

The Reminder

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Schedule of Services

SUNDAY:
9:30 AM Worship
11:00 AM Bible Study
5:00 PM Worship

WEDNESDAY:
7:30 PM Bible Study

“A Fruit of the Spirit - Kindness”

Christians are kind people. They exemplify a caring attitude toward others all the time. Kindness is a fruit of the Holy Spirit (Gal. 5:22,23). Kindness is seen in an expression of concern and love. It is realized in acts of genuine benevolence upon those who need. In the parable of the Good Samaritan, Jesus asked who was a neighbor to the man who fell among thieves. The answer was apparent - the one who showed the injured man kindness. Jesus told them, "Go and do likewise." (Luke 10:25-37).

The apostle Paul wrote, "Love...is kind" (I Cor. 13:4b). The Father in heaven loved us and showed us "the exceeding riches of His grace in His kindness toward us in Christ Jesus" (Eph. 2:7). "But when the kindness and the love of God our Savior toward man appeared, not by works of righteousness which we have done, but according to His mercy He saved us, through the washing of regeneration and renewing of the Holy Spirit, whom He poured out on us abundantly through Jesus Christ our Savior, that having been justified by His grace we should become heirs according to the hope of eternal life.

This is a faithful saying, and these things I want you to affirm constantly, that those who have believed in God should be careful to maintain good works. These things are good and profitable to men" (Titus 3:4-8).

Kindness flows from God upon all of mankind. Christians show kindness and compassion to others because they have received the fullness of God's grace which comes forth from the kindness and love of God. The Scriptures reveal how children of God should treat one another: "Be kindly affectionate to one another with brotherly love, in honor giving preference to one another" (Rom. 12:10). Peter calls it "brotherly kindness" (II Pet. 1:7). Paul tells us to put kindness on like clothing (Col. 3:12).

Beautiful and virtuous attributes are the offspring of kindness, for the Christian will pleasantly serve when called upon. The follower of Christ will be gentle and gracious toward others in his words and actions. Happy and helpful with a glad smile will be the touch of God's disciple. There be no doubt of the kindness that is the fruit of the Spirit.

Ron Drumm



“Battle for the Mind”

Morning Lesson

“Make No Excuses”
Jack Smith

Evening Lesson

Singing

News and Notes:

Continue praying for those of our number who have on-going health issues. Deb Haley, Janice Kimbrough, Jan Cooper, Curby Stech, Laura Claburn and Don Hurd.

Lori Knapp is/was in Dallas. Their grandson has "RSV" a respiratory virus that is dangerous to infants. Plus a chance to be with children. Pray for the family. Charlotte is doing better, still undergoing a few tests, but everything looks good. Other than these, our physical issues/blessings are about normal.

I did hear that David Davila's grandmother passed away. Our sympathy to him and his family.

I'll be leaving for a few days this afternoon. Plan to return on Friday. Tonight is singing night and Steve will cover the invitation.

We will have in place today the new focus on the Lord's Supper. Let us know what you think. How can we improve?

Jesus explained to his disciples, “A good man out of the good treasure of his heart bringeth forth that which is good; and an evil man out of the evil treasure of his heart bringeth forth that which is evil: for of the abundance of the heart his mouth speaketh” ([Luke 6:45](#)).

Solomon revealed in the book of Proverbs, “For as he thinketh in his heart, so is he...” ([Proverbs 23:7](#)), Whatever controls our mind (heart) controls our speech, feelings, and behavior.

Satan wants control of your mind. He wants to control your life so he can make you suffer. He wants you to sin so you will have to face the natural, terrible consequences of sin ‘here on earth and the eternal consequences of sin after the judgment. He is a liar, full of deceit. He is working 24 hours a day to put false ideas into your mind just so you will sin and suffer. Remember Adam and Eve.

God wants control of your mind, too. He wants to control your life so you can enjoy an abandon life here on earth and terrible life after the judgment. He wants you to have peace, contentment, love, joy, patience, self-control, etc. He sent Jesus, full of grace and truth, to rescue you from the deception and lies of Satan ([John 1](#): 14). He has given you the Bible, his revelation of truth, to study and fill your mind so you can live a life free from the power of Satan's lies.

Who controls your mind and the quality of life you live, is up to you. That's right; it is your choice. Satan can't control your mind unless you choose to let him, but neither can God (Cf. [James 4:1-10](#)). What are you choosing to fill your mind — the lies of Satan or the truths of God?
- Bud Lambert

ASSIGNMENTS

MORNING SERVICE

Announcements - M. Miles
Hymn Director - R. McDonald
Scripture Reader - J. Seale
Luke 18:31-34
Opening Prayer - J. Knapp
Closing Prayer - M. Miles

EVENING SERVICE

Hymn Director - M. Robinson
Opening Prayer - T. Walker
Closing Prayer - M. Miles

EVANGELIST

Jack Smith
Steve Garrett

ELDERS

Mark Mann
Matt Miles
Mike Pharris
Jack Smith

DEACONS

Scott Clanton
David Davila
Dan Kimbrough
Jesse Knapp
Alex Morolez
Gregory Williams

BIBLE CLASSES

- Acts
- Holy Spirit
- Exodus and Deuteronomy
- Graded Classes for Children