in His friends (John 1:36-51; Matt. 4:18-22). Jesus saw the best in them (Matt. 9:9). Jesus had compassion on His friends and provided for their needs (Matt. 9:36; 14:13-21; John 21:1-14). Jesus came down and stood on a level place with His friends (Luke 6:17). Jesus served His friends, even washing their feet (Matt. 20:28; John 13:1-17).

Jesus comforted His friends in times of distress (Matt. 28:10; Luke 24:36; John 20:19-21). Jesus stuck with His friends through the storms of life (Matt. 8:23-27; 14:24-33). Jesus helped His friends, even in the middle of the night (Matt. 14:24-25). Jesus lent a hand to His friend, even when His friend was suffering the consequences of his own actions (Matt. 14:31). Jesus was troubled, groaned and wept at the grief and anguish of His friends (John 13:33-38). Jesus reassured His friends that

with God all things are possible (Matt. 19:25-26).

Jesus defended His friends against unwarranted criticism of their actions (John 12:1-8). Jesus defended His friends when they were charged with a serious offense (Matt. 12:1-8; 15:1-11). Jesus defended His friends against malicious slander, even when those friends were not around to defend themselves (Matt. 11:7-19). Jesus spoke highly and favorably of His friends, especially to their critics (Matt. 11:11). Even when

Jesus had friends who were going to betray Him and deny Him, He spoke of them and of their deeds in their presence, instead of behind their backs (Matt. 17:22; 20:17-18; 26:21-23, 33-35; John 13:10-11, 21, 26, 38; 6:70-71; Luke 9:43-45). Jesus was so careful of what He said about Judas (even in his own hearing), that others did not even realize that He was talking about Judas (John 13:28-29). When Judas came to the garden to betray his friend, Jesus still greeted Him as “friend” (Matt. 26:50). When there was a conflict with one of His friends, Jesus dealt with it and resolved it one-on-one (John 21:15-17), an occasion that involved love and forgiveness.

Jesus prayed for His friends, both in their presence (John 17) and out of their presence (Luke 6:12-13). Jesus loved His friends to the end (John 13:1), even giving His life for them, as completely undeserving as they were (John 15:13; 10:10).

Is there a better teacher of the qualities, attitudes and conduct of a friend?



By Josh Blackmer

I Didn't Feel Like It, So I Burned

Sunscreen—I really don't like using it. It has an undefinable smell, like unpronounceable chemicals and warm, fly-filled, fruit salad. It also coats you in this greasy film that makes you feel like you've overnights in a roach motel. Those may be my opinions on the matter, but science is not even conclusive that it actually prevents cancer. Furthermore there is evidence to suggest that it causes more cases of harmful cancers. My solution has been long pants, long sleeves and a hat. However, at picnics and social gatherings, no one wants to eat next to the sweaty guy. So what do you do? Whatever you feel like, right?

That's what most of us do in the moment. We have a decision to make and it comes down to how we feel. Some of us may operate that way. Our answers on things might be, "It depends on how I feel, but I'll let you know." In a lot of cases, that is a legitimate answer. Some of us might make plans, but when it comes down to the time of execution of said plans, we just don't feel like it. How many times have you heard someone say, "I'm not feeling it"? Moms, how many times have you asked a child to do something, and they "didn't feel like" doing it? How many times have you responded with, "I didn't feel like doing 20 hours of labor and Lamaze breathing either!" The point we want maturing children to

understand is that we will all have to do things that are necessary and vital to existence, but in the moment, we won't "feel like" doing it.

That could be the definition of the word "responsibility." As adults, we understand this, but are we teaching and modeling this to future generations? Compare the jobs and things you were responsible for as a child to those of your children or children you know today. Is there a difference? I know that for most of us the way we lived in our childhood is different than how we are living now. For example, my kids are not keeping a wood box full or breaking the ice off of the water for our animals to drink. But, we need to find age appropriate ways to promote responsibility so that the sense of duty and aught continues into adulthood. The Bible says it this way, "When I was a child, I used to speak like a child, think like a child, reason like a child; when I became a man, I did away with childish things" (1 Cor. 13:11).

"I don't feel like it" can be a childish response. There are a lot of things that we must do, but the zeal to do it is not there. For some, getting up at 7:00 a.m. on Sunday morning for Bible class is really early. For others, gathering with the saints is an inconvenience. On the day of judgement, I am sure that "I didn't feel like it" will not be a legitimate excuse. Jesus could raise His scarred hand and say, "But I felt all of the pain, mocking, rejection and sorrow for you. What did you feel for Me?"

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Articles Published in PBL Family News Emails Last Week

Jesus could have exempted Himself

When Jesus came to John the Baptist "to be baptized by him," John at first "tried to prevent Him," because he understood the purpose of baptism ("for the remission of sins," Mark 1:4; Acts 2:38) and he understood that Jesus had no sins of which to be remitted (Matt. 3:13-14). But Jesus insisted that it must be done, in order "to fulfill all righteousness" (Matt. 3:15).

Jesus could have said (like some people today say about a variety of Biblical requirements), "I don't get how that applies to me. That's really for other people. I just feel in my heart that God has a different plan for me. God understands where I am and knows my heart. I'm ok."

No! Jesus didn't make excuses! Jesus didn't try to explain why God's Word didn't apply to Him! Instead, He looked at God's command (be baptized) and wanted to do nothing less than what God said! What about you? When God lays out in plain English what He expects of us, do you try to find some reason that it doesn't apply to you? Or, do you say, "I must do right!"? – DS



Any fool can do that!

The book of Proverbs teaches us that "a harsh word stirs up anger" (15:1), and "an angry man stirs up strife" (29:22), and "a hot-tempered man stirs up strife" (15:18), "an arrogant man stirs up strife" (28:25) and "hatred stirs up strife" (10:12). It's pretty obvious, isn't it, that "any fool can start a quarrel" (20:3). Question: Are you "any fool"?

Some people go around looking for things about which to quarrel. Some folks intentionally wear their feelings on their sleeve, so that a quarrel about anything is quick to ensue. What "fools"!

The wise man instructs, "Stop contention before a quarrel starts" (17:14). But, how? Paul wrote, "A servant of the Lord must not quarrel" (2 Tim. 2:24). Read that again. So, how do we "not quarrel"? "Be kind to all, able to teach, patient when wronged, with gentleness..." (2:24-25). "Be quick to hear, slow to speak" (Jas. 1:19). "Any fool can start a quarrel," but a "servant of the Lord must not quarrel." Which are you? "Any fool" or "a servant of the Lord"? – DS

Keep in Your Prayers



Pray for These PBL Members

Sarah Collier	recovering at home from surgery
Jennifer Goodale	dealing with severe leg and back pain
Inell Ingram	various health problems
Ruth Milton	Lourdes-Noreen McKeen Rehab (room 208)
Harriet Morris	Manor Care on Village Blvd. (room 109B)
Joyce Parker	chronic bronchitis
Connye Plouffe	recovering from severe head injury
Sherrick Thomas	St. Lucie Medical Center (ICU), undergoing tests
David Thorpe	recovering at home from hospitalization

Long-Term Health Issues

Lillian Bankston	dialysis treatments
Annie Faison	suffering with chronic pain
Janet Hickerson	chronic health problems
Ruth Milton	chronic health problems
Silas Moses	dialysis treatments
Charles Norton	dialysis treatments
Norm Smedley	breathing problems
Patricia Ventress	dialysis treatments

Pray for These Relatives of PBL Members

Jim Frisbee	Lisa Metzkes' uncle, severe heart attack and stent surgery
Craig Fry	Tim Fry's brother, recovering from heart surgery
Skyla Hackshaw	Maria Hackshaw's granddaughter, tonsils surgery
Sharon Landen	Robyn Landen's mother, Wellington Regional (ICU), stroke
Jimmy Logan	Betty Davis' cousin, liver cancer
Joel McLeod	Dan & Luann McLeod's son, recovering from head surgery
Chantel Peters	Maria Hackshaw's cousin, critical condition, leukemia
Delores Sims	Jimmie Banks' mother, undergoing chemo for cancer
James Terry	Chuck Reeves' son-in-law, gallbladder surgery
Mariam Wagenknecht	Dick Kelley's sister, under Hospice Care

Pray for Our Shut-Ins

Millie Ames	Daniel Johnson
Cora Lee Dennis	Don & Betty Matter
Helen Gardner	Deidra Miley
Margie Hardin	Godfrey Pratt
Loretta Holaday	Leigh Puckett
Shelton Howell	Ricky Smedley

Remember
Our Mission Works

Paraguay
Troy & Andrea Spradlin

Pacific Islands
Robert & Mary Martin
Scott & Rebecca Shanahan
Joey & Tammy Treat

Africa
Tamuka Arunashe
Nnanna Aforji

Montgomery, Alabama
Apologetics Press

Coral Springs, Florida
Mauricio Yegros



Church Family Calendar of Events

Monday, May 23

- ◆ **Monday Night Bible Study** at 7:00 p.m. in the Family Room.

Tuesday, May 24

- ◆ **Tuesday Morning Bible Study** at 10:30 a.m. in the Family Room.

Thursday, May 26

- ◆ **Family Group 2 Meeting** at 7:00 p.m. at the home of Josh & Cara Blackmer.

Friday, May 27

- ◆ **PBL Ladies' Prayer Night** at 7:00 p.m. at the home of Skye Brown. All ladies are welcome.

Saturday, May 28

- ◆ **VBS Work Day** from 9:00 a.m. until noon. All members are encouraged to come and help prepare decorations. The Media Center will also be available for teachers to work on their lessons. See Nate or Cindy Nelson for more details.

Sunday, May 29

- ◆ **Fifth Sunday Singing** during evening assembly.

Saturday, June 4

- ◆ **VBS Work Day** from 9:00 a.m. until noon.
- ◆ **Widows & Widowers Luncheon** from 11:30 a.m. until 2:30 p.m. at the home of Kane & Fran Campbell. Come and enjoy food, fun and fellowship. RSVP to Kane & Fran Campbell or Joan Holloway.

Sunday, June 5

- ◆ **Mt. Dora Coin Can Deadline.** Return cans to the office.
- ◆ **High School Graduates' Luncheon** after morning worship. All members are encouraged to attend and bring a potluck dish to share.
- ◆ **Renova/North Lake Nursing Home Visit** at 2:30 p.m.

Saturday, June 11

- ◆ **VBS Work Day** from 9:00 a.m. until noon.

Sunday, June 12

- ◆ **Leadership Training Camp Lessons Presented** by the young men and women. There will be a separate Bible class for the ladies.

Palm Beach Lakes church of Christ
Young Adults

Saturday, May 28

- ◆ **VBS Work Day** from 9:00 a.m. until noon. The Media Center will also be available for teachers to work on their lessons. See Nate or Cindy Nelson for more details.

Saturday, June 4

- ◆ **VBS Work Day** from 9:00 a.m. until noon.
- ◆ **Young Adult Devo** at 6:00 p.m. at the home of Rachel Fuller.

Monday, June 6

- ◆ **Young Adult Ladies' Prayer Night** at 6:30 p.m. Location TBD.

Saturday, June 11

- ◆ **VBS Work Day** from 9:00 a.m. until noon.

Wednesday-Friday, June 15-17

- ◆ **VBS Decoration Setup** beginning immediately after Bible Study on Wednesday evening and Thursday & Friday at 6:30 p.m.



Palm Beach Lakes
Youth

Sunday, May 22

- ◆ **Jr. High Family Devo** after evening worship Bring a drink, dessert or chips.
- ◆ **Sr. High Devo** after evening worship at the home of David & Traci Sproule.

Saturday, May 28

- ◆ **VBS Work Day** from 9:00 a.m. until noon. See Nate or Cindy Nelson for more details.

Saturday, June 4

- ◆ **VBS Work Day** from 9:00 a.m. until noon.

Sunday, June 5

- ◆ **High School Graduates' Luncheon** after morning worship. All members are encouraged to attend and bring a potluck dish to share.

Wednesday, June 8-11

- ◆ **Leadership Training Camp for Young Men & Women.** See Dan Jenkins, David Sproule or Josh Blackmer for details.

June 2016



Sunday	Monday	Tuesday	Wednesday	Thursday	Friday	Saturday
			1 b Cynthia Ingraham b Melinda Price b Austin Williams	2 a Ken & Connie Tipton	3 b Jenny Jordan b Daniel Swayne	4 ☆ VBS Work Day ☆ Widows & Widowers Luncheon ☆ Young Adult Devo
5 ☆ Mount Dora Coin Can Deadline ☆ High School Grads' Luncheon ☆ Renova/ North Lake Nursing b Lance Collier b Haley Hall b Shirley Hopkins b Brandon Thomas	6 ☆ Young Adult Ladies' Prayer Night b Sandy DeVall	7 a David & Daisy Lord b Maria Hackshaw	8 b Maggie Dozier	9 a Stephen & Carolina Beliech a Scott & Linda Studer b Namdidie Ikon	10 a Bill & Gai Ingram b Phiyona Patterson b Amberdenise Puckett b Joshua Seames	11 ☆ VBS Work Day b Betsy Donahue b Richard Watson
Leadership Training Camp for Young Men & Women (June 8th-11th)						
12 ☆ Leadership Training Camp Lessons Presented ☆ Youth & Family Singing	13 a Tim & Susie Cox b Judie Jenkins	14 a Jeff & Diane Leslie	15 a Gary & Sue Shelt b Rosemarie Joseph b Austin Metzkes	16 b Ally Alberga b Michael Fox	17 b Helen Gardner b Nyla Hackshaw b Mary Jackson	18 ☆ Young Adult Mini-Golf a Dan & Judie Jenkins b Charlies Fifield
VBS Setup Nights (17th-19th)						
19 a Dirk & Elizabeth Summerlot b Judy Carmack b Gwen Lyons	20 a Cam & Hollie Crotts a Dan & Loni Fuller b Evetta Wilson	21 a Ivan & Amber Villard b Eddie Gooden	22 b Kahla King	23 a Namdidie & Ekaette Ikon b Les Sawyer	24 b Morris McDaniel	25 a Tom & Rose Martens b Rodney Woods
Vacation Bible School (June 19th-22nd)						
26 ☆ Single Ladies' Luncheon ☆ Jr. High Family Devo	27 a Joe & Marian Holland b Iva Ardoin b Mary Thomas	28 ☆ Family Group 3 Meeting b Cam Crotts b Cheryl Milton	29 b Steven Livergood b Dorothy Savage	30 a Edward & Ellen Gager b Adrienne Gadson		

"...always abounding in the work of the Lord..." (1 Cor. 15:58)



Sunday,
May 15

Thank you to my brothers and sisters in Christ for all of your prayers and kind words offered during the passing of my sister.
Love, Jimmie Banks



Directory Changes

Lowell Flowers & Kathy Kelley placed membership Sunday, May 15.

LOCAL VISITORS: Ms. Gail Archer; Ms. Vivian Arrowsmith; Greg Bland; Mr. Jean Charles; Ms. Susan Crosswhite; Mr. & Mrs. Paul Flowers; Mr. Deshawn Frage; Mr. & Mrs. Gary Gerber; Mr. & Mrs. Errol Gower-Winter; Keith Hatchett; Ms. Rebecca Huffman; Mr. & Mrs. Dennis Mann; Mrs. Sharon Reitz; Michael Singer; Miss Camele Sinclair; Vincent Way; Mrs. Machelles Williams; and Miss Michelle Williams.

OUT OF TOWN VISITORS: Mr. & Mrs. Carl Champ, Ocala, FL; Miss Danielle Dixon, Tallahassee, FL; Ms. Marcia Farrar, Port St. Lucie, FL; Ms. Lisa Foreman, Richmond, VA; Mr. & Mrs. Charles Henry, Cincinnati, OH; Mrs. Lynne Hirsh, Evans, GA; Mr. & Mrs. Daniel Jenkins, Abilene, TX; Bethany Leslie, Orlando, FL; Sabrina Lolo; Mr. & Mrs. John Lord, Delray Beach, FL; Doug Ludolph; Mr. & Mrs. James Moyer, Ocala, FL; Mr. & Mrs. John Richardson, Mayfield, KY; and Mrs. Cindy Strobe, Bargersville, IN.

Birthdays & Anniversaries This Week

Sunday (May 22nd)

Willie & Mattie Cox (Ann.)
Phyiona Patterson
Nellie Batitsky

Monday (May 23rd)

John & Sue Hoelzer (Ann.)
Natasha Campbell
Tyler Williams

Tuesday (May 24th)

Nate & Cindy Nelson (Ann.)
Lisa Holaday
Anthony Reed

Wednesday (May 25th)

Jeff & Sharon Feeny

Thursday (May 26th)

Lawrence & Julie Williams (Ann.)
Gloria Boyd
Helen Chapman
Bob Higbee

Friday (May 27th)

Bob & Sandi Hanna (Ann.)

Saturday (May 28th)

Margie Hardin
Peggy Simpkins

Those to Serve

If you cannot serve, please call Mike Ellis at 775-3533.

If you are scheduled to serve on Sunday morning, please meet in the Grades 6-8 classroom at 9:50 a.m.

If you are scheduled to serve on Sunday evening, please meet at the front of the auditorium at 5:50 p.m.

Sunday Morning, May 22

Lead Singing Gary Friedly
Opening Prayer Orlando Lolo
Presiding at Table Bill Ingram, Jr.
Serve at Table:
Shea Brown Paul Metzkes
Josue Charles Scott Studer
Cam Crofts Chris Thomas
Wallace Jones Clayton Trujillo
Alternates:
Les McQuinn Nate Nelson
Closing Prayer Gary Seames

Sunday Evening, May 22

Lead Singing Jerry Pittman
Opening Prayer Justin Maloney
Scripture Reading Michael Fox
Presiding at Table Mike Erickson
Serve at Table:
Nick Pietro
Vincent Rogers
Mike Trujillo
Closing Prayer Dan Fuller

Wednesday Evening, May 25

Lead Singing Adam Seal
Invitation Tim Fry
Family Prayer Gary Jenkins

Our Record

Attendance	May 15	Apr. Avg.
Sun. Bible Study	253	230
Sun. A.M. Worship	393	366
Sun. P.M. Worship	184	180
Wed. Bible Study	186	197
Contribution	\$15,177	\$16,451
2016 Weekly Budget: \$14,660		
Y-T-D Contribution-to-Budget: +20,232		

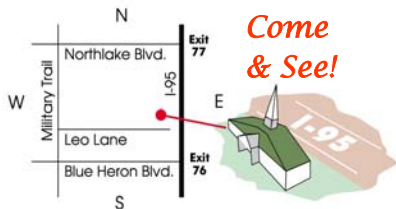
Ushers for week of **May 22** Head Usher: Kane Campbell; David Thorpe & Kevin Weeks



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Service Schedule

Sunday:

Bible Classes..... 9:00 a.m.
Worship 10:00 a.m.
Worship 6:00 p.m.

Wednesday:

Bible classes 7:00 p.m.

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Upcoming Events

May 29

Fifth Sunday Singing

June 8-12

Leadership Training Camp for Young Men & Women

June 19-22

Vacation Bible School

July 2

Area-Wide & Homecoming Singing

July 3

Homecoming Sunday

July 17-23

Jenkins' Week at Central Florida Bible Camp

July 31

Fifth Sunday Singing