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From Where I Sit . . .

A Man's Growth Toward God

One of the great needs of the day is a vision of the possibilities of the soul and how to attain those possibilities. Too many of us are satisfied without growth, blind to what we may become and ignorant of the means of growth. We often fail to visualize the marvelous power God has given us: **“The Power To Become The Sons of God!”**

This power to grow, to develop, to become is one of the great characteristics of man as created by God. It elevates him above a brute creation. A monkey will never be anything but a bigger monkey. A tree becomes a larger tree, but mankind has been given by God the power to become more than he or she is. A young bungling surgeon can become the greatest in his field. A young musician can become an artist. Sinners can become sons of God. A babe in Christ has the power to become a spiritual giant in the service of God. John was guided by the Holy Spirit to tell us in **John 1:11 - 12 (KJV)** ¹¹ **“He came unto his own, and his own received him not. ¹²But as many as received him, to them gave he power to become the sons of God, even to them that believe on his name.”**

A world of discovery awaits those who begin and continue this journey with the Lord!! Growth – becoming more than we were yesterday – is designed and intended by God for His children. We’re not speaking of just growth out of sin into salvation. That’s just the beginning. There’s a whole world of possibilities awaiting us in Christ Jesus. Our growth should be toward spirituality maturity.

Ephesians 4:15 (KJV) ¹⁵ **“But speaking the truth in love, may grow up into him in all things, which is the head, even Christ.”**

Colossians 2:6 - 7 (KJV) ⁶ **“As ye have therefore received Christ Jesus the Lord, so walk ye in him: ⁷Rooted and built up in him, and stablished in the faith, as ye have been taught, abounding therein with thanksgiving.”**

2 Corinthians 3:18 (KJV) ¹⁸ **“But we all, with open face beholding as in a glass the glory of the Lord, are changed into the same image from glory to glory, even as by the Spirit of the Lord.”**

The frustration of not growing, not improving, has its toll secularly and spiritually. This does not have to be the life of the Christian however: **2 Corinthians 4:16 (KJV)** ¹⁶ **“For which cause we faint not; but though our outward man perish, yet the inward man is renewed day by day.”**

It begins when we hear and answer the Gospel Call, “Come unto me...” (**Matthew 11:28-30**). That’s where it always begins. It’s the discovery that life is more than working in a store, keeping house, or making money. (**Eccl. 2:1-13**) It’s to see that life is a divine vocation. **Ephesians 4:1 (KJV)** ¹ **“I therefore, the prisoner of the Lord, beseech you that ye walk worthy of the vocation wherewith ye are called.”** It’s to see that a man’s life consists not in the abundance of the things he possesses: **Luke 12:15 (KJV)** ¹⁵ **“And he said unto them, Take heed, and beware of covetousness: for a man’s life consisteth not in the abundance of the things which he possesseth.”** This may be the reason many have made no progress. They have not learned, nor taken this first step. Many haven’t even gotten into the game yet so they’re not running the race.

. . . . Terry Broome



Please pray for our sick and remember them with cards, calls and visits.—

Pat Washburn fell and broke her right hip and underwent surgery on Monday at HMC. She is sore but doing well. She was transferred to a rehab facility today and will be there for about two weeks.

Tammy McGuire was in the hospital last week because of extremely low blood sugar. She came home on Saturday. She has been dealing with kidney stones and will see a urologist today. She is also scheduled to see a surgeon on Friday. Please pray for Tammy as she is dealing with a lot of health issues at this time.

Shep Knight, baby of Jo Reed Brumley's cousin, is on medication and having much fewer seizures. He is still having some respiratory issues, but is expected to go home today. Please continue to pray for Shep and his family.

Judy Solomon, sister of Martha Pendley, is having some health issues and is in a Montgomery hospital. Our prayers are requested.

LONG-TERM PRAYER LIST

- Stan Hastings**
- Cheryl Ellis**
- David Precise**
- X'shi Ana Benavides**
- Irene Gist**
- Mary Lawrence**
- Polly Franklin**
- Sophonra Burney**
- Ken Lawrence, Sr.**
- Harold Reynolds**
- Judy Roberts**
- Ginger Myers**
- Mary Nell Gonce King**

Sam Wright, Albertville Nursing Home & Rehab, 750 AL Hwy 75 N, Albertville, AL 35951, Rm. 155, phone 256-878-1398.

Faye Henderson 632 Molten St., E, Decatur, AL.

Suzanne Daniel, grandmother of McGowan Holt (Jenny & Buddy Holt's grandson)

Nettie Murrah, mother of Tracy Brumley, 136 Mac Davis Rd., Columbus, MS 39702.

Jackie Evans, employee of Woods Cove Florist, 2661 Snodgrass Rd. 35769.

Judy Tidwell McBride, member at Larkinsville, 322 Co. Rd. 15, Woodville, AL 35776.

Sally Abbott, aunt of Bill Price, 440 2nd St., S Naples, FL 34102-8620.

David Grider, grandson of Sue Grider.

Dorothy McNally, Kathy Broome's mother, 1460 N Main St., Apt. 119, McPherson, KS 67460.

Gary Whitherington, employee at Costco, 7809 Cadillac Dr., Huntsville, 35802.

Kenny Jimenez, son-in-law of Dave & Elane Bagley and brother-in-law of David & Ashley Dover, 124 Helen Ave., Modesto, CA 95354.

Winston Busby, brother of Doris Laney, 198 Weaver Rd., Henagar, AL 35978.

Joe Pat Moody, uncle of Sheryl Porch, 1310 Claytontown Rd., Buchanan, TN 37388.

Tom and Mary Ann Worst, Libby Crona's brother & sister-in-law.

Dale Lemley, sister of Nancy Miles.

Cecil Wilkes, grandmother of Nick Ledbetter.

Bonnie Miller, sister of John D. Porch.

John Stover, a fireman at Scottsboro Fire Department, 249 Co. Rd. 615, Section, AL 35771.

Bill Capley, father of Corrie Shelton (daughter-in-law of Robin & Vicki) 26 Bellefonte Circle, 35769.

Jordan McCormack, US Navy

Trent McCormack, US Navy

Jordan Holt, US Navy

Abigail Holt, US Navy

Nathan Bridges, US Air Force- Reserve

Paige Chrisman, US Air Force

Philip Doan, US Marine Corps-Reserve

Nathaniel Doan, US Marine Corps

Anthony Worst, US Marine Corps

NURSING HOME RESIDENTS & HOMEBOUND

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49 Hughes Rd., Apt. 24, Madison, 35758

<p><i>One Measure Of Our Love</i></p>	<i>Wed. Bible Study</i>
	<i>Sunday Bible Study</i>
	<i>Sun. A.M. Worship</i>
	<i>Sun. Night Worship</i>
	<i>Contribution</i> \$4535.00
	<i>Budget</i> \$7556.00

IMPRESSIONS

“Jesus saw Nathanael coming to him, and saith of him, Behold, an Israelite indeed, in whom is no guile!” (John 1:47)

Wouldn't it be great if all our first impressions were as positive as this? However, the sad truth is that we often form rather negative impressions of others before we ever get to know them. And that is sad, for in so doing we often fail to enjoy a really good relationship with someone who could be a real joy in our lives. Why do we look at one person and decide that he/she is to be liked, and at another only to turn off to any closeness? Much of it has to do with our environment. We have been programmed to receive those of our own social, economic, or occupational background, and to look down on those of lesser (?) importance. Or, we have been programmed to fear those we consider above our station in life. Peter came to an understanding that went against all his prejudices, but only after much coercion. *“Of a truth I perceive that God is no respecter of persons” (Acts 10:34b)*. But, being human he found this difficult to practice at all times. What would his peers think about him associating with Gentiles? *“But when Cephas came to Antioch...he ate with the Gentiles, but when they (Jews) came, he drew back and separated himself, fearing them that were of the circumcision.” (Galatians 2:11)*. The answer to such a dilemma is found in the:

OBSERVATIONS OF AN 8-YEAR OLD

We have the nicest garbage man,
 He empties out our garbage can;
 He is just as nice as he can be;
 He always stops and talks with me.
 My mother doesn't like his smell,
 But, then, she doesn't know him well.

Oh, to be a child in our relationships with all men! (cf. Matthew 18:3,4)

Leroy Sedgwick



Olivia Rosema, aunt of Melissa Ledbetter, passed away on April 15th after an extended illness.

Jerry Dwight Latham, brother of Ray Latham, passed away on April 19th.

Cleo Williamson, former member here & cousin of Polly Franklin, passed away last week.

Our heartfelt condolences go out to all of these families. Please keep them in your prayers.



We had a baptism at our building last Thursday. Jerry Little was baptized by Tim Wright from the Woodville church of Christ.

We rejoice that a new soul was added to the church.

Rejoice in hope, be patient in tribulation, be constant in prayer.

ROMANS 12:12

Looking for Tomorrow

Thomas Jefferson said, “I like the dreams of the future better than the history of the past.” I feel like Jefferson. Whenever the past is more important than the future, at least two problems result — either resting on laurels or dwelling on failures. But when one dreams of the future, past successes just pave the road for accepting greater challenges and past failures just indicate which direction not to go. Both provide direction. To elaborate, here is a story about Thomas Edison. During Edison's search to invent the light bulb, a newspaper reporter commented to him that he had failed thousands of times to invent a light bulb. In reply he said, “To the contrary, I have succeeded in finding thousands of ways that will not work. Things are progressing quite well!”

We would do well to learn from Jefferson and Edison the virtue of looking to the future with confidence and direction. Don't miss Paul's words: “Forgetting what is behind and straining toward what is ahead, I press on toward the goal to win the prize ...” (Phil. 3:13, 14).

Dave Stevens



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SCHEDULE OF SERVICES

WORSHIP. Sunday 9:55 A.M. and 6:00 P.M.
BIBLE STUDY. Sunday 9:00 A.M.
and Wednesday 6:30 P.M.
LADIES BIBLE CLASS. Tuesday 10:00 A.M.



Let your steadfast love,
O LORD, be upon us, even as we
hope in you.



Psalms 33:22, NRSV

Isn't it strange that princes and kings
And clowns that caper in sawdust rings
And common people like you and me
Are builders for eternity.
Each is given a book of rules
A shapeless mass, a box of tools
And each must shape ere life is gone
A stumbling block or a stepping stone.