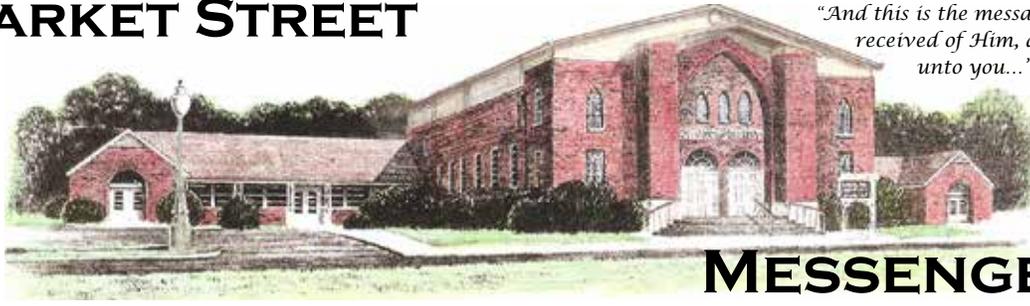


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"And this is the message we have received of Him, and declare unto you..." (1 John 1:5)



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Sunday

Bible Classes..... 9:45 a.m.
Morning Worship..... 10:30 a.m.
Evening Worship.....5:00 p.m.

Wednesday

Bible Classes.....7:00 p.m.

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The four gospels do not tell us much about what happened on the day between the crucifixion and resurrection. From John 20.19 we learn that after Jesus had died on the cross, the disciples stayed behind locked doors for fear of the Jewish leaders. Their fear was well-founded because on that Saturday the chief priests and the Pharisees met with Pilate and asked him to order the tomb sealed to prevent the disciples from stealing Jesus' body (Matthew 27.62-66).

After the resurrection, those same religious leaders would bribe the guards so they would spread the false rumor that the disciples had stolen the body of Jesus from the tomb (Matthew 28.11-15). In a strange twist, the enemies of Jesus had a greater belief in His resurrection than his disciples. The only other detail we know about Saturday is that the women who were with Jesus at the cross, ***"rested on the Sabbath according to the commandment."*** (Luke 23.56).

In many ways this Sabbath day represents life as it is for all of us. The crucifixion is past, but death is still present with us and the final victory of our resurrection lies somewhere in the future. Death was defeated by Jesus, but it has not yet been destroyed. That happy day is still in front of us (1 Corinthians 15.26).

The message of silent Saturday is, ***"Get ready. Something is about to happen, but it hasn't happened yet."*** You see, we're not moving back toward the crucifixion we are moving towards the resurrection. Friday is past, Saturday is here but Sunday is coming.

Saturday will not last forever. Sooner than we think, Sunday will be here. All we've got to do is hold on a little while longer and soon it will be here.

Revolutionary Thinking

Don Truex

America is once again in the midst of a revolution. A revolution that will impact every conceivable aspect of life. A revolution that seeks to undermine the foundation upon which our nation, our faith, our individual lives are built.

It is a revolution in thinking. A philosophy that argues that absolute truth does not exist and that all lifestyles, religions, cultures and world-views are equally valid. A mind set that argues that opinions matter as much as evidence, that reality is in the mind of the beholder, that every view is valid and every opinion must be respected.

In this revolution, the only real sin is criticizing someone else's view or moral choice. Truth Matters. As a prelude to this morning's sermon,

may I just remind us all that truth matters to God. He is called the "God of truth" in IS 65:16. Jesus, His son, came to this world "full of grace and truth" and identified Himself "the Truth" (JN 1:14; 14:6). The Holy Spirit is styled the "Spirit of truth" and had the task of leading the apostles and, by extension, us, via the Scripture into "all truth" (JN 14:17; 16:13). God's word is called the "Scripture of Truth" (DN 10:21).

Truth Directs. We are called to worship in truth (JN 4:23) ... To be sanctified by the truth (JN 17:17) ... To speak the truth in love (EP 4:15) ... To walk in truth (3 JN 3) ... To correctly handle the word of truth (2 TM 2:15) ... To do nothing against the truth but only for the truth (2 CR 13:8). The apostles were willing to die for the truth.

Truth Rejected. And yet, truth is not always respected. Isaiah lamented that "truth has stumbled in the streets...it is nowhere to be found (59:14,15). Jeremiah complained that truth had perished, vanished away (7:28). Amos spoke of those who despised anyone who told the unvarnished, unadulterated truth (5:10).

As a result, we are counseled to "buy the truth and sell it not" (PR 23:23). Why? Because men will distort the truth (AC 20:30) ... Suppress the truth (RM 1:18) ... Exchange the truth for lies (RM 1:25) ... Reject the truth (RM 2:8) ... Refuse to love the truth (2 TH 2:10) ... Oppose the truth (2 TM 3:8) ... Turn their

... Deny the truth (JS 3:14) ... Wander from the truth (JS 5:19) ... And not live in the truth (1 JN 1:6). Truth Embraced. We are not talking about expediency, that is, what will work best to accomplish our goals. We are not talking about peace, that is, what will make others happy and keep us out of trouble. We are not talking about political correctness, that is, what is currently in vogue in our culture and inoffensive to society.

We are talking about truth -- God revealed, untainted, unvarnished -- regardless of topic and regardless of impact. Let's study carefully about that this morning.

Dad's Make Everyday Count

Roy Baldwin

Legendary football coach Vince Lombardi was well-known for his passion for teamwork, commitment and success. Lombardi was driven to succeed, and he knew that winning required hard work and sacrifice. "I firmly believe that any man's finest hour," Lombardi said, "the greatest fulfillment of all that he holds dear, is that moment when he has worked his heart out in a good cause and lies exhausted on the field of battle – victorious."

As a father, my wife and children dominate the list of the things that I hold dear, and I will gladly lay exhausted on the field of battle for the cause of protecting and serving my family. Assessing victory or defeat on the football field is relatively straightforward. Fatherhood is different. There is no off-season. No signing bonuses. No referees. Yet victory is still possible.

One of the most effective parenting game plans is to simply take advantage of everyday opportunities to love our children and instill right values in them. To be the best dad we can be is to make every day count.

So, where do we begin? We start with five key behaviors of a healthy, thriving family. These five behaviors demonstrate that small daily investments can make a big impact in a child's life.

Prayer: More than just praying for our children, prayer allows us to model for them the importance of taking our requests to a loving and gracious God. Family prayer has drawn us closer to each other and to God.

Laughter: Modern science tells us that laughter has many benefits. It can increase blood flow, reduce stress and even help suppress pain. Laughter also has a profound impact on social interactions: Laughter connects us with others. Having fun as a family strengthens your relationships with your children and helps create positive memories.

Time: We all have to choose how to occupy our limited free time, but you will never regret spending extra time with your children. (Watching TV together is not enough!) Ask yourself: Is the time we spend together as a family positive? Does it draw us closer together, or are we simply in the same home at the same time?

Conversation: Talking is not always the same as conversing. A lot of family communication centers on superficial aspects of our lives such as managing daily schedules and whether or not we are keeping up with our regular duties (chores, homework, etc.). Do you ever set aside time to learn more about your children, to exchange ideas and opinions free from the regular interruptions of life? Can you name the "one thing" that gives meaning to your child's life? Most parents can't. Dads, if we don't ask these questions – and actively listen to the answers – then we may never know our children's fears and dreams.

Dinner: Researchers have found that family members who eat dinner together at least four times a week exhibit improved communication, healthier eating habits, higher grades and fewer problems with at-risk behaviors. The key to family dinners is keeping them free from distractions. Unplug from the world and pay attention to each other. Use dinner-time to engage in some of the other thriving family behaviors: time, prayer and conversation (and maybe even some laughter).

If your family is lacking in these behaviors, don't despair. We all fall short as parents, but it's never too late to start. No matter the ages of your children, begin today to take advantage of everyday interactions.

Maybe your children are grown and out of the house. You can still pray with them and for them, even if it's over the phone. Invite them to dinner if they live nearby. Take the time to have a conversation about something other than the weather; maybe you'll even get to share a few laughs.

It's time to make every day count.

News & Notes...

THE SICK:

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| JoAnn Gilbert | Cornelia Pepper |
| Bobbie Adcock | Linda Jones |
| Ann Bush | Wayne Reyer |
| Doris Lovell | Wayne Gooch |
| Bonnie Sutton | Dwayne Allfrey |
| Peggy Pepper | James Johnson |
| Elvie Coffman | |

Those Undergoing Treatments or Chronic Illness:

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| Irene Inman | Jeanette Weir |
| Janice Cagle | Patsy Thomas |
| Priscilla Tucker | Ella Melvin |
| Bobby McLemore | Cindy Glass |
| Matt Poff | Susan Cox |
| Elizabeth Howard | Al Pollard |
| Linda Ordonez | Wayne Wooldridge |
| Cindy Walker | Phillip Harwell |
| Gene Carpenter | Charles Burns |
| Betty Christopher | Una King Currier |
| Ava Brooke Campbell | |

In The Hospital/Rehabilitation:

Winfred Corsbie room 1560 Huntsville Hospital
Norman Hamm; Millenium Rehab - Huntsville

Athens Health & Rehabilitation:

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| Dorothy Draper, rm. 73 | Christine Hudson, rm. 77 |
| Joyce Martin, rm. 63 | Mattye Murray, rm. 2 |
| Evelyn Hogan, rm. 36 | Valeria Dalton, rm. 7 |
| Virginia Meyer, rm. 98 | |

Shut-In or Away From Home:

Robert & Mot Beasley, at City Center, Decatur
 Frances Bowers, Limestone Manor
 Gwen Bullock, at granddaughter's in Huntsville
 Mary Ruth Gardner, at Merrill Gardens, Madison
 Carl Hargrave, at granddaughter's home in Hartselle
 Irene Inman, at home
 William Thomas, Madison Manor, Madison
 Kathleen Wales, Limestone Manor

UPDATES:

Bonnie Sutton had surgery on his arm this past week after sustaining injuries from an automobile accident. He is now home recovering. **Donna Wright** is to have a lung biopsy on July 26. **Winfred Corsbie** father of **Lisa Wulkekuhl** was injured in an accident at his home in Cherokee this past week and was Med-Flight to Hunstville Hospital with multiple injuries. He has since been moved out of SICU to room 1560.

GOSPEL MEETINGS:

New Hope: Sun- Fri Greg Tucker
Jennings Chapel: Sun- Fri Lowell Salee
Singing- Jackson Heights, Columbia, Tn. July 27

WORK GROUPS: Work Group Three will be meeting after our evening service. If you are in group three, remember to meet with your group tonight.

OUT OF TOWN:

Wanda Nave is in Mississippi. **The Bradley's** are in Texas. The **Hamm's** are on vacation.

THE RECORD: Attendance for the week of July 15th

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| Sunday: | Bible Classes..... | 119 |
| | Morning Worship..... | 165 |
| | Evening Worship..... | 128 |
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Men Privileged To Serve:

Sunday, July 22th:

Morning Worship

Announcement.....Harvey Nixon
 Song Leader.....Tommy Burns
 Prayer.....A.J. Price
 Preaching.....Buc Chumbley
 Lord's Supper:
 Presiding.....Marty R. Adams
 Assisting.....Albert Haraway
 Serving.....Matthew Vaughn, David Terry
Danny Johnson, Landon Adams
 Closing Prayer.....Roger Hammonds

Evening Worship

Announcements.....Harvey Nixon
 Song LeaderHunter Cox
 Prayer.....Steve Usery
 Preaching.....David Cox
 Lord's SupperMarty R, Adams
 Closing PrayerTommy Coblentz

Other Assignments for the week of July 15th:

Ushers.....Marvin Putman Dwaine Allfrey
 Work Sound System.....Nathaniel Adams

Wednesday, July 29th:

Song LeaderLarry Holt
 Bible ReadingSteve Usery
Mark 6.1-13
 Prayer.....Kenneth Adams
 Invitation.....A. J. Price
 Closing PrayerAlbert Haraway
 Usher.....Keith Hinkle

Sunday, July 29nd:

Morning Worship

Announcements.....Marcus Morris
 Song LeaderAlbert Haraway
 Prayer.....Nathaniel Adams
 Preaching.....David Cox
 Lord's Supper
 Presiding.....Harvey Nixon
 Assisting.....Larry Holt
 Serving.....Tommy Burns, Roger Hammonds
Steve Usery, Clayton Hamm
 Closing PrayerLarry Tucker

Other Assignments for the week of July 29th:

Ushers.....Steve Bradley, A. J. Price
 Work Sound System.....Landon Adams

Evening Worship

Announcements.....Marcus Morris
 Song LeaderAshton Gatlin
 Prayer.....Jerry McGlocklin
 Preaching.....Singing
 Lord's SupperHarvey Nixon
 Closing PrayerArvid McGuire