

UPCOMING

Prayer List

Pray for all those with ongoing health ailments.

- Renee Cumberland (cancer)
- Ora Barrett
- Connie Montgomery
- Emily Linton

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Communion Preparation

2026 preparation list is in foyer

March - Rowell

April - Potts

May -

Birthday / Anniversary

Mark Potts - 6th

Larry Montgomery - 13th

Kylie Joiner - 23rd

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WELCOME

We are a body of believers whose soul intention is to glorify and serve the Lord Jesus Christ, who is the head of His church. Our desire is to reflect that of our God--that all be saved.

Anyone who is willing to humble himself before the mighty hand of God can be saved.

WEEKLY SERVICES & MEETINGS

Men to Serve

Announcements - Shay Cooper

Scripture Reading - Romans 14:7-8

Lead Singing - Chuck Rowell

Head of Lord's Table - Larry Montgomery

Assist on Lord's Table - Mark Potts

Scripture Reading - Isaiah 53

Closing Prayer - Corey Murphy



SUNDAY

Bible Study //
9:30 am
Worship Service //
10:30 am

WEDNESDAY

Bible Study //
7:00 pm

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SERMON NOTES

To Be Educated...

By Unknown

If I learn my ABCs, can read 600 words per minute, and can write with perfect penmanship, but have not been shown how to communicate with the Designer of all language, I have not been educated.

If I can deliver an eloquent speech and persuade you with my stunning logic, but have not been instructed in God's wisdom, I have not been educated.

If I have read Shakespeare and John Locke and can discuss their writings with keen insight, but have not read the greatest of all books — the Bible — and have no knowledge of its importance, I have not been educated.

If I have memorized addition facts, multiplication tables, and chemical formulas, but have never been disciplined to hide God's Word in my heart, I have not been educated.

If I can explain the law of gravity and Einstein's theory of relativity, but have never been instructed in the unchangeable laws of the One Who orders our universe, I have not been educated.

If I can classify animals by their family, genus and species, and can write a lengthy scientific paper that wins an award, but have not been introduced to the Maker's

purpose for all creation, I have not been educated.

If I can recite the National Pledge and the National Anthem, but have not been informed of the hand of God in the history of our country, I have not been educated.

If I can play the piano, the violin, six other instruments, and can write music that moves men to tears, but have not been taught to listen to the Director of the universe and worship Him, I have not been educated.

If I can run cross-country races, star in football, and do 100 push-ups without stopping, but have never been shown how to bend my spirit to God's Will, I have not been educated.

If I graduate with a perfect 4.0 and am accepted at the best university with a full scholarship, but have not been guided into a career in which I can please God, I have not been educated.

If I become a good citizen, voting at each election and fighting for what is moral and right, but have not been told of the sinfulness of man and his hopelessness without Christ, I have not been educated.

However, if one day I see the world as God sees it, and come to know Him, Whom to know is life eternal, and glorify God by fulfilling His purpose for me, then — and only then — I have truly been educated.

Try Jesus' Way!

By Jeremy Paschall

“And it came to pass, that, as the people pressed upon him to hear the word of God, he stood by the lake of Gennesaret, [2] And saw two ships standing by the lake: but the fishermen were gone out of them, and were washing their nets. [3] And he entered into one of the ships, which was Simon's, and prayed him that he would thrust out a little from the land. And he sat down, and taught the people out of the ship. [4] Now when he had left speaking, he said unto Simon, Launch out into the deep, and let down your nets for a draught. [5] And Simon answering said unto him, Master, we have toiled all the night, and have taken nothing: nevertheless at thy word I will let down the net. [6] And when they had this done, they inclosed a great multitude of fishes: and their net brake. [7] And they beckoned unto their partners, which were in the other ship, that they should come and help them. And they came, and filled both the ships, so that they began to sink. [8] When Simon Peter saw it, he fell down at Jesus' knees, saying, Depart from me; for I am a sinful man, O Lord. [9] For he was astonished, and all that were with him, at the draught of the fishes which they had taken: [10] And so was also James, and John, the sons of Zebedee, which were partners with Simon. And Jesus said unto Simon, Fear not; from henceforth thou shalt catch men. [11] And when they had brought their ships to land, they forsook all, and followed him.” (Luke 5:1-11 KJV)

Have you ever looked at your life and felt that there was something lacking? Perhaps you feel that you are just not measuring up to the Lord's standard in your spiritual life or that your family is not everything that it could be. Maybe you are dissatisfied with your service in the kingdom or struggling in your evangelistic efforts. I suppose that we all share those thoughts from time to time, but this story from the fifth chapter of Luke presents a solution to overcome those feelings of failure and disappointment.

Try Jesus' Way.

Simon was a professional fisherman who made his living on the Lake of Gennesaret, but he had been out all night (apparently

the prime time for catching fish there) without the slightest success. There can be little doubt that he was tired, frustrated, and ready to retire home for some needed rest before returning for the next night's work. Then along came Jesus, a carpenter's son from the inland city of Nazareth, and He was going to tell Simon how to fish? Certainly Simon had some reservations about Jesus' request to go fishing in the middle of the day, but notice his response: “I will do as You say and let down the nets” — “nevertheless at Your word I will let down the net” (NKJV, emp. added). Simon was willing to try Jesus' way, even when it made no sense to him. In the same way we need to be willing to try the Lord's will for every aspect of our lives, regardless of what our own hesitations or reservations might be.

Stand in Awe at the Results.

Simon did not expect the results he experienced. Had he anticipated such a catch of fish, he would have used stronger nets and bigger boats. But Simon did not dismiss what he saw as some kind of odd natural phenomenon or lucky happenstance. Instead he fell down at the feet of Jesus in complete awe of His power. Everyone else present marveled as well. Likewise, when we see the will of the Lord doing great things in our lives, we must give credit where credit is due and stand in awe of the Lord's power. Never fail to praise God for the blessings which come from doing His will. In so doing we will “shine before men in such a way that they may see [our] good works, and glorify [our] Father who is in heaven” (Matthew 5:16) — the Lord gets the glory!

Become a Follower.

After witnessing the Lord's great power, Simon knew that he was in the presence of a special Man. So when Jesus asked Simon to follow Him and serve His cause, Simon did not hesitate. He and his companions gladly forsook all that they knew to follow the Lord. When we see the great things that the Lord's will accomplishes in our lives, we too must be willing to give up our own ways and become disciples of Jesus Christ. When Jesus' way works (and it always does), we need to wholeheartedly and enthusiastically devote ourselves to that way.