

"A Friendly Church on a Convenient Corner"
Mirick at Crawford – Denison, Texas
601 W. Crawford Denison, Texas 75020

SUNDAY

Bible Class..... 9:30 am
Morning Worship..... 10:30 am
Evening Worship..... 5:00 pm

WEDNESDAY

Midweek Bible Classes..... 4:00 & 7:00 pm

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Nearer to Jesus

*Nearer to Jesus, the Crucified One,
Lord of great mercy, and God's only Son.
Nearer to Jesus, Who saves me from sin;
I'm trusting my all in the Savior of men.*

*Nearer to Jesus, so why should I fear?
He has bequeathed me His message of cheer.
Near to Jesus, the strength of my life-
And He is my leader, through danger and strife.*

*Near to Jesus, what comfort and rest!
With loving kindness I surely am blest.
Near to Jesus, who giveth me peace,
And Joy and salvation, which never shall cease.*

*Near to Jesus the Savior of love,
Nearer to heaven, His kingdom above;
Nearer the robe and the crown I shall wear,
And nearer the riches of glory up there!*
--Frank Roush and L.O. Sanderson

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Rules for a Happy Life

Count your Blessing, Not your Troubles

"Bless be the God and Father of our Lord Jesus Christ, who has blessed us with every spiritual blessing in the heavenly places in Christ Jesus" (Ephesians 1: 3).

Think Correctly

"Finally, brethren, whatever things are true, whatever things are noble, whatever things are just, whatever things are pure, whatever things are lovely, whatever things are of good report, if there is any virtue and if there is anything praiseworthy—meditate on these things" (Philippians 4: 8).

Learn to say, "I Love You"

The Elder (John), to the beloved Gaius, "whom I love in truth" (3 John 1).

Seek Good in Everyone

But there were some who were indignant among themselves, and said, "Why was this fragrant oil wasted? For it might have been sold for more than three hundred denarii and given to the poor." And they criticized her sharply. But Jesus said, "Let her alone. Why do you trouble her? She has done a good work for Me" (Mark 14: 4-6).

Be a Giver

I have shown you in every way, by laboring like this, that you must support the weak. And remember the words of the Lord Jesus, that He said, 'It is more blessed to give than to receive' (Acts 20: 35).

Do Good Every Day

"...how God anointed Jesus of Nazareth with the Holy Spirit and with power, who went about doing good and healing all who were oppressed by the devil, for God was with Him" (Acts 10: 38).

Live One Day at a Time

"Therefore do not worry about tomorrow, for tomorrow will worry about its own things. Sufficient for the day is its own trouble" (Matthew 6: 34).

True Happiness is in the Lord

"Rejoice in the Lord always. Again I will say rejoice" (Philippians 4: 4).

THE RECORD

Bible Class..... 62
Worship..... 85
Evening Worship..... 46
Contribution..... \$3,524.54
Wednesday..... Sept 28..... 45

MEN TO SERVE - Sunday, October 9

MORNING WORSHIP

Announcements: David Sweet

Scripture Reading: Charlie Morris - John 4: 24

Song Leader: Chris Delashaw

Prayers: Charlie Morris
Cecil Crabtree
Rick Keitz

Sermon: Gregg Knight - **"Worship in Spirit"**

Communion:

West Side
Mark Keown
Randy Hackworth

East Side
Dale Phillips - **Scripture, Prayer)**
James England

EVENING WORSHIP - 5:00 pm.

Prayers: Gregg Knight
Pete Timpanaro

Sermon: Gregg Knight - **"Attitude About God"** - Job 40: 2

Communion:

West Side
Randy Hackworth

East Side
James England

Deacon of the Month: Cecil Crabtree

If you are unable to serve, please call deacon of the month.

Can you find it in the Bible? A reference to 'The Way' in both the Old and New Testaments

Last week's answer: Romans 1: 16, "For I am not ashamed of the gospel of Christ, for it is the power of God to salvation for everyone who believes, for the Jew first and also for the Greek."
1 Corinthians 1: 18, "For the message of the cross is foolishness to those who are perishing, but to us who are being saved it is the power of God." 1 Corinthians 1: 23-24, "...but we preach Christ crucified, to the Jews a stumbling block and to the Greeks foolishness, but to those who are called, both Jews and Greeks, Christ the power of God and the wisdom of God." The teaching of Jesus is God's power to save but we must believe (obey) the message.

Greetings from ... Perplexed! After such a good attendance Sunday morning, only half returned for evening worship! Why? I really would like an answer! I think some really need to read the CHALLENGE mentioned below!

BORROWED: "When David faced Goliath, he did not talk about how dangerous Goliath was. He talked about how great God is. Do not talk fear. Talk faith."
- - from Robert Waters

"We live in a generation in which not a few people scoff at the ideas of a "talking serpent," an ark full of animals, and being born of a virgin, yet simultaneously claim that men can get pregnant, urge women to "shout your abortion," and ponder over the question: "What is a woman?"
- - Steven George Hetherington

CHUCKLE: "Sometimes I just wish I had the wisdom of a 90 year old, the body of a 20 year old and the energy of a two year old."

"The older I get the tighter companies are putting lids on jars."

FAMILY STRENGTH: *Children are a treasure that need to be valued, accepted, and supported. How do we show them we delight in them? First, tell them and often. "I'm happy to have you as my son/daughter. We are so blessed to have you in our life." Even better, write it down and watch them save it for years. Second, listen to them! It is too easy to cut kids off because we want to speak. They may stop trying to be heard. Third, invest in them. Spend time doing things they like and do things together. Take time to genuinely love them!*

CHALLENGE: *We get so involved in living life with all its ups and downs, responsibilities, and distractions, sometimes we forget what is important. Take personal time to answer this question: "Is God important in my life? How is it evident?"*

QUOTES: "Smile! Happy looks good on you!" - - Jon Rowe

"The greatest prison people live in is the fear of what other people think." - - unknown

"Do the right thing, even when no one is looking. It is called integrity."
"It is easier to build temples than to be temples to God."
--Matthew Henry

SCRIPTURE HIGHLIGHT: "They will teach my people the difference between what is holy and what is common, what is ceremonially clean and unclean" (Ezek. 44:23).

CLOSING ENCOURAGEMENT: **Hey, it matters!** God knows all about us. He knows if we are clean or unclean. There is no fooling Him. If unclean, He loves you too much to leave you like you are. Change is necessary! Remember how Christ came down to earth to show us the way. He came so we could have hope of life eternal. Keep seeking truth and do what it takes to get clean in His sight. His love is great!

...Gregg

NEWS & NOTES

Those that serve in worship: The elders ask that all men who will serve in the worship service be in the old secretary room 5 minutes before worship.

Bulletin Board: Please check the bulletin board for information updates and reading study materials.

New this week 'House to House Heart to Heart' & 'Seek The Old Paths' pick up copies for yourself and a friend.

Birthdays Oct. 6 - 12th: Connor Sweet 12th.

Gospel Meetings:

Oct 9-12, Northside church of Christ in Bonham.

Oct 23-26, Bells, TX church of Christ

Lectureship: Oct 9-12, Ivanhoe church of Christ.

More information on each of these meeting posted on the west foyer bulletin board.

October 16th, Friends and Family Day: On Oct. 16th, we've set aside this day as a set time for all to invite friends and family. We have invitation cards available (west auditorium table) to mail out to friends and family members. Pick up and use as many as you like.

Sign-up sheet to bring food to our Family and Friends day on Oct. 16th is on the east wall back of auditorium.

Feeding Families at Reba's Ranch House, Monday, Oct 17th.

See Bonny Delashaw if you would like to help with this.

Keep These Members in our Prayers:

Joyce Stewart, Marie Spalding, Glenda Robinson, Pat Hodges, Dianne Stout, Mark Allen, Sheree Garlington, Sheryl Rushing, Earl & J. B. Craig, Faye Roach, Margo Smith, Julia McClain, Bess Martin, John Nelson, Sidney & Elane DeFratus, Michelle Musgrave, Paul & Kay Jackson, Orvill & Sharron Morris, Lonnie Stephens, Liz Low, Jim & Eva Owen, Dixie Cheek, Norma Armstrong, Norma Joe Shannon. Tracy Delagardelle, Mary Binion - (Denison Manor, room 114).

Gwen Castleman - (Brookdale Willow Center, Room 111).

Nell Williams - (Wesley Village, Apt 802).

Pat Hodges - (Grayson Place, room 114).

Katherine Easter- (Celebration Senior Living, room 111).

If you have any updates on family members or friends that needs our prayers. Please inform the elders or Gregg and we will post it and make an announcement to the congregation.

Sick: Sidney DeFratus is having his pacemaker surgery Oct 11th.

"Gatekeepers of the Home"

I'm not sure who needs to hear this, but in response to Disney and FX's new show being released, maybe we all need this reminder.

YOU sweet Mothers are the gatekeepers of your home. You have the authority, along with your husband, to decide what comes in and what stays outside. You are here to block out the evil and bring in the good, the true and the beautiful.

You are the gatekeeper of your home which also means that so much of what children can be "accidentally" exposed to can come from simple choices that you make.

You have the ability to say no to tablets, televisions in the bedroom and cell phones at any age. You have the ability to say no to sleepovers or gatherings where your child may be exposed to things that you don't want them to see or learn just yet.

You are the gatekeeper of the home and the steward of your children. Choose wisely.

Our children will be exposed to evil one day, but the goal as the gatekeeper of the home is to delay the exposure so you can preserve their innocence and lay down a foundation for them that will result in them thinking biblically when evil things come their way.

We have to be ready from all attacks from the devil because he doesn't even hide anymore. Just because a show is targeted for adults doesn't make it okay. That's just the enemy's way of trying to take you down along with your family. And it's not okay.

Our goal as the gatekeeper of the home is to preserve the good, the true and the beautiful. By preserving this we can build our families on the rock and not infiltrate our homes with evil.

Don't be afraid to be bold in your choices. Don't be afraid to be weird and do things like #homeschool or become media free. Don't be afraid to be strict or wait for electronics. Don't be afraid to be a strong and faithful gatekeeper. Your children need you to do this!

And most of all, don't forget to pray. Pray for our children. Pray for our homes. And pray that the rock we build our homes on will stand tall against the evil that lurks just outside its door.

- - unknown