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BACK-TO-SCHOOL SUNDAY



As school begins, please pray for our students and teachers to be safe, to work hard, to remain steadfast in their faith and to be a positive, Christ-centered influence in their schools.





By Dan Jenkins

I Have Never Saved the Lost, Am I Lost?

As a younger preacher, I overstated truth in an attempt to get the church to be more involved in saving the lost. I would say things like, "You cannot go to heaven alone, so go teach the lost." I am sure that I wanted Christians to evangelize the world and chose words I would not use today.

Is it true that you cannot go to heaven alone? Think about what that would say about the preaching of Noah. I realize he saved his family, but his preaching never changed anyone except his family. What about the proclamation of truth by Ezekiel? When God called him, He said, "I am sending you to a...rebellious nation...for they are impudent and stubborn children...they are a rebellious house...they are a rebellious house...for they are rebellious" (Ezek. 2:3-7). This prophet is simply one of many of God's messengers who may enter into heaven alone.

Is it true that every Christian has the ability to teach another? As a younger preacher, I probably overstated this. Read the closing verses in First Corinthians 12. Paul lists many leaders in the church and asks a series of questions about them. "God has appointed these in the church: first apostles, second prophets, third teachers...Are all apostles? Are all prophets? Are all teachers? Are all works of mira-

cles...Earnestly desire the best gifts. And yet I show you a more excellent way" (1 Cor. 12:28-31). Obviously, the apostle is talking about spiritual gifts, but when God gave those gifts, He did not give the gift of teaching to every Christian.

Do not overlook this truth. While not every Christian has the ability to teach another, every Christian does have the ability to lead others to Jesus. As I have matured as a Christian, I understand with greater appreciation the Bible words, "Come and see." It is found several times in the New Testament, and these words were used to bring others to the Teacher. These same words can be used by any Christian to bring others to those Christians who do have the ability to teach the lost. Not every person has the ability to teach, but every Christian has the words to invite!

What about the Great Commission given to every Christian in regard to every lost soul? Read it carefully. It does not say we are to baptize every person, but to teach them to do what Jesus said. Our work is to sow seed (even on the "wayside" soil), to water that seed and then let God give the increase. All are not teachers, but all of us have the ability to lead others to our Lord, simply by saying, "Come and see."

The words of an old song perhaps say it best. "Are you sowing the seed of the kingdom, brother, all along life's fertile way? You must reap at the last great day." "Come and See!"

All are not teachers, but all have the ability to say to others, "Come and see!"



By David Sproule

A Tale of Two Sinners

When we think about all of the various sins there are in the world, we might think there are hundreds or thousands of different kinds of sinners. However, if we narrow it down, we may come up with a number much smaller, representing the types of sinners on earth. In Luke 7:36-50, Jesus was in a house with two sinners. However, these two sinners were very different from each other.

The first sinner was the owner of the house. He was a Pharisee named Simon. He had invited Jesus into his home to eat, but we do not know his motives for doing so. We would like to assign genuine and positive motives, but in reading the text, it is difficult to do that. While he had invited Jesus to be his guest, he did not provide any of the "welcome amenities" that were customary in that day.

The second sinner was "a woman in the city" (believed to be an immoral woman "of the streets") who crashed the party, coming into the home and dinner uninvited. She heard that Jesus was there, and she wanted to be where He was. She stood at His feet, wept, washed His feet with her tears, wiped them with her hair, kissed His feet and anointed them with fragrant oil. She provided the "welcome amenities" that Simon did not.

Expressing her immense love for Jesus for having forgiven her of her sins

Simon was a sinner, but he didn't believe it. He was suspicious of Jesus, questioning His divine knowledge. He was judgmental of "what manner of woman this is" who was touching Jesus. The woman was a sinner, but she knew it. She came "behind" Jesus. She did the most menial of all tasks to express her heart to her Savior. What a contrast!

Jesus told a short parable to awaken Simon to the contrast between him and this woman. "There was a certain creditor who had two debtors. One owed five hundred denarii, and the other fifty. And when they had nothing with which to repay, he freely forgave them both." Jesus then asked Simon (get this!), "Tell Me, therefore, which of them will love him more?"

Jesus indicates that this woman's sins had already been forgiven her (in some earlier encounter), based upon the Greek perfect tense in verse 48, "Your sins have been forgiven in the past and they remain forgiven at this moment." So, this woman was not doing all of this because she was seeking forgiveness. She was expressing her immense love for Jesus for having forgiven her of her sins.

This is the tale of two sinners: one who looked at everyone else as sinners, and one who could not contain her excitement for having been forgiven. Friend, which are you? When was the last time you profusely thanked the Lord for forgiving you of your sins? Never take that for granted!



By Josh Blackmer

Do Not Fear, I Will Help

Jerusalem had been besieged, and a great army had come up against them. The city and its people had been threatened by death and plunder by the Assyrians. They had been hearing about the cruelty of the Assyrians from other conquered peoples. However, God had delivered them. Yet, there was still some fear in the people. So, God reassures the people in Isaiah. “Do not fear, for I am with you; Do not anxiously look about you, for I am your God. I will strengthen you, surely I will help you, Surely I will uphold you with My righteous right hand” (Isa. 41:10). God repeats the coupling of “do not fear” with “I will help you” three times in just a few verses. God specifically mentions that He would help them with those that were against them (Isa. 41:11-12). These that God was communicating with were His righteous ones (Isa. 41:8-9).

This is similar to a passage in the Psalms. David said this, “In my distress I called upon the Lord, And cried to my God for help; He heard my voice out of His temple, And my cry for help before Him came into His ears” (Psa. 18:6). God’s response is broken down this way in the psalm. After the cry for help, we see God’s power respond (v. 6-15). Then David speaks about the deliverance from the enemy at the hand of God (v. 16-19). David attributes this response from God to his right-

eous life lived in the commandments of the Lord (v. 20-28).

We will always have enemies if we are living the kind of life we are supposed to live (1 Pet. 2:9-12). So, don’t worry about having enemies. Concern yourself with having the right ones and for the right reasons. Don’t have enemies because you are intentionally offensive. Don’t have enemies because you are caustic and abrasive. Don’t have enemies because you are unfeeling or unloving. But, do have enemies because you stand for truth. Do have enemies because you will not waver in the face of majority opinion when it clashes with Biblical authority. Do have enemies when you will not personally compromise your convictions. Some of our enemies can be from our own household (Matt. 10:34-37). They can be from city leaders (Acts 16:19-24) or from the government (Heb. 10:32-34). They can even be from popular thoughts of society (Acts 17:5-9). The biggest threat is not flesh and blood (Eph. 6:10-12). What do we do in the face of our enemies? We always pray, even for them (Phil. 4:6). We stand against our enemy (1 Pet. 5:9). We maintain an unwavering and calm trust in God (Prov. 3:5). We must also conduct ourselves in a way becoming those that profess to be followers of Christ (Luke 6:27-28; Rom 12:20-21). Do not fear, God will help. Some of that help comes from His instruction. Some comes from His providence. All of it comes because of His love, faithfulness, patience, grace and forgiveness.

**Simple,
confident,
calming trust in
God is a reward.**

Articles Published in PBL Family News Emails Last Week

Who is my neighbor?

An expert in the law of Moses came to Jesus and attempted to “test” Him, however, he was the one who got tested. Luke tells us that he was “wanting to justify himself” as a keeper of the law, when he said to Jesus, “Who is my neighbor?” (Luke 10:25-29). Jesus told the familiar parable of “The Good Samaritan” to identify “who” a neighbor is and “what” a true neighbor does.

We hear the word “neighbor,” and we probably think of the person living in a house next to us, but God had a much larger “neighborhood” in mind. The Greek word means, “the one who is near or close by, fellow human being.” This includes our family, our friends, our church family, our coworkers, our doctor, our cashier, our enemies—it includes everyone!

Knowing that everyone is your “neighbor,” what kind of neighbor are you? Do you “do” (10:28, 37) as the Good Samaritan did and as the lawyer was told to do? Do you serve, give, help and “do good unto others” (Gal. 6:10), with a selfless, compassionate spirit? That’s a true neighbor! – DS



Teaching our kids real “responsibility”

We want our kids to grow up to be responsible, productive adults. So, we train them to take on responsibilities and we encourage them strive for greatness. Those are ideal and needed life qualities, but what happens when those “needed life lessons” run up against the church?

We want our kids to succeed, so we may push them to push themselves and strive for greatness in sports, clubs, music, scouting, martial arts, etc. Or we may urge them to get a job while they’re still in high school to learn the value of a strong work ethic, how to manage money, how to interact with people, how to handle responsibility, etc.

But what happens when the schedule for those “great things” in life conflicts with the times for worship, Bible study and planned (on-the-calendar) activities of the church (including youth activities)? What lessons (i.e., the lessons that REALLY, ETERNALLY matter) are we teaching our kids when the church takes second (or no) place? Are we teaching our kids to “seek first the kingdom of God and His righteousness” (Matt. 6:33), or only when that is convenient? Some things REALLY matter. Some things don’t. What are we teaching our kids? – DS

Keep in Your Prayers



Pray for These PBL Members

Christene Bean	recovering at home from hospitalization
Jordan Beasley	recovering at home
Linda Coe	ultrasound on her leg to see if the clot has dissolved
Glen Dawson	very weak from his recent treatments and illness
Dan Johnson	Gardens Medical Center (room 381), leg amputated
David Lord	St. Mary's step-down room, dealing with complications
Gwen Lyons	Woodlake Rehab Center (room 111), rehab on ankle
Cheryl Milton	slowly improving from her post-surgery infection
Sadie Myrie	now recovering at home
Maurine Reed	Signature Healthcare in Lake Worth for rehab

Ongoing Health Issues

Lillian Bankston	dialysis treatments
Judy Carmack	multiple health issues
John Loftis	back pain, weakness
Joel Ramirez	dialysis treatments
Sherri Richmond	multiple health issues
Peggy Simpkins	chemo, rare cancer
Henry Williams	dialysis treatments

Pray for Our Shut-Ins

Millie Ames	Joan Holloway
Glen & Josie Dawson	Inell Ingram
Dianne Frye	Daniel Johnson
Terri Hahn	Betty Matter
Margie Hardin	Joyce Parker
Loretta Holaday	Ricky Smedley

Pray for These Relatives of PBL Members

Lamatron Gadson	Freddie Gadson's sister, Hospice Care, lung cancer
Rocky Meess	Micky Affron's father, hospital, congestive heart failure
Beverly Michaelian	Lynne Jorgensen's mother, surgery on her broken femur
Samuel Williams	Adelene Honore's brother, swelling in hands and legs

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, August 14

- ♦ **Guest Speaker, Clint Davison**, will be speaking at 9:00 & 10:00 a.m. Jr. High, Sr. High and all adults will meet in the Auditorium.
- ♦ **Shepherds Praying** at 5:30 p.m. in Adult 3. All members are invited to come and pray with them.

Monday, August 15

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

Tuesday, August 16

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

Friday, August 19

- ♦ **Family Group 4 Meeting** at 6:30 p.m. at the home of Ally Alberga. Bring a potluck dish to share. This is for all PBL members and families who live south of Southern Blvd.
- ♦ **Ladies & Lattes** at 7:00 p.m. at the home of Trish Clark. All PBL women in Grades 9 and up are invited to fellowship and grow together in God's word. Coffee and tea will be provided. Please bring a dessert.

Sunday, August 21

- ♦ **Shepherds Praying** at 5:30 p.m. in Adult 3. All members are invited to come and pray with them.
- ♦ **Youth & Family Singing** after evening worship in the Family Room. Every member is invited to stay and sing for about 35 minutes.

Saturday, August 27

- ♦ **PBL Ladies' Prayer Meeting** at 1:00 p.m. in the Family Room. See Maria Hackshaw for more details.
- ♦ **Family Group 1 & 2 Meeting** at 6:30 p.m. at the home of David & Skye Brown. This is for all PBL members and families who live north of Blue Heron.

Sunday, August 28

- ♦ **Tavaro Hanna Mission Report** at 9:00 a.m. Jr. High, Sr. High and all adults will meet in the Auditorium.
- ♦ **Shepherds Praying** at 5:30 p.m. in Adult 3. All members are invited to come and pray with them.

Friday, September 9

- ♦ **Ladies & Lattes** at 7:00 p.m. Location TBD. All PBL women in Grades 9 and up are invited to fellowship and grow together in God's word.

Palm Beach Lakes church of Christ Young Adults

Friday, August 19

- ♦ **Ladies & Lattes** at 7:00 p.m. at the home of Trish Clark. All PBL women in Grades 9 and up are invited to fellowship and grow together in God's word. Coffee and tea will be provided. Please bring a dessert.

Saturday, August 20

- ♦ **Young Adult Devo** at 6:00 p.m. at the home of Julie Watson. See Ivan Villard for more details.

Friday, September 9

- ♦ **Ladies & Lattes** at 7:00 p.m. Location TBD. All PBL women in Grades 9 and up are invited to fellowship and grow together in God's word. Coffee and tea will be provided. Please bring a dessert.

Saturday, September 10

- ♦ **Young Adult Devo** at 6:00 p.m. Location TBD.

Monday, September 12

- ♦ **Men's Meet** at 7:00 p.m. at the church building. All PBL men in Grades 9 & up are invited.



Palm Beach Lakes Youth

Friday, August 19

- ♦ **Ladies & Lattes** at 7:00 p.m. at the home of Trish Clark. All PBL women in Grades 9 and up are invited to fellowship and grow together in God's word. Coffee and tea will be provided. Please bring a dessert.

Sunday, August 21

- ♦ **Youth & Family Singing** after evening worship in the Family Room. Every member is invited to stay and sing for about 35 minutes.

Sunday, August 28

- ♦ **Jr. High & Sr. High Devo** after evening worship in the Family Room. See Josh Blackmer for more details.

Sunday, September 11

- ♦ **Youth & Family Singing** after evening worship in the Family Room. Every member is invited to stay and sing for about 35 minutes.

Monday, September 12

- ♦ **Men's Meet** at 7:00 p.m. at the church building.



33 Ways to Imitate

THE GOODNESS OF JESUS

As He Went About Doing Good

1. He subjected Himself to His parents when He was a child (Luke 2:51).
2. He spent time with the “less desirables” (Matt. 9:10; Mark 5:1-13; John 4:4, 9, 27).
3. He showed deep, tender compassion for the “outcasts” (Mark 1:40-42; Luke 17:11-19).
4. He stopped what He was doing to show kindness (Matt. 9:19-22; Mark 5:25-34).
5. He visited with people to encourage and serve them (Luke 10:38-42; Matt. 8:14-15).
6. He ate meals with His brethren (Matt. 26:17-20; John 21:9-12).
7. He ate meals with prospects for the gospel (Mark 2:15-16; Luke 7:37-39; 19:1-10).
8. He provided a meal for folks who needed it (Matt. 14:13-21; 15:32-39; John 21:5-13).
9. He served His brethren when they should have been serving Him (John 13:1-17).
10. He served those who He knew would do Him wrong (John 13:6-11, 21-30).
11. He served others even when He Himself was hurting (Matt. 14:10-19; Luke 23:26-31).
12. He helped those in need without seeking credit or attention (John 5:1-13; 9:1-12).
13. He inconvenienced Himself for the good of others (Mark 7:24-30; Matt. 14:22-25).
14. He comforted and took care of His friends in time of distress (Matt. 8:23-27; 28:9-10).
15. He defended those who were unfairly attacked (Matt. 26:6-13; Luke 7:36-50).
16. He spoke respectfully of others behind their back (Matt. 11:9-11).
17. He cared about and showed kindness to children (Mark 9:36-37; 10:13-16).
18. He helped parents with their children (Mark 5:21-24, 35-42; 9:14-27; John 4:46-54).
19. He took care of His family, even when in despair Himself (John 19:25-27).
20. He controlled His temper (Matt. 26:47-54, 67; 27:27-44; Luke 4:28-30; 19:45-46).
21. He controlled His tongue (Matt. 26:62-64; 27:14, 39-44).
22. He returned good for evil (Luke 22:51).
23. He forgave people (Luke 23:34, 43; John 8:1-11).
24. He forgave and reconciled with His friends (Mark 14:66-72; 16:7; John 21:15-17).
25. He warned people of spiritual dangers (Mark 9:42-48; 10:23-25; Matt. 16:5-12; 15:1-14).
26. He prayed for others (John 17:6-26; Luke 22:31-32).
27. He pointed people to the Bible (Matt. 19:4; 22:31; Mark 12:28-31).
28. He pointed people to God (John 6:38-50; Matt. 6:25-34; 22:37-38).
29. He pointed people to heaven (John 14:1-6; Matt. 8:11; 25:21, 23).
30. He told people what they needed to hear (Matt. 4:17; 7:21-23; 19:16-22; John 3:3-7).
31. He determined to do God’s will, no matter what (John 4:34; 8:29; Matt. 26:39-46).
32. He made it His custom and priority to be in the synagogue every Sabbath (Luke 4:16).
33. Everything He did was for the good of others (Phil. 2:3-5; Matt. 20:28).

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

Members Traveling
this week



 **Thank You**
for worshipping with us

Sunday,
August 7

LOCAL VISITORS: Mr. Cris Cuevas; Mr. & Mrs. Chuck & Malou Hammock; Mr. & Mrs. Keith & Kim Hutchison; Mrs. Tangela Jackson; Mr. Collin Kato; Mr. David Perez; and Ms. Machel Williams.

OUT OF TOWN VISITORS: Ms. Mirna Benson, Pompano Beach, FL; Mr. Scott Kelley & Colton, Plantation, FL; Miss Meagan Metzkes, Tampa, FL; and Miss Sarah Ramer, Sebring, FL.

Birthdays & Anniversaries
This Week

 **Thank You** notes

Sunday, August 14th
Mike & Donna Erickson (Ann.)

Monday, August 15th
Tim & Beth Fry (Ann.)
Carolyn Lord
Buzz Nelson

Tuesday, August 16th
Chad Morgan

Wednesday, August 17th
Jonathan Swayne

Thursday, August 18th
Melissa Shaw
Benny Rodgers
Deboria Walker

Friday, August 19th
David & Mary A. Jackson (Ann.)

Saturday, August 20th
Josiah Blackmer

We would like to thank you for the beautiful floral arrangement for our dad, **Wesley Williams**. May God continue to bless each of you!

Janice Williams & Darryl Williams

Those to Serve

If you are unable to serve, please contact the Service Coordinator for the week or Rick Hall at 827-4269.
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, August 14

Singing..... Dion Hayes
Opening Prayer Darin Summerlot
Scripture Reading..... David Lord
Singing
Lord's Supper Dirk Summerlot
Contribution
Singing
Sermon
Singing
Closing Prayer Gary Jenkins

Serve at Table:

Troy Alberga	Freddie Gadson
Ed Buonadonna	Bill Ingram, Jr.
Mike Damron	Robert Mariano
Devin Eutsey	Chuck Reeves, Jr.
Andres Fernandez	Islay Rodriguez

Sunday Evening, August 14

Singing Ivan Villard
Opening Prayer Paul Metzkes
Scripture Reading Dan Fuller
Singing
Lord's Supper Bob Higbee
Contribution
Singing
Sermon
Singing
Closing Prayer..... Daniel Lord

Serve at Table:

Daniel Wagner Leonard Williams

Wednesday Evening, August 17

Singing..... Daniel Wagner
Invitation..... Freddie Gadson
Family Prayer Jeff Leslie

Our Record

Attendance	Aug. 7	July Avg
Sun. Bible Study	161	150
Sun. AM Worship	228	238
Sun. PM Worship	113	111
Wed. Bible Study	124	124
Contribution	\$14,916	\$16,751
2022 Weekly Budget: \$15,220		
Y-T-D Contribution-to-Budget: \$36,040		

Service Coordinator:
Eugene Williams

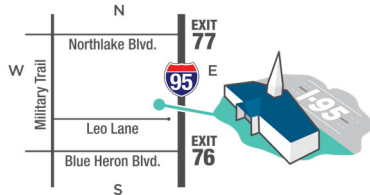
Ushers for this week: Victor Colage & Daniel Swayne
Safety Team for this week: Brandan Widner



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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.



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What Jesus **DID** for YOU ...and why

He created you
(John 1:3; Col. 1:16)

He came to this earth for you
(Phil. 2:6; John 1:14)

He died on the cross for you
(Rom. 5:8; Gal. 2:20)

He shed His blood for you
(Eph. 1:7; Heb. 9:12)

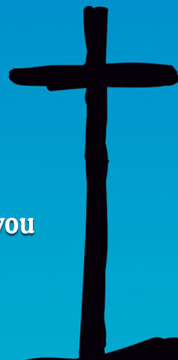
He was raised from the dead for you
(1 Cor. 15:1-26; Rom. 8:34)

Because...

He loves you
(Eph. 5:2; 1 John 3:16)

He wants to save you
(Matt. 20:28; Tit. 2:14)

He wants to take you to heaven
(John 14:1-3; 1 Thess. 4:17)



What Jesus **EXPECTS** of YOU ...and why

Learn and know the truth (Rom. 10:17; John 8:32)

Obey the will of God (Matt. 7:21; John 14:15; Heb. 5:8-9)

Believe Jesus is God's Son (John 1:12; 3:16; 20:30-31)

Repent (turn) from your sins (Luke 13:3; Acts 17:30)

Confess your faith in Jesus (Matt. 10:32; Rom. 10:9-10)

Be immersed into Christ (Acts 2:38; 22:16; Gal. 3:27)

Live faithfully and serve Him (Rev. 2:10; 1 Cor. 15:58)

So that...

You can prove your love for Him (John 14:15; 1 John 5:2-3)

You can be saved from your sins (Acts 2:38; 1 John 1:7)

You can go to heaven (Matt. 7:21; Heb. 5:8-9)