

Northside Church of Christ

“God is a Spirit; and they that worship him must worship him in spirit and in truth.”
John 4:24



Staying Alert To The Sins Of The Spirit

By Mike Riley

The apostle Paul tells that we are to “cleanse ourselves from all filthiness of the flesh and spirit” (2 Corinthians 7:1). Even though it may seem to people around us that we are living a clean moral life, within our spirit we may be harboring an attitude that displeases the Lord. Because sins of the spirit are unseen, hidden in the heart (Matthew 15:15-20), we tend to ignore them until they lead to some outward behavior that reveals their presence.

King David’s life clearly illustrates these two aspects of sin. His lust for Bathsheba (“flesh”) led to adultery and murder (2 Samuel 11-12) and brought great pain to his own life and reproach to the nation of Israel. Then, late in his life, he succumbed to Satan’s prompting to take a census (1 Chronicles 21:1-6). This seemingly innocent act displeased God (1 Chronicles 21:7-8) because David was taking pride (“spirit”) in his military might. He apparently made a complete 180 degree change from complete reliance on God, who had often miraculously delivered him, to trusting in his own power and strength.

As Christians, we must always be alert to the sins of the spirit – especially pride (Proverbs 16:18). They can cause us to stumble and fall, even at the end of life’s journey.

SUNDAY MORNING

Triple E
Edify, Exhort,
Evangelize
4 Square
8:30 AM

SUNDAY BIBLE STUDY

Philemon
9:30 AM

SUNDAY WORSHIP

Worship Service
10:30 AM

WEDNESDAY NIGHT

Romans
7:00 PM



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“Study to shew thyself approved unto God, a workman that needeth not to be ashamed, rightly dividing the word of truth.”

2 Timothy 2:15

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What Kind of Shoe Describes You?

By Wayne Blake

Someone has said, "If the shoe fits, wear it!" We sometimes say, "I'd hate to be in his shoes." I think everyone of us will fit into one of the following style of shoes. But which one?

LOAFER: "Thou wicked and slothful servant" (Matthew 25:26 KJV). "Be not slothful in business" (Romans 12:11 KJV).

HIGH HEEL: This fits the haughty, proud individual. A man is not "to think of himself more highly than he ought to think" (Romans 12:3 KJV).

OVERSHOES: Puts on Christianity only when the going gets rough. Wants the prayers and visits of the preacher only when in trouble.

HOUSE SHOES: This person wants things easy and comfortable. He is scared off by a building problem, mission work, benevolent work, etc. He can't worship in bad weather. "Woe unto them that are at ease in Zion" (Amos 6:1 KJV).

SANDAL: Just a skeleton of a Christian; didn't grow into well-rounded service. "As newborn babes, desire the sincere milk of the word, that ye may grow thereby" (1 Peter 2:2 KJV).

SUNDAY SHOES: Once-a-week Christians. "If any man will come after me, let him deny himself, and take up his cross daily, and follow me" (Luke 9:23 KJV).

WORK SHOES: The active Christian who is always on the job for the Lord. "I must work the works of him that sent me, while it is day; the night cometh when no man can work" (John 9:4 KJV). "...So, go work today in my vineyard" (Matthew 21:28 KJV).

We should all remember: "Today (Now!) is the day of salvation...." (2 Corinthians 6:2 KJV).

Now may I ask again, "What kind of shoe best describes you?"

The Master of Disguise

By Mike Riley

The Bible tells us that Satan is a master of fooling people with disguises. Right from the beginning of human history, he pretended to be a wise adviser, telling Eve that God was not honest with her (Genesis 3:1-4).

Paul tells us that he even "transformed as an angel of light" (2 Corinthians 11:14 KJV), but the Lord has unmasked him as "a liar and the father of it" (John 8:44).

People often go to extremes in their view of Satan. Some dismiss him, as having no power at all, while others attribute more power to him than he deserves. Let us not be deceived. Satan is powerful, and is described by Paul as the "god of this age" (1 Peter 5:8; 2 Corinthians 4:4).

However, Christians need not cower before him in fear, because "He who is in you is greater than he who is in the world" (1 John 4:4). The day is coming when Satan will be cast into the lake of fire (Revelation 20:10).

Until that day, let's not be deceived by this master of disguise, but rather live godly lives that reflect the image of Christ (Gal. 2:20), for He is "that seeketh his glory that sent him, the same is true, and no unrighteousness is in him." (John 7:18 KJV).

Announcements

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Prayer Requests This Week

- Pray for all those with ongoing health ailments

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Communion Preparation

- September - Thrash
- October - Carlberg
- November - Callens
- December - Rowell

August Birthdays & Anniversary's

- Donald Montgomery - 4th • Jill Carlberg - 14th
- Scott Williams - 28th
- Chuck and Sonja Rowell - 11th

Every Sunday Morning

@ 8:00 AM

on WTOK-TV



Sermon Notes

Men to Serve

Announcements/Opening Prayer - Don Potts
 Scripture Reading - Matthew 25:29 - 34
 Lead Singing - Chuck Rowell
 Head of Lord's Table - Rick Carlberg
 Assist on Lord's Table - Mark Potts
 Scripture Reading - Matthew 27:25 - 31
 Closing Prayer - Larry Montgomery

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