# The Reminder

The weekly newsletter of the church of Christ in Bellaire, TX



## SUNDAY SEPTEMBER 20, 2015

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Schedule of Services Sunday: 9:30 AM Worship 11:00 AM Bible Study

**WEDNESDAY:** 7:30 PM Bible Study

GOSPEL MEETING: November 13, 14, 15

- Fall Singing
- Jeff Wilson Lessons from Isaiah.

# "Count Your Blessings"

"Count Your Blessings." In the twenty-third Psalm David wrote of the vastness of God's blessings when he said, "You prepare a table before me in the presence of my enemies; You anoint my head with oil; My cup runs over." The idea of counting our every blessing is an intriguing one to be sure. We certainly give it plenty of lip service and we even on occasion sing about the bountiful blessings of God. It is profitable for us to stop frequently to consider the many blessings God has bestowed upon us. Not only that, but it is also our duty to meditate upon the goodness of God.

"Name Them One By One." Some think of their blessings only in mass, in the abstract; with broad general strokes we thank God for them. There is however an urgent need in our lives to begin thinking of God's blessings more specifically. We need to particularize our blessings in order to fully understand the graciousness of God. Our blessings are endless. Look at everything in your life, everything in this world, everything you hold dear. write them down give God the glory. This will also allow us to come to a fuller understanding as to our utter dependence upon Him.

It is He who holds all things together and upholds the universe by the power of His word (Colossians 1.17; Hebrews 1.3).

What The Lord Hath Done." Remember the glory belongs to God! What has God done for you in this life? God has given vou life! He has blessed vou with the fullness of the earth. He has cared for us spiritually and has given us the hope of eternal life in the sacrifice of His dear Son. The problem for so many of us is that we hold on to all that we have as though it is ours by our own power. We fail to see that it is God who has shared with us what belongs to Him. We give ourselves praise, honor and glory for what we have, not Him. There needs to be a change in our attitude toward the blessings of God. And when there is, how wonderful will be the vision. when the haze of selfishness and pride is lifted.

If you are not a Christian today, take a good hard look at what God has already done for you. Especially for His love and mercy! Love Him in return by being obedient to Him (John 14.15).

- Tim Dooley (edited)

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## Morning Lesson

"Where Defeat Meets Triumph" Steve Garrett

#### **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.

Muffy's uncle, Ralph Marble, passed away on Thursday. Please continue to remember their family in your prayers. Joyful news, most of you have seen on Facebook that Chad and LaDonna's baby, Wren, was born early Thursday morning via "C"-section. Mother and baby are doing great. They should go home from hospital this afternoon if all goes well.

The youth devotional and the women's study are both this afternoon at 2:00. The Women's class is at the building, and the youth devotional is at the Smith's house.

Make plans for our gospel meeting and singing in November, the dates are posted on front of bulletin. It will be a profitable time for us. Be sure to do your part.

# "If Jesus Came To Your House"

If Jesus came to your house to spend a day or two - If he came unexpectedly, I wonder what you'd do. - Oh, I know you'd give your nicest room to such and honored Guest - And all the food you'd serve to Him would be the very best; And you would keep assuring Him you're glad to have Him there - That servicing Him in your home is joy beyond compare. - But, when you saw Him coming, would you meet him at the door - With arms outstretched in welcome to your heavenly visitor? Or would you have to change your clothes before you let Him in, Or hide some magazines and put the Bible where they've been? Would you turn off the radio and hope He hadn't heard, - And wish you hadn't uttered that last, loud, hasty word? Would you hide your worldly music and put some hymn books out? - Could you let Jesus walk right in, or would you rush about? - And I wonder, if the Savior spent a day or two with you, Would you go right on doing the things you always do? - Would you go right on saying the things you always say? Would life for you continue as it does from day to day? - Would your family conversation keep up its usual pace? - And would you find it hard each meal to say a table grace? Would you sing the songs you always sing, and read the books you read? And let Him know the things on which your mind and spirit feed? Would you take Jesus with you everywhere you'd planned to go? Or would you maybe change your plans for just a day or so? - Would you be glad to have him meet your very closest friends, - Or would you hope they'd stay away until His visit ends? Would you be glad to have Him stay forever on and on, - Or would you sigh with great relief when He at last was gone? - It might be interesting to know the things that you would do If Jesus Christ in person came to spend some time with you.

#### WHO ARE WE?

A group of Gods children, striving to maintain the organization, doctrine and worship as taught in the New Testament.

#### **ASSIGNMENTS**

#### **Morning Service**

Opening Prayer - R. Black Hymn Director - M. Krueger Lords Supper Lesson -

M. Robinson

Announcements - J. Smith Closing Prayer - R. Renz

#### **EVANGELIST**

Jack Smith Steve Garrett

#### **ELDERS**

Brian Haley Mark Mann Matt Miles Mike Pharris Jack Smith

#### **DEACONS**

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

#### **BIBLE CLASSES**

Joshua and Judges (In the Auditorium)Great Lessons from Jesus (In Room 204)

#### **Directory Updates**

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