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From Where I Sit . . .

## "Are You A Disciple Of Jesus?"

"Go therefore and make disciples of all the nations, baptizing them in the name of the Father and of the Son and of the Holy Spirit, teaching them to observe all things that I have commanded you; and lo, I am with you always, even to the end of the age" (Mt 28:18-20).

he above statement was made by Jesus to His apostles shortly before He ascended to heaven. It's commonly called 'The Great Commission." Notice the main thought of Jesus' command: "Go therefore and make disciples of all the nations..." To "make disciples," therefore, is the GOAL of evangelizing the world for Christ.

Are you a disciple of Jesus? More than likely you believe in Jesus. You might even be one who attends church services regularly -- But is that what it means to be His disciple? Take a closer look at what is involved in being a true disciple of Jesus Christ. The word "disciple" literally means A LEARNER. According to Vine's Expository Dictionary Of New Testament Words, it denotes "one who follows another's teaching." But a disciple was not only a learner, he was also AN ADHERENT to the teachings of Christ. For this reason disciples are often spoken of as IMITATORS of their teachers. Jesus gives us this picture in Luke 6:40. To be Christ's disciple, then, is to strive to be like Him!

According to the apostle Paul, this coincides with God's goal in the redemption of mankind, that they be conformed to the image of His Son - **Romans 8:29.** Do you have a strong desire to follow Jesus and become like Him? Unless you do, it cannot be said that you are truly His disciple!

A disciple is also one who *ABIDES IN JESUS' WORDS* - John 8:31. This would imply being a diligent student of the teachings of Christ. It also requires one to be a "doer" of the Word - Matt. 7:21-27; James 1:21-25. In view of this, a true disciple would not fail to study the Bible diligently, nor would be willingly refrain from opportunities to study with others (e.g., Bible classes, church services, special gatherings).

A Disciple is also one who **LOVES THE BRETHREN** — **John 13:34-35** — with a love patterned after the love of Jesus ("as I have loved you"). This is a love that is visible to the world ("by this all will know"). Therefore, a true disciple would make every effort to get to know his brethren and take advantage of occasions to encourage and grow closer to them.

A disciple is, furthermore, **ONE WHO BEARS MUCH FRUIT** - **John 15:8.** Notice the word "much." Jesus is not talking about an occasional good deed, but a lifestyle which prompts people to glorify God! - **Matt. 5:16.** This is so important as evidenced by the fact that failure to bear much fruit will result in being severed from Christ - **John 15:1-2.** 

The point should be clear: to be a disciple of Jesus Christ means more than being just a casual church member. It requires *COMMITMENT*, especially in regards to: The teachings of Christ, the love of brethren, and bearing fruit to the glory of God. This kind of commitment involves a "high cost" of discipleship as demanded by Jesus in Luke 14:25-33. This kind of "high cost" of discipleship demanded by Jesus caused many people to turn away from following Him. But Jesus wasn't trying to attract large crowds, He wanted disciples! Is the cost worth it? I believe so when we consider the rewards of such discipleship.

... Terry Broome



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

**Ernestine Pace** had knee replacement surgery on Tuesday and is doing very well. Please pray for a speedy recovery.

**Bill Price** had out-patient hernia surgery today at the Surgery Center in Huntsville.

Please pray for a successful surgery and recovery.

**LaRue Anderson** is recovering well from her back surgery. She will wear a back brace for 3 weeks and then begin therapy. Please keep her in your prayers.

**Joan Jackson** has some slight improvement with her back. She is still taking therapy. Please pray for her.

**Tammy McGuire** is feeling slightly better. Her radiation treatments have been put on hold while she is treated for an infection. Please pray for Tammy.

**Stan Hastings** received good news from the recent scan. All tumors had decreased in size and some were now considered insignificant or totally gone. He will continue treatment for three more weeks and then be reevaluated. He will have a MRI at the end of August. Please continue to pray for Stan & Joyce.

**James Rice** had out-patient shoulder surgery July 28<sup>th</sup>. He is taking therapy now and doing ok.

**Jennifer Chandler**, sister of Janet Necklaus, is having a lot of problems with her breathing and neurol-muscular disorders. Our prayers are requested.

**Tera Pressnell**, daughter of Terry & Kathy Broome, had a mini-stroke on Saturday, but there was no damage. The doctors are treating her with medication and she is home from the hospital now. Prayers are appreciated.

#### LONG-TERM PRAYER LIST

**Cheryl Ellis** Melba Sloan **Becky Russell** Sam Wright Vara Stiles **Margaret Crawford Bob Rice** Izella Proctor **Hayley Hastings Ginger Myers** X'shi Ana Benavides Irene Gist Mary Lawrence **Polly Franklin** Sophronia Burney Ken Lawrence, Sr. **Harold Reynolds Judy Roberts** 

**Holly Cobb** 

**David Precise** 

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

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

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

Terry Sanders, brother of Rosa Myers.

Judy Solomon, sister of Martha Pendley.

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

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

Shep Knight, child of Jo Reed Brumley's cousin.

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

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

Nathaniel Doan, US Marine Corps

Anthony Worst, US Marine Corps

#### NURSING HOME RESIDENTS & HOMEBOUND

Cloverdale	Rosewood	Southern
Manor	Manor	Estates
412 Cloverdale Rd.	1513 Co. Park Rd.	212 E. Stewart Rd.
Scottsboro, 35768	Scottsboro, 35769	Scottsboro, 35769
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121 Brookridge Dr., Apt. 133, Madison, 3

Nell Anderson
Al Evett

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# Calendar of Upcoming Events—

August 5 — Summer Series speaker: Barry Grider
 August 12 — Summer Series speaker: Dale Jenkins
 August 16 — Baby Shower for Jessica Helton Dawson, 4-6 p.m.

August 19 — Summer Series speaker: Jimmy Holland

All those helping with the shower for Jessica Dawson should meet immediately after service on Sunday morning.



Drive-Thru Baby Shower! It's A Boy!

Please join us on Sunday, August 16<sup>th</sup> for a Drive-Thru Baby Shower honoring Jessica Helton Dawson from 4:00-6:00 in the evening. Come through the covered awning to say your well wishes, drop off your gift, and pick up some yummy treats to go! Depending on the current outbreak situation, we hope to set up some tables (socially distanced of course) in the Handicap Parking Lot if you would like to safely visit with each other. Jessica is expecting a baby boy, James Campbell Dawson. She is registered at WalMart, Target, and Amazon. If you have any questions, please contact Melissa Precise Hamilton at mprecisehamilton@gmail.com or text 256-599-7703.

## **Nearsighted People**

An eye doctor once said that there are more nearsighted people in New York City than any other city. He thought the reason was because people were hemmed in by skyscrapers, and their vision was restricted in such a way that the only opportunity they had for long-range vision was to look straight up, which very few people ever did. The constant use of the eyes for only short distances leads to nearsightedness.

Our thought for today is to not let the immediate, short-term obstacles block your long-term vision! Look up to God and keep the bigger picture in view!

"My voice You shall hear in the morning, O LORD; In the morning I will direct it to You, And I will look up" (Psalm 5:3). Matt Clifton

McCrory Church of Christ McCrory, AR

# Chad's Chatter

## It's Not About Me

"I think, therefore I am" is a famous quote explaining so much in such simple terms, but another thought that many people might want to say is "I think, therefore I should understand everything."

We do not have the ability to know everything, GOD does! We do not have the ability to be everywhere, GOD does! We can not control everything, GOD can!

It's not about me knowing everything and understanding everything, it's about me knowing GOD and understanding how to live for HIM.

### He is GOD, we are not.

Ecclesiastes 11:5 As you do not know the way the spirit comes to the bones in the womb of a woman with child, so you do not know the work of GOD who makes everything.

Psalm 100:3 Know that the LORD, He is GOD! It is He who made us, and we are His; we are His people, and the sheep of His pasture.

Bill Price's brother, John R. (Jack) Price passed away in Florida Saturday, August 1. Please keep the family in your prayers.



To my church family,

I appreciate so very much your Christian love and your prayers that have been offered to God in my behalf for a successful surgery and healing. I believe that God has

blessed me because of those prayers. Also, I have received many cards, calls and visits with good food and this has encouraged my heart. I want to thank each of you who have been able to participate in this. I amalready so much better. I pray that God will bless each of His children with safety and good health during these very difficult days.

In Christian love, LaRue Anderson

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Dave Bagley Josh Baird Rick Baird
Jo Reed Brumley David Dover Joel Gardner
Nick Ledbetter Joe Manning Roger Myers
Nelson Page John A. Porch Dave Precise
Mark Price Scott Roberts

William Underwood Russell Wilhelm

**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.

Those to Serve...

SUNDAY, August 9, 2020

Song Leader: Mark Price Prayer: Phillip Chaney Serve at the Lord's Table: Presiding: Vince Laney Speaker: Terry Broome

Closing Prayer: Russell Wilhelm

WEDNESDAY BIBLE STUDY:

Scripture: Kyle Price Song Leader: Mark Price Prayer: Ernie Brockway

CONTACT ELDER: Brad Wilhelm OPEN & CLOSE BUILDING FOR THE MONTH:

By Committee

If you are unable to serve, please call: Dave Precise 256-599-6668 -or- Dave Bagley 256-609-6468

The Learning Center Pre-School (Infants - 4 yrs.)
Debra Wilhelm, Director ♦ 259-0005



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The Word of God (the Bible) never changes. If you go to worship to hear something other

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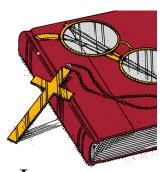
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You have gone for the wrong reason
If you hear something other,

You are at the wrong place.

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Let us keep our eyes on Jesus, the author and perfecter of our faith.

Hebrews 12:2

When we keep our eyes on heavenly things, we see the world more clearly.