

Northside Church of Christ

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



You Are What You Think By Keith Harris

We often hear the phrase, “You are what you eat.” For many of us, that’s a sobering thought...I love to eat pork.... But this same thought may be true when it comes to that upon which our minds dwell.

Paul says, “Finally, brothers, whatever is true, whatever is honorable, whatever is just, whatever is pure, whatever is lovely, whatever is commendable. If there is any excellence, if there is anything worthy of praise, think about these things. What you have learned and received and heard and seen in me—practice these things, and the God of peace will be with you” (Philippians 4:8-9). Paul clearly believes there is a significance to what we think.

Paul explains that we must keep our minds true. If we are going to follow in the steps of Jesus, we must be true and teach truth. We are to keep our thoughts on that which is honorable. Peter exhorts us to “Keep your conduct ... honorable, so that when [others] speak against you as evildoers, they may see your good deeds and glorify God...” (1 Peter 2:12).

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<p>SUNDAY MORNING</p> <p>Triple E Edify, Exhort, Evangelize</p> <p>When Shovels Break 8:30 AM</p>	<p>SUNDAY BIBLE STUDY</p> <p>9:30 AM</p>	<p>SUNDAY WORSHIP</p> <p>Worship Service</p> <p>10:30 AM</p>	<p>WEDNESDAY NIGHT</p> <p>The Book of Acts 7:00 PM</p>
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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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Worship From the Heart
By Alan Smith

A little boy asked his father what was the highest number he had ever counted. Replying that he didn't know, the father asked his son his highest number. It was 973.

"Why did you stop there?" wondered the father. "Because church was over."

I suspect that you have probably sat through worship services where your mind was focused on something just as trivial rather than on God.

It's easy to let the mind wander. "I can't wait to see the ball game this afternoon." "I wonder what we're having for lunch." "I've never noticed before that the carpet down there is starting to unravel a bit." Is it any wonder that we so often leave the worship assembly with the feeling that it wasn't very meaningful?

Worship should be a time when we are confronted with the majesty and glory of God. As we reflect on God's power, we realize how much we need Him in our times of weakness. As we reflect on God's wisdom, we realize how much we need Him in our times of indecision. As we reflect on God's holiness, we are made aware of our own sinfulness and the need for forgiveness. As we reflect on God's love, we realize the effort God has gone to to make that forgiveness available.

It's not a ritual we go through every week. It is an opportunity to express our praise to the One who means more to us than all the earth. As we truly worship and praise God from the heart, we become more aware of how much we want to live close to Him. We leave with the challenge to "be holy as He is holy."

"For the LORD is great and greatly to be praised; He is to be feared above all gods. For all the gods of the peoples are idols, But the LORD made the heavens. Honor and majesty are before Him; Strength and beauty are in His sanctuary. Give to the LORD, O families of the peoples, Give to the LORD glory and strength. Give to the LORD the glory due His name; Bring an offering, and come into His courts. Oh, worship the LORD in the beauty of holiness! Tremble before Him, all the earth." (Psalm 96:4-9).

And we need to keep our thoughts just and pure. We must keep our minds on that which is lovely, commendable, excellent, and praiseworthy. These words are descriptive of God and His presence, His countenance. Essentially, Paul is calling for his readers to be imitators of God.

If we are what we eat, is it possible that we are what we think? Are we living out the image of God? Let's make sure we are focusing our minds on that which brings honor and glory to God.

Announcements

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Prayer Requests This Week

- Pray for all those with ongoing health ailments
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Communion Preparation

- Sign up sheet for 2021 is in foyer
- October -
- November - Rowell
- December -

October Birthdays & Anniversary's

- Patrick Ford - 1st
- Maxine Powell - 17th
- Bowen Stephens - 4th
- Don Potts - 22nd
- Dave Cradic - 6th
- Sonja Rowell - 23rd
- Gerri Thrash - 13th
- Keren Thrash - 29th
- Austin & Morgan Dudley - 24th

Every Sunday Morning
@ 8:00 AM
on WTOK-TV



Sermon Notes

Men to Serve

Announcements/Opening Prayer - Don Potts
Scripture Reading - Luke 15:1 - 7
Lead Singing - Mark Potts
Head of Lord's Table - Shay Cooper
Assist on Lord's Table - Camden Cooper
Scripture Reading - John 19:25 - 30
Closing Prayer - James Johnson

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