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From Where I Sit . . .

"OUR CITIZENSHIP IS IN HEAVEN"

(Phil. 3:20 ASV)

The spiritual nature of the Kingdom of God and of His Christ was never fully comprehended by the Jews. In fact, I seriously doubt if most Christians truly comprehend the depth, richness, vastness and greatness of this everlasting Kingdom. God has always been the Sovereign over His creation and thus Israel needed no "earthly" king. Their desire to be like the other nations prevailed upon Jehovah to give them what they asked for. He told Samuel in I Samuel 8:7 "... Hearken unto the voice of the people in all that they say unto thee: for they have not rejected thee, but they have rejected me, that I should not reign over them." Israel first of all failed to understand that relationship, to their downfall.

Israel <u>secondly</u> failed to understand this new and spiritual relationship and awaited some futuristic **EARTHLY** kingdom. Jesus ushered in a unique dimension of God's eternal kingdom which was foretold by the prophet **Daniel**. Thus, they rejected Jesus and the spiritual kingdom that He brought to mankind. Daniel wrote: (7:13-14)"I saw in the night visions, and, behold, one like the Son of man came with the clouds of heaven, and came to the Ancient of days, and they brought him near before him. And there was given him dominion, and glory, and a kingdom, that all people, nations, and languages, should serve him: his dominion is an everlasting dominion, which shall not pass away, and his kingdom that which shall not be destroyed." The coronation of Jesus as King over His Kingdom was to take place when He ascended back to the Ancient of days (Jehovah).

When the Pharisees demanded of Him when the kingdom would come, He replied in Luke 17:20 - 21, "... The kingdom of God cometh not with observation: Neither shall they say, Lo here! or, lo there! for, behold, the kingdom of God is within you." The Jews didn't understand that. The Kingdom of God was to be within the hearts of men, and not in some specified geographical area. Israel wanted more, just like they had when they insisted on a king and God gave them Saul.

Jesus taught that His Kingdom would not come with outward show as would earthly kingdoms. It could not be seen with the naked eye. It's a spiritual Kingdom, and it exists in the hearts of men. As people are converted to Christ and He comes to dwell in them by faith, the borders of the Kingdom spread. The people are visible and so there is a visible expression of Kingdom subjects, but its domain is not limited to geographical terms. It can spread out and fill the earth. Indeed it should be so spread.

As Kingdom subjects, we must see ourselves with a whole new priority. We are ambassadors who, in the words of a great hymn, are "here on business for my King. Oh, be ye reconciled, thus saith my Lord and King. Oh be ye reconciled to God." I'm not convinced that the vast majority of Christians truly understand this relationship and the all-encompassing effect it should have on our lives. Fulfilling our roles as subjects to the King of Kings and Lord of Lords is the number one "main" thing that we should strive for. Those who minimize their association with God's church, His family, the eternal Kingdom relationship in Christ, are seriously taking for granted just as Israel of the long ago did, what God has given us. Oh, that we had the words to cause all the redeemed to be faithful.

.... Terry Broome



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

Bill Price was scheduled for outpatient shoulder surgery today in Huntsville. Please pray for a successful surgery and complete healing.

Rosa Myers underwent tests on Tuesday of this week to determine if she is healthy and strong enough for heart surgery. She will follow-up with the heart surgeon today (Wednesday). Please keep her in your prayers.

Stan Hastings continues to undergo his chemo treatments. Please pray for Stan and also for the treatments to be successful.

LONG-TERM PRAYER LIST

Wendy Baird

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

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

Tom & 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
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- (30) Josh Baird, Paula Foster, Martha Pendley



Remodeling Your Spiritual House

There are tons of television shows centered around the idea of remodeling your home, and most of them operate on the same principle: helping a homeowner improve their living environment. Without proper care, houses deteriorate, or residents simply tire of the old furniture, paint and decorations around them. They need to remodel!

Sometimes we need the same thing spiritually! James 1:21-25 gives us a blueprint to do an "extreme makeover" on our spiritual houses, and it all centers around the powerful word of God (James 1:18; 1 Pet. 1:22-25; John 17:15-17; Acts 20:28-32).

MAKE ROOM for the Word! The first thing that happens in a remodeling job is tearing out the old walls, furniture, etc. You can't bring in the new unless you get rid of some old! Likewise, in order to remodel our spiritual houses, we have to lay aside "filthiness and overflow of wickedness" (James 1:21). That means we have to throw away the sin that is in our lives and put on the "new man" (Col. 3:1-10). Sin is heavy (Heb. 12:1) and it clutters our environment. Get rid of it!

RECEIVE the Word! The next thing to do is bring in the new, useful material. For our spiritual houses, that useful material is the word of God. James says to receive it with "meekness" (James 1:21). We should have the same mind as David in Psalm 119:11 and the Christians in 1 Thess. 2:13. God's word must be "implanted" or "engrafted" into our hearts, which is God's plan (Heb. 8:6-13).

DO the Word! If you are remodeling a home, it doesn't do any good to have a bunch of lumber and uninstalled fixtures laying around. You have to actually put the stuff to work! The same goes with God's word (James 1:22). We can't be hearers only. Jesus teaches this same lesson (Luke 6:46; John 14:15).

CONTINUE in the Word! You have to take care of the new remodel! Remember Paul's words in 1 Cor. 10:1-13.

If you follow God's blueprint, you can have a successful spiritual home makeover! But make sure your house has a strong foundation first (Matt. 7:24-27; John 8:24; Matt. 10:32-33; Luke 13:3,5; John 3:3,5; Mark 16:16).

Matt Clifton BulletinDigest.com



Clay & Angie Cash Kennamer 39 Grandwood Lane Scottsboro, AL 35769 Daylight Saving Time Ends on November 1st. Remember to move your clocks back one hour before you go to bed on Saturday night.



Pandemics & Faith Healers

July 5, 2020 by Steve Higginbotham

While a student at Freed-Hardeman College in 1983, I took my "wife-to-be" on a date to an Oral Roberts "healing service" in Jackson, TN (she still razzes me about our exciting dates). At the conclusion of this "healing service," Oral Roberts told everyone present that God had completely healed every single person in the assembly, "from the top of our heads to the bottom of our feet." As the meeting came to an end, and people were exiting, I told my wife-to-be to take note of how many people were still wearing their glasses. Seems that no one in the assembly was healed of that malady.

Fast forward 20 years. The year was 2003 when Richard Roberts, son of Oral Roberts, was scheduled to hold a "healing-meeting" for more than 2000 followers at the Elmer S. McVety Centre in Toronto, Canada. However, Roberts canceled the event due to a travel advisory for Toronto because of the number of SARS cases reported there. Does it not seem to you that if Roberts had the power he claims to have, rather than canceling the event, that's exactly where he needed to be?

Fast forward another 20 years and we are in the midst of the COVID pandemic. However, Kenneth Copeland, another alleged "faith-healer," stated that as a prophet of God, he commanded COVID to leave the USA and that it would harm no one else. That statement was made three months ago and more than 100,000 people have died since this "prophet" banished it from the United States.

Are you seeing a pattern? Friends, if a silver lining can be found in this terrible pandemic, it might be to trust more in God, and less in men who claim to be his representatives and to spend more time in God's word, and less time listening to the words of men (1 Timothy 4:1-2).

AREA EVENTS

 Gospel Meeting, Central church of Christ in Rainsville, Nov. 1-4, speaker: Larry Acuff

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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.

Those to Serve...

SUNDAY, November 1, 2020 **Announcements: Nick Ledbetter** Song Leader: Chad Brown

Prayer: Brad Laney Serve at the Lord's Table: Presiding: Pat Russell **Speaker: Terry Broome Closing Prayer: Vince Laney WEDNESDAY BIBLE STUDY:**

Scripture: Tim Allen

Song Leader: Aaron Manning

Prayer: Jim Brown

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

If you hear something other, You



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Come Unto Me MATTHEW 11:28

C stands for Children

stands for Old people

stands for Middle-aged people

stands for Everybody