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VACATION BIBLE SCHOOL



JUNE 16-19

Each night at 7:00 p.m.

Classes for all ages (children & adults)!

Please arrive early to register your children.



By Dan Jenkins

A Look at Angels in Psalms

There is far too much speculation about the work of angels and their impact upon the earth. We need to be careful when we think about them and listen to what the Bible tells us about them. The book of Psalms clearly reveals much about their work. Look at the following description David gives about angels and then, without speculation, find comfort in what the psalmist shows us about their work.

Man Lower Than Angels but Crowned with Glory

In the eighth psalm, David extols the magnitude of the work of God and then turns his attention to men. He says, "For you have made him a little lower than the angels, and You have crowned him with glory and honor" (Psa. 8:5). In God's orderly creation, angels rank higher than people, but it is to mortals that God offers salvation and crowns us with glory.

His Angel Encamps All Around Us

David said, "The angel of the Lord encamps all around those who fear Him, and delivers them" (Psa. 34:7). Think of Job and the hedge Satan said God had placed around this righteous man. While Satan might desire to conquer us by forceable dragging us away from God, such is not the case. The wall cities of the Old Testament were protected by massive stones, but the righteous have something far better. That "wall"

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around them is the angel of the Lord. Those who fear the Lord can rest assured that Divine help is with them. That angel is not only around the saints, he delivers them. The next verse is so appropriate for David urges, "Oh, taste and see that the Lord is good; blessed is the man who trusts in Him."

His Angels Have Charge Over Us and Keep Us

"For He shall give His angels charge over you, to keep you in all your ways" (Psa. 91:11). When we read verses like this, we tend to speculate as though we are as wise as God and understand how He works. However, instead of trying by human wisdom to work all of this out, we should just thank God that He does work.

What does this verse say? It teaches us that God uses angels to keep us. What comfort this should be to simply know that He works in our lives. If He has not told us how He does this, there is no way to know the details, but how comforting it is to know that our God is personally concerned about us. Angelic beings who rank above have become servants in our lives.

So, when the darkest hours surround us, let us remove those clouds by simply remembering what we do know. God cares for us, protects us and encamps around us because He loves us. We may not be in charge of our lives, but He is!



By David Sproule

Biblical Faith in God Involves Obedience to God (Part 3 of 4)

The direct connection between true, saving faith and one's obedience to the Lord could not be more clearly and emphatically stated in the New Testament. By definition, Biblical faith involves one's obedience, and by repeated usage of terms, Biblical faith and obedience are tied inseparably together.

So, what about all of the verses that state that faith saves us? And what about the example of Abraham whose faith was accounted to him for righteousness? How can these be reconciled in light of what the Scripture teaches about faith and obedience?

First, we must readily accept ALL that the Word of God teaches on any matter, but especially when it comes to our salvation. We are "saved" by grace "through faith" (Eph. 2:8). We have been "justified by faith" (Rom. 5:1). God wants to give "eternal life" to "whoever believes in Him" (John 3:16). When we read these verses, there are two things that we must recognize and affirm: (1) No verse teaches that we are saved by faith "alone" or "only." (2) Other New Testament verses mention other choices on our part that "save" us.

We must "repent" to have the "forgiveness of sins" (Acts 2:38). "Baptism now saves you" (1 Pet. 3:21). Jesus is "the author of eternal salvation to all who obey Him" (Heb.

5:9). Certainly, none of these verses say that these choices "alone" or "only" save us, but they do "save" us. Rather than pick and choose verses that agree with a certain point of view, we must understand and accept, "The sum of thy word is truth" (Psa. 119:160). We must "add" all of these verses together to find the "sum" of God's truth on the matter. Does faith save? Yes! But only when it finds its true fulfillment in repentance, baptism and full obedience to the gospel!

His "faith" was a summarization of his life of obedience.

In fact, James explicitly states that "a man is justified by works, and not by faith only" (2:24). Only when faith is "working together with [our] works" is our faith "made perfect" (2:22). Those words are used to describe the faith of the "Great Man of Faith" himself—Abraham. Sometimes the faith of Abraham is misused to teach the doctrine of "faith only," for Genesis 15:6 does state, "He believed in the Lord, and He accounted it to him for righteousness." However, this does not teach that God counted Abraham as righteous upon his faith alone. By the time of Genesis 15, Abraham had already been called by God (Gen. 12:1-3), "obeyed" God (Heb. 11:8), built altars to worship God (Gen. 12:6-8; 13:3-4) and had been faithfully following God for quite some time. His "faith" in Genesis 15 was a summarization of his life of obedience.

God's Word must be studied in its fullness to find His (not man's) truth! Biblical faith involves one's obedience.

(more next week)



By Josh Blackmer

God-lines for the Heart

When you listen to children read you will hear a lot of interesting versions of words. On one such occasion, godliness was read as God-lines. As I heard the word I thought, "That is not bad." We should look at our maturing in godliness not just as something we are striving for, but something that is also guiding us. These heavenly guidelines (God-lines) are keeping us on track to take on the characteristics of the One who receives our devotion.

We might summarize godliness as pious conduct done with a desire to please God. There are those that practice piety that love pleasure more than God (2 Tim. 3:1-5). There are others who do it because of the praise of men (Matt. 6:1-18). True godliness is an action toward God and must be done in order to please Him, not man (Gal. 1:10).

Godliness is something that is profitable to those that are faithful to its tenants. Paul wrote how godliness was profitable for all things (1 Tim. 4:7-8; 6:6). It is profitable for our life right now (Matt. 6:33; Mark 10: 28-30), and it is profitable for our life to come (Mark 10:30; Rom 6:22). Peter wrote of how it was beneficial in view of the things to come (2 Pet. 3:10-14). The universe, the earth and all its works will be destroyed, and for this reason, we should focus on holy conduct and godliness

which give promise of the life to come.

Godliness isn't just profitable but also powerful for those that practice it. Paul warned about those "holding to a form of godliness, although they have denied its power" (2 Tim. 3:5). It is implied that there is true godliness and this true godliness contains "power." If our conduct pleases God, He empowers us! He works in us as we strive to do His will (Phil. 2:12-13). He strengthens us by His Spirit in the inner man (Eph. 3:16) with a power beyond comprehension (Eph. 3:20). He enables us to stand strong in the strength of His might (Eph. 6:10-13).

We must be in the pursuit of godliness!

Godliness requires exercise, just as Paul counseled Timothy (1 Tim. 4:7-8). Just as physical exercise provides benefit for healthy living, even more so, spiritual exercise provides benefit for godly living. Paul mentioned the type of spiritual exercise needed (1 Tim. 4:12-16)—setting a good example for others, giving attention to reading God's Word, to exhortation and to doctrine. We must make good use of our abilities and opportunities. If we focus our efforts on such things, then our progress will be evident. Peter said it requires "giving all diligence" (2 Pet. 1:5). We must be in the pursuit of godliness (1 Tim. 6:11)!

It is easy to see how a child could get confused when reading godliness, but God-lines is not far off. Godliness is not just something to achieve. It's also a guideline for the heart.

Articles Published in PBL Family News Emails Last Week

Whispering

Sometimes we whisper so that we don't disturb someone who is sleeping. Sometimes we whisper about a surprise birthday party to keep it a secret. But, other times we whisper so that a person doesn't know that we are saying something about her, that we don't want her to know that we are saying, to someone with whom we should not be saying it. Is that a big deal?

The Bible says that "a whisperer separates the best of friends" (Prov. 16:28). In catalogs of various sins, Paul lists "whisperers" (Rom. 1:29) and "whispering" (2 Cor. 12:20). The Biblical emphasis is not on the volume of that which is being spoken but on the content and the communicators that are involved. Other translations use the word "gossip" or "gossips" instead, emphasizing the nature of the conversation is not one in which a Christian should be engaged.

Do you find yourself "talking about others" when they are not around and "saying things" that you "ought not" (1 Tim. 5:13) in a hush-hush tone? God views such as sin! Do we? – DS



Is this relationship a good idea?

If you put "light" and "darkness" in the same room, what would they have in common? Could they find a level of fellowship that they could enjoy? If you put "righteousness" and "lawlessness" in the same room, what would they have in common? Could they establish a partnership together? If you put Christ and Satan in the same room, what would they have in common? Could they come to a harmonious agreement about living together? If you put "the temple of God" and "idols" in the same room, what would they have in common? Could they find a way to both be acceptably worshiped by Christians?

The subjects in each of these questions could not be more diametrically opposed to one another! But each question is asked in a Biblical context that first instructs, "Do not be unequally yoked together with unbelievers," and then asks, "What has a believer in common with an unbeliever?" (2 Cor. 6:14-17). Does God have anything to say about a Christian entering a serious relationship with a non-Christian? Go back and read the questions in the first paragraph. – DS

Keep in Your Prayers



Pray for These PBL Members

Adrienne Banks	recovering from an auto accident, undergoing testing
Karen Bibbee	now at home, undergoing rehab
Dan Fuller	Gardens Medical Center (room 211), hip replacement
Patricia Hackshaw	recovering from surgery
Terri Hahn	in ICU at Gardens Medical Center, multiple issues
Richard Haines	MorseLife Rehab, recovering from hip surgery
Lovetta Harmon	recovering from throat surgery
Cornelius Henderson	scheduled for surgery on June 14
Mary A. Jackson	suffering with fibromyalgia
Cheryl Milton	recovering from pacemaker surgery
Chuck Norton	St. Mary's (room 3308), recovering from hip surgery
Connye Plouffe	recovering at home from hospitalization
Ashlyn Rosado	recovering from surgery on her broken wrist
Linda Studer	monthly chemo treatments
Sadie Tennant	La Posada Rehab Center (room 2074)
Amy West	recovering from another foot surgery
Henry Williams	now at home, recovering from leg surgery
Evetta Wilson	corneal ulcer in her eye, slowly improving

Long-Term Health Issues

Lillian Bankston	dialysis treatments
Charles Norton	dialysis treatments
Patricia Ventress	dialysis treatments

Pray for Our Shut-Ins

Millie Ames	Joe Holland
Hattie Daniels	Daniel Johnson
Sandra Daniels	Don & Betty Matter
Josie Dawson	Deidra Miley
Annie Faison	Harriet Morris
Margie Hardin	Leigh Puckett
Janet Hickerson	Ricky Smedley
Loretta Holaday	

Pray for These Relatives of PBL Members

Bernardo Burdeos	Lovella Rogers' father, in the hospital in the Philippines
Barbara Coe	Linda Coe's mother, not doing well since strokes in Dec.
Richard Hill	Shirley Hopkins' brother, recovering from heart surgery
Joan Humphrey	Connye Plouffe's sister, in rehab recovering from a fall
Ben Smith	Mary Brown's brother, in Rehab Ctr of the Palm Beaches
Ulysses Smith	Mary Brown's brother, receiving leukemia treatments
Oscar Trevino	Flo Aristy's father, not doing well
Carol Wineinger	Cherylann Wineinger's mother, now at home, doing well

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

Bahamas

Tavaro & Shameika Hanna



Church Family Calendar of Events

Sunday, June 16

- ◆ **Bible Study** at 9:00 a.m. Jr. High, Sr. High & all adults will meet in the Auditorium.

Sunday-Wednesday, June 16-19

- ◆ **Vacation Bible School** each night at 7:00 p.m. This year's theme is *"Rise & Shine for Jesus."* There are classes for all ages (children & adults)!

Monday, June 17

- ◆ **No Monday Night Bible Study.** Will resume next week.

Tuesday, June 18

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

Friday, June 21

- ◆ **Family Group 4 Meeting** at 6:30 p.m. at the home of Ally Alberga. Please contact Ally for her new address.

Sunday, June 23

- ◆ **New 10-Week Classes** begin at 9:00 a.m. for Jr. High, Sr. High and adults.

Sunday, June 23 (cont.)

- ◆ **House-to-House/Heart-to-Heart Labeling** after evening worship in the Family Room. Everyone is encouraged to stay and help out.

Monday, June 24

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

Tuesday, June 25

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

Wednesday, June 26

- ◆ **"Kick Start Your Summer" Series** at 7:00 p.m. Jr. High, Sr. High and adults will meet in the Auditorium. Mike Baker (Concord Street) will be speaking on *"Aliens in a Facebook World."*

Sunday, June 30

- ◆ **Leadership Training Camp Lessons Presented** by the young men and women. There will be a separate class for the ladies.
- ◆ **Single Ladies' Luncheon** after morning worship.

Palm Beach Lakes church of Christ Young Adults

Sunday, June 16

- ◆ **Bible Study** at 9:00 a.m. Jr. High, Sr. High & all adults will meet in the Auditorium.

Sunday-Wednesday, June 16-19

- ◆ **Vacation Bible School** each night at 7:00 p.m. This year's theme is *"Rise & Shine for Jesus."* There are classes for all ages (children & adults)!

Sunday, June 23

- ◆ **New 10-Week Classes** begin at 9:00 a.m. for Jr. High, Sr. High and adults.

Tuesday, July 2

- ◆ **Young Adult Ladies' Prayer Night** at 6:30 p.m. at the home of Jessica Ramirez. Please bring sides, desserts and drinks. See Cindy or Jessica for more details.

Friday, July 5

- ◆ **Sr. High & Young Adult Ladies' Hangout** at 7:00 p.m. Bring snacks, drinks and your Bible. See Rachel, Julie or Brittany for details.



Palm Beach Lakes Youth

Sunday, June 16

- ◆ **Bible Study** at 9:00 a.m. Jr. High, Sr. High & all adults will meet in the Auditorium.

Sunday-Wednesday, June 16-19

- ◆ **Vacation Bible School** each night at 7:00 p.m. This year's theme is *"Rise & Shine for Jesus."*

Sunday, June 23

- ◆ **New 10-Week Classes** begin at 9:00 a.m. for Jr. High, Sr. High and adults.
- ◆ **Jr. High Family Devo** after evening worship. Please bring a drink, dessert or chips.
- ◆ **Sr. High Devo** after evening worship.

Wednesday-Saturday, June 26-29

- ◆ **Leadership Training Camp for Young Men & Women.** Keep the campers in your prayers.

Sunday, June 30

- ◆ **Leadership Training Camp Lessons Presented** by the young men and women.



Top 25 Reasons YOU Should Attend Vacation Bible School

1. Studying the Bible.
2. Singing great songs.
3. Being around kids.
4. Encouraging the kids.
5. Watching the kids sing.
6. Watching the kids learn.
7. Watching the kids have fun.
8. Singing with the kids.
9. Singing with Bobbo.
10. Enjoying some snacks.
11. Seeing great decorations.
12. Arts and crafts for the kids.
13. Prizes (for the kids!).
14. Classes for ALL ages.
15. Adult class for the "Big Kids."
16. Attempting to sing "The Hippo Song."
17. Being around Christians.
18. Being with folks you invited.
19. Meeting visitors.
20. No better place to be each night.
21. A barn in the church building?
22. Supporting those who planned it.
23. Singing "The Lord's Army" with Bobbo.
24. Cookies!
25. Jesus loves children!

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

Members Traveling
this week



Thank You
for worshipping with us

Sunday,
June 9

LOCAL VISITORS: Mr. Johnny Mark Davis; Ms. Marcia Farrar; Miss Jamie Granino; Miss Maxine Griggs; Mr. Colin Kato; Mr. Robert Lerro; Mr. & Mrs. Spencer & Peggy Lyda; Ms. Sherri Richmond; Marsela Rodriguez; Ms. Lizzie Rozier; and Mr. Ben Tate.

OUT OF TOWN VISITORS: Mrs. Lorraine Allen, Vero Beach, FL; Miss Arianna Bassett & Aniya, Pahokee, FL; Mrs. Mindy McFarland & Linda Beers; Mr. Chad Brown, Tupelo, MS; Ms. Conley Clouse, Jackson, TN; Miss Lauren Fuller, Savannah, TN; Mr. Scott Kelley, Tamarac, FL; Mr. Mark Lester, Orlando, FL; Jim, Susan, Triston & Connor Maxwell, Vancouver, WA; and Mr. & Mrs. Charles Sanders, Niceville, FL.

Birthdays & Anniversaries
This Week

Sunday (June 16th)

Ally Alberga
Michael Fox

Wednesday (June 19th) cont.

Judy Carmack
Gwen Lyons

Monday (June 17th)

Nyla Hackshaw
Mary Jackson

Thursday (June 20th)

Cam & Hollie Crotts (Ann.)
Dan & Loni Fuller (Ann.)
Evetta Wilson

Tuesday (June 18th)

Dan & Judie Jenkins (Ann.)

Friday (June 21st)

Ivan & Amber Villard (Ann.)
Eddie Gooden

Wednesday (June 19th)

Dirk & Elizabeth Summerlot (Ann.)

Thank You  NOTES

Thank you for all the caring prayers during my time of illness. I am very grateful for my church members.

Evetta Wilson

News & Notes

Vacation Bible School begins this Sunday! **Please bring cookies** (bought or homemade) for each night of VBS.



Wedding Announcement

Congratulations to **Michael Menendez & Astrid Arevalo** who were married on Thursday, June 6.

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, June 16

Lead Singing Robert Lupo
Opening Prayer Robert Mariano
Scripture Reading John Patrick
Presiding at Table Rick Hall
Serve at Table:
 Stephen Beliech Michael Morning
 Mike Damron Dan McLeod
 Eddie Gooden Vincent Rogers
 Tim Mahlbacher Lawrence Williams
Alternates:
 Jeff Leslie Taylor Reeves
Closing Prayer John Hoelzer

Sunday Evening, June 16

Lead Singing Jerry Pittman
Opening Prayer Gary Seames
Scripture Reading Kirk Crews
Presiding at Table Daniel Swayne
 Charles Hayes
 Chad Morgan
 Nick Pietro
Closing Prayer Ivan Villard, Jr.

Wednesday Evening, June 19

Lead Singing VBS
Invitation VBS
Family Prayer VBS

Our Record

Attendance	June 9	May Avg
Sun. Bible Study	201	231
Sun. A.M. Worship	312	321
Sun. P.M. Worship	147	136
Wed. Bible Study	166	168
Contribution	\$13,185	\$13,728

2019 Weekly Budget: \$15,190

Y-T-D Contribution-to-Budget: -\$4,926

Ushers for this week: Paul Metzkes (Head Usher); James Green & Dirk Summerlot

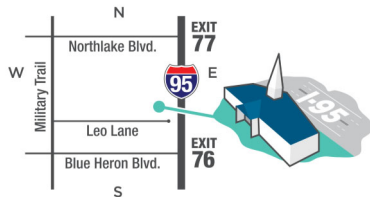
Safety Team for this week: Nahum Villard & Seth Watson



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Speaking where the Bible speaks, Silent where the Bible is silent.



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: Vacation Bible School 2018

New Bible Classes (JUNE 23 – AUG. 21)

SUNDAY MORNINGS at 9:00 A.M.

First, Second & Third John	David Sproule (Auditorium)
The Mission of the Local Church	Josh Blackmer & Ivan Villard (Adult 1)
Young Adults: The Bible & Science	Nate Nelson & Taylor Reeves (Adult 3)
Sr. High: 1 & 2 Timothy and Titus	Robert Lupo
Jr. High: The Life of Christ	Chris Thompson

WEDNESDAY EVENINGS at 7:00 P.M.

Isaiah (Part 1)	Dan Jenkins (Auditorium)
Hope: The Anchor of the Soul	Lawrence Richardson (Adult 1)
Ladies: A Song in My Heart	Traci Sproule (Adult 2)
Sr. High: Respectful Attitudes	
Jr. High: Bible Characters	