

### Four Things Your Actions Teach Your Kids About The Church

**Teach them the importance of the church by committing to attend.** They need to see that church is a non-negotiable part of our lives and that God comes first in all things. When attendance is optional and we let all kinds of other activities take precedence, we shouldn't be surprised when the church doesn't matter to them as they become independent and make their own decisions.

**Teach them what matters in a church by your choice of where to attend.** If you choose a congregation because the lessons make you feel good, their takeaway will be that making people feeling good is the point of the church. If you choose one because of the offerings they've catered to you, you teach them that the church is an organization that is there to serve the individual rather than the other way around. If you choose one purely because it's a convenient distance from home, they'll learn that the character of the church matters far less than our own comfort.

When it's time to choose a congregation to be a part of, two reasons should outrank all the others: biblical teaching and opportunities to serve. From these they'll learn that the Bible is of utmost importance and that we are servants of the church, not customers.

**Teach them by your words the value of your church family.** If they hear us lifting up our church family in prayer, speaking well of them, and praising them, they will see the value of having a church family. On the other hand, if they hear us picking apart the preacher or the song leader or sharing the latest gossip or speaking negatively about our fellow members, it will teach them all kinds of bad attitudes. It will teach them to think of themselves as superior to others. It will teach them to be judgmental. And, ultimately, it will teach them to have little value or love for their church family.

Instead, we must find ways to teach our children to love the people who make up the church. Speak highly of your brothers and sisters. See the good. Encourage them and build them up when you're together. Though the people around us are never perfect, we can teach our children to love as Jesus loved by caring about our church family. And, we teach them humility and grace when we show them the importance of loving people through the ups and downs.

**Teach them by your fellowship that the church truly is a family.** When we tell people that church is a family and then only see each other briefly each week, know little about each other, and rarely help build each other up and bear each other's burdens, they'll start to see "church family" as little more than a weak metaphor. Teach your kids that you mean it when you call your fellow members your family.

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## PUZZLE FOR THE WEEK

This puzzle is taken from Hebrews 10:

M	U	O	D	T	G	T	O	D	S	O	L	X	Z	L
Q	I	Q	F	N	S	K	R	A	K	Y	P	T	I	O
Y	N	N	I	F	P	E	N	H	T	U	E	C	S	O
J	Y	V	I	H	E	C	I	S	S	B	B	O	T	T
H	I	E	L	S	T	R	O	L	O	Y	S	V	R	S
L	O	P	K	I	T	H	I	L	O	G	A	E	A	T
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G	H	D	S	T	I	M	B	P	P	G	I	O	I	Y
M	I	N	D	S	H	E	M	L	Y	W	C	S	H	O
G	E	O	R	S	D	G	L	Z	O	G	E	I	I	L
W	R	E	M	I	S	S	I	O	N	O	S	N	C	R
B	P	B	P	Y	A	R	N	R	D	T	D	S	T	W

1. Every priest stands daily doing what and what often offering the same what which never take away what?
2. Where is Christ siting in comparison to God?
3. Jesus will sit here until His what are made His what?
4. Jesus has perfected them forever who are what?
5. Who is also a witness?
6. He made what with them after those days?
7. He put their laws into their what and wrote them in their what?
8. What and what will He remember no more?
9. When they have what, they will no longer need offering for sin?
10. As Christians we can have what to enter into the what by the what of Jesus?
11. The way we have is what and what?

### WHAT DID YOU THINK OF CHURCH, DADDY?

Every Sunday, just about noon, families walk out of church building, get in the car and begin the drive home. Crucial religious instruction takes place then. Here are some of the positions a parent can take as these minutes tick away.

Act like you have never been to worship services. Do not mention anything that happened. The whole experience was lived in another world; now you are back in the real world.

Play 'Devil's Advocate.' Take the opposite side from the preacher; punch a few holes in the sermon. Make fun of the song leader noting that he sang too slow, too fast; pitched the songs too low or too high; sang too many songs or not enough. Make fun of the prayer and the prayer leader. Criticize the entire services and all the work of the church.

Support the things that took place. There will be times when this will be easier to do than at other times. But make an effort always to be supportive. Speak kindly of the elders, deacons and preacher. Display an attitude of love and appreciation and above all unity. Remember the little ears that are listening and learning.

There is a teachable moment right after worship services. Give some thought as to what you make of it!

- Author unknown

# NEWS AND NOTES

## REMEMBER IN PRAYER:

## IN OTHER NEWS:

*Photos for the photo board* will be taken again *January 26<sup>th</sup>* for any new members or those who would like to update their photos.

### *Those Privileged To Serve*

January 26, 2020

#### SUNDAY MORNING

Song Leader: Noah Flanrey  
 Opening Prayer: J. L. May  
 Closing Prayer: Jason Garland  
 Bible Reading: Hal Baugh  
 Preacher: Terry Joe Kee

#### LORD'S TABLE

Presiding: Mitch Mosley  
 Reginald Read Mark Wooten  
 Tom Carner Steve Stoker  
 Jacob Eddleman Logan Snyder

#### ANNOUNCEMENTS

Randy Oden

#### SUNDAY EVENING

Song Leader: Noah Flanrey  
 Opening Prayer: Barry Roush  
 Closing Prayer: Jim Johnson  
 Preacher: Terry Joe Kee

#### WEDNESDAY NIGHT

Song Leader: Ben Johns  
 Opening Prayer: Mike Felts  
 Closing Prayer: Noah Flanrey

#### DEVOTIONAL SPEAKER

(Wednesday, January 29)  
 Ben Johns

### NUMBERS FOR THE WEEK

January 19, 2020

Sunday Bible Study	113
Sunday AM Worship	151
Sunday PM Worship	102
Wednesday Bible Study	
Contribution	\$6071

### SCRIPTURE OF THE WEEK:

**“Hatred stirreth up  
 strifes: but love covereth  
 all sins.”**

**Proverbs 10:12**

# THE FRIEND OF TRUTH

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*“Am I therefore become your enemy, because I tell you the truth?” (Galatians 4:16)*

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# KeeNotes

We enjoyed a good day Sunday, but aren't all Sundays good? Every opportunity we have to be gathered with the saints is a good day. What a blessing it is to be gathered with those of like precious faith to worship. Today marks another day we have been given to praise and honor our Father. We certainly have good reason to rejoice and be glad today and every day.

Our attendance last week was better than we have had recently, with several visitors gathers with us. We certainly appreciate those who come and visit with us and we rejoice at seeing those we have gotten to know over the years, as well as meeting new ones we hope to get to know better. Let us all be working to invite one person each week to come and be with us. If we could get into the habit of inviting someone to just come and worship with us, we never know what influence that can have on reaching a lost soul or encouraging a wayward member. So think of someone this week who you can invite to come and be with us.

I am so thankful for the way in which our teachers are working with the new curriculum in our Bible classes. From the youngest among us to the oldest we have new studies underway and new teachers in place to help us grow and mature in Christ. This good time of edification is a good time to help us spiritually mature in Christ.

The new class on Wednesday nights I am teaching on “How To Study?” has been going well. The class has some good interest being shown and many are working very hard to become better Bible students. One said she had actually turned the TV off for three hours each day and had been reading and studying her Bible. This is the kind of commitment we need to grow in our knowledge. Others are telling me how their children are enjoying the new studies and are looking forward to coming to class each time. Those you to every teacher and student who make our Bible school a success. It takes all of us working together for our Bible school to be successful and we are blessed to have so many eager learners.

As goes the Bible school, so goes the church. This was said years ago by someone in the church. The Bible school is a vital part of our work. When the Bible school is strong the church will be too. We are blessed with dedicated teachers who give their best and we have so many good Bible school students who are studying and trying to learn and grow daily. God bless you all.

#### SHEPHERDS

Dan Nichols  
 Randy Oden  
 Jody Pickens

#### DEACONS

Scottie Blanchard  
 Jerry Dodson  
 Mike Felts  
 Jason Garland  
 Marshall Lands  
 Mark Wooten

#### EVANGELISTS

Terry Joe Kee

#### MISSIONARIES

Michael Hughes  
 Arnold Kelley  
 Guyana, South America  
 Warren, PA

#### SERVICES

##### SUNDAY

Classes 9:00 a.m.  
 Worship 10:00 a.m.  
 5:00 p.m.

##### WEDNESDAY

Bible Study 7:00 p.m.

#### What Must I Do To Be Saved?

*Hear* the Word of God  
 Romans 10:17

*Believe* the Word of God  
 John 8:24

*Repent* of your sins  
 Luke 13:3

*Confess* your faith in Jesus  
 as the Son of God  
 Romans 10:9,10

*Be Baptized* for the  
 remission of your sins

Acts 2:38

*Live faithfully*  
 Revelation 2:10

*“Where there is no vision,  
 the people perish...”*  
 Proverbs 29:18

*God Give Us 2020 Vision  
 in 2020*

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