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AM Worship Svc. 10:00 a.m.
PM Worship Svc. 5:00 p.m.*
Wed. Bible Study 7:00 p.m.
(Attended Nursery at all svcs.)

*No 5:00 p.m. service on the third Sunday of the month

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Beware the Darkness

Darkness leads to stumbling – both in this physical realm as well as in the spiritual realm (Jn. 12:35; 11:10; Pr. 4:19; 1 Jn. 2:11). It is amazing, then, that some would prefer the darkness. Note the words of Jesus:

“And this is the judgment: the light has come into the world, and people loved the darkness rather than the light because their deeds were evil. For everyone who does wicked things hates the light and does not come to the light, lest his deeds should be exposed” (Jn. 3:19-20).

We live in a world full of people who love darkness rather than light. It should not surprise us, then, that there are many people who allow evil to permeate their lives. When people allow evil to control them, bad things happen. Even those who try their best to walk in God's light suffer because of the evil behavior of those who live in the darkness.

God's light still shines. Never allow the prince of darkness to blind you to the light of Jesus.

See you Sunday, in the light...

David

Prologue to the Good Samaritan

David South

The parable of the good Samaritan is widely known. By it, Jesus taught great lessons about who really is one's neighbor and what it means to love one's neighbor. But, there are also some important lessons to be found in the discussion that led up to the telling of the parable. Read again Luke 10:25-29, and consider the following ideas.

One needs the **right intent** (25, 29). A lawyer asked Jesus, "What shall I do to inherit eternal life?" Luke explained that the lawyer's intent with that question was to test Jesus (25). He was not asking because he was truly interested in finding out the truth. He was not asking because he was truly interested in eternal life. He was asking in order to test Jesus. The question was a good one – if asked with the right intent. It is right to be interested in eternal life. It is right to be interested in how one can receive eternal life. After Jesus answered that question, the lawyer asked another question: "Who is my neighbor?" This time his intent was to justify his behavior (29). Again, the question could have been a very good question – if asked with the right intent. One must know who the neighbor is if he or she is going to demonstrate proper love for that neighbor. When YOU approach any study of the Bible, what is your intent? Are you looking for the truth?

One needs the **right information** (26). When the lawyer asked that first question, Jesus answered with a question of his own: "What is written in the Law?" Jesus turned the man to God's inspired message to find the answer to his question. God has provided his word to guide those who are interested (2 Tim. 3:16-17). Instead of leaning on one's own understanding, he or she ought to seek God's guidance (Pr. 3:5-7; 14:12). The words of our Lord provide one with the truth (Jn. 8:31-32). Peter recognized that Jesus is the one with the words of eternal life (Jn. 6:68). When you need answers, do you go to God's word to find them?

One needs the **right involvement** (28). After the lawyer responded with a proper understanding of the basic intent of the Law ("love God and love your neighbor"), Jesus told him, "Do this, and you will live." It is not enough to have the right information unless one puts that information into practice. James urged early Christians to be doers of the word and not only hearers (Jas. 1:22). John told of those who recognized the truth about Jesus' identity, but they refused to admit it and follow him (Jn. 12:42-43). When you hear the instructions given by God in his written word, do you put them into practice?

What is your intent? Where do you get your information? What do you do with it once you have it?

OUR PRAYER LIST

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Song Leader	Dennis Sangster
Welcome & Announcements	Larry Knox
Opening Prayer	John Waddell
Scripture Reading	Steve Grantham
Sermon	David South
Communion Preparation:	Tom & Joy Adams
Serving Communion:	Dan Amar, Ron Barker, Dane Dacus, Chris Essary, Jim Hubbert, Ryan Hubbert, Jacob Maynard, Bill Seward
Pick Up Cards	Caleb Sanders & Creede Criswell
AM Closing Prayer	James Wilson
Nursery	Kathy Bryson & Brenda Renner

PM WORSHIP

Opening Prayer	Pat Patchell
Lesson	David South
Closing Prayer	Ron Barker
Nursery	Kathy Hillis

NEXT SUNDAY IS FELLOWSHIP DAY



Leonard's Barbecue will cater our meal next Sunday. The cost is \$7 for everyone six and over and \$3.50 for those getting a plate under age 6.

The menu will be "All You Can Eat" Barbecue, Cole Slaw, Spaghetti, Baked Beans, Buns/Rolls, Drink and dessert

A brief devotional will follow the meal in the chapel and then our evening service will be canceled.



SECRET SANTA

It's that time of year again! Our Secret Santa service projecting, benefiting AGAPE, will be Sunday, December 2nd immediately after our AM Services. We will return to Woodland Hills to wrap and label our gifts. Each year AGAPE puts together wish lists for needy children in the area and allows them to be "adopted." There is absolutely no cost for the event and all ages are encouraged to attend! We will be taking donations of labels, bows and cash to help offset the costs (We currently have enough boxes and wrapping paper from last year). See Matt Mitchell for info and sign up on the sheet in the lobby!

MARK YOUR CALENDARS

This time of year special events take place that we look forward to but we need to mark them on our calendar so that we can plan our time to avoid conflicts and time crunches. This year the Close's are again hosting or widows luncheon in their home on Sunday, December 9th following our morning worship service and then on December 16th, the congregation is invited to their home for a period of fellowship and singing. This event will start at 6:30 and please bring finger foods.

Wednesday Service Change: The week of Thanksgiving, we will move our mid-week services to Tuesday evening in lieu of Wednesday. There will be no children's classes and a devotional and singing in the chapel beginning at 7:00 pm.

Thoughts to Ponder

***"When life is not a bed of roses,
remember who wore the thorns."***

YOUTH CORNER

Thomas Williams

Hello all! I just wanted to start by saying how much I appreciate the opportunity to write to you all every week. Often the youth ministry world can feel a little insulated, so it's wonderful to fill you guys in to some of what we do each week.

With that being said, it was actually a fairly low key week. This week was mostly taken up by small get-togethers. On Tuesday, I had the chance to have a game of Frisbee and a study with some of the Youth group guys. I had a regular Wednesday lunch with a former youth group member, now in college. For the Wednesday night devotional, attendance was a little low due to the holiday. So for a treat, and for the conversation, we took our devo to the Sonic right next door to Woodland Hills. It was a great week!

We are all excited about joining the Oliver Creek youth group next weekend to their retreat at Crowley's Ridge camp. Looking forward to telling you all about it next article. Please keep us in your prayers as we travel. Thank you and God Bless!

**Please sign the
back of your
attendance
card the
number in
your family
that will be attending the meal.**



**THANK YOU
VETERANS**

***Our thanks to each of you who served our
country. Happy Veterans Day!***

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