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**Sunday Morning Adult Bible Classes
THRU DECEMBER 10**

<i>The Parables of Jesus (Part 2)</i>	Richard Watson (Auditorium)
<i>A Man of God</i>	Dan Jenkins (Adult 1)
<i>Ladies: A Woman of God</i>	Traci Sproule (Adult 2)

- 100% of the weeks in a year have a first day
- 100% of the first days of the week have a worship service
- 100% of New Testament worship services can draw you closer to God
- 100% of the world needs the gospel right now
- 100% of Christians who sow the gospel seed are a success
- 100% of Christians who study the Bible and obey it will be blessed
- 100% of the prayers of faithful Christians are heard by God
- 100% of the prayers of faithful Christians are answered by God
- 100% of the members of the church need the other members
- 100% of the elders in the church need your prayers and encouragement
- 100% of your life, time, money and talents belong to God
- 100% of Jesus' death on the cross was intended for you



By Dan Jenkins

Some People Talk Too Much

Let me suggest that the next time you look in a mirror you take a second look. There is an ancient proverb which says, "God has given us two eyes that we might see much, and two ears that we may hear much; but He has given us but one tongue and that is fenced in with teeth to remind us that as we see and hear much, we should speak but little." Just think about that as you stand there and look at yourself.

I do not know the origin of that proverb, but the truth found within it is verified by the words of Solomon, the wisest king. We would all be better people if we take time to meditate on the following proverbs given to us by our Creator.

Solomon said, "In the multitude of words sin is not lacking, but he who restrains his lips is wise" (Prov. 10:19). Do you want to be wise in the eyes of God? Then do not live by a human philosophy that says, "I have a right to say anything in any place at any time I want to." Read the proverb again. Does it not indicate that the more you talk, the more likely you are to sin.

Listen to Solomon again. "He who guards his mouth preserves his life, But he who opens wide his lips shall have destruction" (Prov. 13:3). Think of how often relationships, especially in marriage, are damaged because of the failure to

guard what we say. Once those bitter words leave our lips they can never be recalled. Read the proverb again and notice the words chosen by God are not "may have," but "shall have." Think about this, and be wise.

Engrave these words of Solomon on your heart: "Even a fool is counted wise when he holds his peace; when he shuts his lips, he is considered wise" (Prov. 17:28). It is likely that there is wisdom which we often speak, but it is not seen for it is covered up by all the other verbiage which accompanies it. Just remember that the most foolish person can be considered to be a wise one, as long as he keeps quiet. Sometimes it is better to be viewed as a fool than to open our mouths and confirm it.

Finally, add these words of wisdom. "Do you see a man who is hasty in his words? There is more hope for a fool than for him" (Prov. 29:20). We look at fools and consider them hopeless, but there is someone who is even worse than a fool—"...he who is hasty in his words." These words are not just a philosophical idea a scholar wrote. They are the words of heaven. If you've ever thought that you probably talk too much, you probably do! Every good relationship, even marriage, demands communication, but too often relationships are ruined by the abundance of words.

So take a look at the mirror of His word and change the reflection you see in that mirror.

Take time to look at yourself in the mirror of His word and change what you see!



By David Sproule

When Extension Cords Become Smarter Than People

The English language almost seems to run out of adjectives to describe the blatant and absurd foolishness to which many in our society have fallen. They are so bent on running away from God and anything resembling godliness or Biblical values that they run into an irrational, nonsensical and mindless abyss of darkness. Someone might say that is an unfair charge and represents a closed-minded position that does not want to understand "the other side." But let's see if we can examine just one thing.

It was recently reported that...read this carefully...the B-O-Y Scouts of America are now going to allow G-I-R-L-S to join their ranks. The God of heaven put a brain in all of our heads that has the ability to think on its own, without a biased media or godless culture telling us what we should think. Every rational, sensible, fair-minded being understands that a boy is not the same thing as a girl and a girl is not the same thing as a boy. But, for some reason, our society is bent on blurring that very clear line of distinction. Next thing you know, they are going to be telling us that our right hand is our left hand (if it wants to be) and our left hand can be our right.

God warned us about these kinds of people. Having turned from God and everything that might be pleasing to

God, men "became futile in their thoughts, and their foolish hearts were darkened. Professing to be wise, they became fools" (Rom. 1:21-22). That is God talking. The depth of a man's folly when he rejects God knows no limits. "Wisdom is too lofty for a fool" (Prov. 24:7). "Folly is joy to him who is destitute of discernment" (15:21). "The mouth of fools feeds on foolishness" (15:14). "The way of a fool is right in his own eyes" (12:15). "The foolish man reproaches [God] all day long" (Psa. 74:22).

So what does God tell us to do? For starters, "Buy the truth, and do not sell it, Also wisdom and instruction and understanding" (Prov. 23:23). Consider each of those words individually. But then, "Go from the presence of a foolish man, When you do not perceive in him the lips of knowledge" (14:7).

When you go to the hardware store and buy an extension cord, it has two ends on it—a male end and a female end. It does not take an overabundance of wisdom to discern why each end is so designated nor to discern which end is which. How long will it be until we are told that those two ends are identical or interchangeable or even indistinguishable? What a day of folly that will be! It is the "fool" who says, "There is no God" (Psa. 14:1), and the preposterous depth of the depravity that follows "shows everyone that he is a fool" (Ecc. 10:3). Brethren, be wise! Be wary! Be prayerful!

Now they are going to tell us that our right hand is our left hand.



By Josh Blackmer

Lessons From the Table (Part 1)

It could be argued that the most important piece of furniture in your home is the table. Many of the most important meetings in government, business and social life have happened around that same piece of furniture. What lessons can we learn from those moments around the table in the Bible?

At David’s table we learn kindness. “David said to him, ‘Do not fear, for I will surely show kindness to you for the sake of your father Jonathan, and will restore to you all the land of your grandfather Saul; and you shall eat at my table regularly’... So Mephibosheth ate at David’s table as one of the king’s sons” (2 Sam. 9:7, 11). Mephibosheth was lame in both feet and the grandson of an ousted king. But to David he was the son of a close friend. David summoned him to bless him and Mephibosheth’s response was, “What is your servant that you would regard a dead dog like me?” (2 Sam. 9:8). David restored to him all the lands of his grandfather Saul and he would eat as a privileged guest at the king’s table. This kindness was never forgotten by Mephibosheth, as he proved to be a strong supporter of David.

At Nehemiah’s table we learn generosity. “Moreover, there were at my table one hundred and fifty Jews and officials, besides those who came to us from the nations that were

around us. Now that which was prepared for each day was one ox and six choice sheep, also birds were prepared for me; and once in ten days all sorts of wine were furnished in abundance. Yet for all this I did not demand the governor’s food allowance, because the servitude was heavy on this people” (Neh. 5:17-18). It was within his power to demand the governor’s food allowance, however, seeing the demand on the people he chose to give instead of receive. This is the blessing of generosity (Acts 20:35).

What lessons could we learn around your table?

At the table of the false prophet we learn obedience. “So he went back with him, and ate bread in his house and drank water. Now it came about, as they were sitting down at the table, that the word of the LORD came to the prophet who had brought him back; and he cried to the man of God who came from Judah, saying, ‘Thus says the LORD, ‘Because you have disobeyed the command of the LORD, and have not observed the commandment which the LORD your God commanded you, but have returned and eaten bread and drunk water in the place of which He said to you, ‘Eat no bread and drink no water’; your body shall not come to the grave of your fathers’” (1 Kgs. 13:19-22). The man of God from Judah disobeyed the command of God. Here we learn the importance of obedience, no matter what others say (Eph. 5:6). There are so many lessons that were taught around the table. Take advantage of this strategic place in your home and do the same.

Articles Published in PBL Family News Emails Last Week

“I haven’t seen one of those in a long time!”

On a recent flight, I sat down next to a very talkative lady. In my lap was a legal pad and my Bible. “Is that an actual book?” she quickly asked, “You don’t see those much anymore, with everyone using electronic devices.” “Yes,” I gently responded, “it’s my Bible” (realizing that she had not recognized what kind of “book” it was). Her surprise was evident. “Oh, wow! You really don’t see those very often! I haven’t seen one of those in years, since I was a kid.”

That saddened me. Then, listening to her for the rest of the flight, it was evident where a life ends up when you haven’t seen a Bible in years. It occurred to me, how many other people in our lives haven’t seen a Bible in a while? While the actual book may escape them, have people ever seen “an epistle of Christ” being lived out in front of them (2 Cor. 3:2-3)? As some have noted, “You may be the only Bible some people ever read.”

People should see in you “the Bible,” lived out in real, vivid, living color! Are they? – DS



When our “swifts” and our “slows” get mixed up

Have you ever noticed that many people tend to have “selective hearing,” but very few seem to have “selective speaking”? There are some folks who are just more interested in being heard than actually listening.

There are a number of proverbs that speak to this matter of speaking. Consider these three. “Do you see a man hasty in his words? There is more hope for a fool than for him” (29:20). “In the multitude of words sin is not lacking, but he who restrains his lips is wise” (10:19). Paraphrasing Proverbs 18:13, “If I speak about a matter before I hear, I’m a fool.”

God calls upon Christians, “Let every man be swift to hear, slow to speak, slow to wrath” (1:19). Someone observed that there is a reason God gave us two ears and one mouth! We should listen twice as much as we speak! Which one gets more use in your life and mine? The New American Standard Bible begins James 1:19, “This you know.” Do we? – DS

Keep in Your Prayers



Pray for These PBL Members

Mike Archer	at home and slowly regaining strength
Adrienne Banks	recovering at home and doing well
Joe Holland	now at home and slowly improving
Tom Martens	undergoing therapy at home
Silas Moses	Rehab Center of the Palm Beaches (room 405)
Charles Norton	St. Mary's Medical Center (room 3317), fluid on lungs
Godfrey Pratt	Rehab Center of the Palm Beaches (room 414B)
Cathy Seay	recovering at home, continues to improve
Kyle Sink	recovering from shoulder surgery, doing well



Pray for These Relatives of PBL Members

Pat Pittman	Jerry Pittman's brother, under Hospice Care, broken hip
Jane Woodruff	Jackie Stout's sister, stage 4 pancreatic cancer
Twyla Wright	Trina Wright's mother, still in rehab at St. Mary's, stroke

Long-Term Health Issues

Lillian Bankston	dialysis treatments
Silas Moses	dialysis treatments
Charles Norton	dialysis treatments
Norm Smedley	breathing problems
Patricia Ventress	dialysis treatments

Pray for Our Shut-Ins

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

Remember
Our Mission Works

Pacific Islands
Robert & Mary Martin
Wayne & Kristi Parker
Joey & Tammy Treat

Africa
Tamuka Arunashe
Nnanna Aforji

Montgomery, Alabama
Apologetics Press

Coral Springs, Florida
Mauricio Yegros



Church Family Calendar of Events

Sunday, October 15

- ◆ **New 10-Week Classes Begin** for Jr. High, Sr. High and Adults.
- ◆ **No "Fortifying Your Faith" Class.**
- ◆ **H2H Congregational Labeling Night** after evening worship in the Family Room. Everyone is encouraged to stay and help out.

Monday, October 16

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

Tuesday, October 17

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

Thursday, October 19

- ◆ **Family Group 2 Meeting** at 7:00 p.m. at the home of David & Traci Sproule.

Saturday, October 21

- ◆ **Costume Party for 55+ hosted by the Jr. High Youth** at 3:00 p.m. RSVP by October 18 to Sarah Collier or Ivan & Amber Villard.

Sunday, October 22

- ◆ **"Fortifying Your Faith" Class** at 5:00 p.m. in the Family Room.

Sunday, October 29

- ◆ **No "Fortifying Your Faith" Class.**
- ◆ **Fifth Sunday Night Cook Off** after evening worship in the Family Room. See David Sproule for more details.

Sunday, November 5

- ◆ **Daylight Saving Time Ends.** Don't forget to set your clocks back one hour.
- ◆ **Single Ladies' Luncheon** after morning worship. See Joan Holloway for more details.
- ◆ **Renova/North Lake Nursing Home Visit** at 2:30 p.m.
- ◆ **Baby Shower for David & Casey Bound** at 4:30 p.m. in the Family Room. They are registered at Amazon & Target. *It's a boy!*

Wednesday, November 8

- ◆ **No Midweek Services.** We will not be meeting for Bible Classes on Wednesday evening. Instead, we will be meeting on Thursday night for opening night of our Lectureship.

Palm Beach Lakes church of Christ **Young Adults**

Friday, October 20

- ◆ **Sr. High & Young Adult Ladies' Hangout** at 7:30 p.m. at the home of Rachel Fuller. Bring snacks, drinks and your Bible.

Friday, October 27

- ◆ **Young Adult Costume Party** at 7:00 p.m. at the home of Ivan & Amber Villard. Bring appetizers and desserts to fit the occasion, and dress up!

Friday, November 3

- ◆ **Sr. High & Young Adult Ladies' Hangout** at 7:30 p.m. at the home of Rachel Fuller. Bring snacks, drinks and your Bible.

Saturday, November 4

- ◆ **Young Adult Devo** at 6:00 p.m. at the home of Ivan & Amber Villard.

Monday, November 6

- ◆ **Young Adult Ladies' Prayer Night** at 6:30 p.m. at the home of Rachel Fuller.



Palm Beach Lakes **Youth**

Friday, October 20

- ◆ **Sr. High & Young Adult Ladies' Hangout** at 7:30 p.m. at the home of Rachel Fuller. Bring snacks, drinks and your Bible.

Saturday, October 21

- ◆ **Costume Party for 55+ hosted by the Jr. High Youth** at 3:00 p.m. See Sarah Collier or Ivan & Amber Villard for more details.

Sunday, October 22

- ◆ **Jr. High Family Devo** after evening worship. Please bring a drink, dessert or chips.
- ◆ **Sr. High Family Devo** after evening worship.

Saturday, October 28

- ◆ **Sr. High Fall Fest.** See Josh Blackmer for more details.

Friday, November 3

- ◆ **Sr. High & Young Adult Ladies' Hangout** at 7:30 p.m. at the home of Rachel Fuller. Bring snacks, drinks and your Bible.

Equipping & Edifying Families

Ten Commandments for Husbands

by Hugo McCord



Hugo McCord (1911-2004) was a preacher, teacher, college professor, author and true Biblical scholar. He produced his own translation of the New Testament, entitled *The Everlasting Gospel*. He and his wife, Lois, were married for 68 years! They met when they were students at Freed-Hardeman College in the early 1930s. Brother McCord was known to lovingly remark, “Lois is my first, current, last and favorite wife.”

He penned these “Ten Commandments for Husbands,” which still should be followed by wise husbands today.

1. Thou shalt remember that thy wife is thy partner and not thy property.
2. Thou shalt hold thy wife’s love by the same means that thou won it.
3. Thou shalt enter thy house with cheerfulness.
4. Thou shalt not let anyone criticize thy wife and get away with it, neither thy father, nor thy mother, nor thy brothers, nor thy sisters, nor any other relative.
5. Thou shalt not take thy wife for granted.
6. Thou shalt not think thyself are “IT.”
7. Thou shalt not praise thy neighbor’s wife; praise thine own.
8. Thou shalt not keep any secrets from thy wife; secrets breed suspicion and wreck confidence.
9. Thou shalt not fail to kiss thy wife goodbye every morning.
10. Thou shalt not forget through all the years of thy life that thy wife whom God hath given thee is the queen in your home and in honor takes precedence over thee.

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



Sunday
October 8

Congratulations to **Nate & Cindy Nelson** upon the birth of their son, **Levi Keith**, Tuesday, October 10, weighing 5 lb. 2 oz. Mother and baby are doing well. Proud grandparents are **Buzz & Kathy Nelson**.

LOCAL VISITORS: Ms. Gail Archer; Mr. Jean Charles; Aiden Creary; Mrs. Maxine Griggs; Lauren Grimaldi; Lynne Karilla; Matthew Lewis; Taylor McMahon; Mr. & Mrs. Dennis & Sharon Mann; Mrs. Corinn Miller, Linley & Ellie; Ms. Patricia Patterson; Ms. Lizzie Rozier; and LaQuanda & Terrance Smith.

OUT OF TOWN VISITORS: Mrs. Barbara Davis, Murfreesboro, TN; Undre & Inyam Griggs, St. Johns, FL; Mrs. Heather James & Emily, Burns, TN; Chad & Gorgeous Morgan, Port St. Lucie, FL; Mr. & Mrs. Michael & Quinia Morning, Port St. Lucie, FL; Greg & Michelle Morris, White Bluff, TN; Mrs. Lisa Overfelt, Monrovia, MD; Mr. Steve Shafor, Dorr, MI; and Mr. Sid Smith, Lucedale, MS.



Sunday (October 15th)

Stahia Banks
Joe Holland
Meagan Metzkes

Monday (October 16th)

Adelene Honore
Kevin Weeks

Wednesday (October 18th)

Josue Charles

Friday (October 20th)

Sharon Morrison

Saturday October 21st)

Janice Maloney
Lynn Parker
Sabrina Pietro
David Sproule
Leslie Williams

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, October 15

Lead Singing Bobbo Lupo
Opening Prayer Henry Bass
Scripture Reading..... Stephen Beliech
Presiding at Table Nate Nelson
Serve at Table:
David Brown Morris McDaniel
Josue Charles Vincent Rogers
Edward Gager Nahum Villard
Heath Johnson Marty Williams
Alternates:
Johnny Davis Dirk Summerlot
Closing Prayer Gary Friedly

Sunday Evening, October 15

Lead Singing Dan McLeod
Opening Prayer Jeff Goodale
Scripture Reading..... Glen Dawson
Presiding at Table..... Jeff Leslie
Harrison Crotts
David Lord
Nick Pietro
Closing Prayer Ivan Villard, Jr.

Wednesday Evening, October 18

Lead Singing Harrison Carter
Invitation..... Ted Friesner
Family Prayer Taylor Reeves

Our Record

Attendance	Oct. 8	Sept Avg.
Sun. Bible Study	237	237
Sun. A.M. Worship	358	332
Sun. P.M. Worship	169	146
Wed. Bible Study	148	161
Contribution	\$14,655	\$14,838

2017 Weekly Budget: \$15,065

Y-T-D Contribution-to-Budget: -28,006

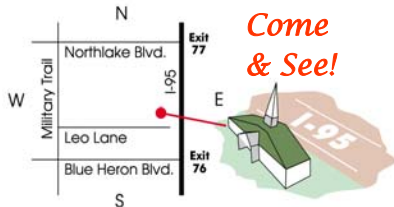
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Come & See!

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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.

Front Cover: **Roderick McLeod** (at the Work Day after Hurricane Irma)



Phil Sanders, who has spoken numerous times at Palm Beach Lakes, is the host of the nationally televised program, *"In Search of the Lord's Way."*

This great, faith-building program is broadcast on **WGN** (out of Chicago) **every Sunday morning at 7:00 a.m.**

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Be sure to check it out every week, record it, and tell others about it.