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*From Where I Sit . . .*

### “The Importance of Character”

Webster tells us that character is “Moral Excellence” and “firmness”. I tried to find the word in the Bible, and could not in the KJV; However, the word from which we get “character” is there, and thus other translations including NASV, RSV, and NIV use that very word.

The text of which I speak is **Romans 5:3-5 (KJV)** “**And not only so, but we glory in tribulations also: knowing that tribulation worketh patience; And patience, *experience*; and *experience*, hope: And hope maketh not ashamed; because the love of God is shed abroad in our hearts by the Holy Ghost which is given unto us.**”

The NASB reads this way: “**And not only this, but we also exult in our tribulations, knowing that tribulation brings about perseverance; and perseverance, *proven character*; and *proven character*, hope; and hope does not disappoint, because the love of God has been poured out within our hearts through the Holy Spirit who was given to us.**”

The word is *Dokime*, and is defined as “proof by testing.” It speaks in the Greek of the process of proving, or the result of proving. It is in summary “Tried Integrity.” Synonyms for “character” that help us understand its meaning are: Honesty, Honor, Integrity, Decency, Principle, Moral Excellence.

Someone has well said: “Character is what you are in the dark.” It is the measure of the real person, from his inner nature, and not the outer image that he chooses to let us see. A man of character is a man who has to do what is right just because it is his inner nature to do so, and he must be true to who he is.

In the book entitled *Days of Grace: A Memoir* by Arthur Ashe and Arnold Rampersad, we read of the moving account of the tennis great who died of AIDS resulting from a blood transfusion. If anything stands out in this book, it is that Arthur Ashe was truly a person of character. He relates, “One day in Dallas, in 1973, I was playing in the singles final of a World Championship Tennis tournament. My opponent was Stan Smith, a brilliant tennis player but an even more impressive human being in his integrity. On one crucial point, I watched Smith storm forward, racing to intercept a ball about to bounce a second time off his side of the net. When the point was over, I was sure the ball had bounced twice before he hit it, and that the point was mine. Smith said he had reached the ball in time. The umpire was baffled.

“I conceded the point. Later, after the match---which I lost--a reporter approached me. How could I have taken Smith’s word on such an important point? ‘I wouldn’t take just anybody’s word for it,’ I assured him. ‘But if Stan Smith says he got to the ball, he got to it. I trust his character.’ I have tried to live so that people would trust my character, as I had trusted Stan Smith’s. I want to be seen as fair and honest, kind, and polite. I want no stain on my character, no blemish on my reputation.”

We are so badly in need of character in the Community and the Nation. “**Righteousness exalteth a nation: but sin is a reproach to any people**” (Proverbs 14:34). The only hope for having leaders of character is to raise up a generation that value doing what is right.

. . . . Terry Broome



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

**Donna Pace** had a mild stroke and is in HMC undergoing tests. Please remember her in your prayers.

**Ginger Myers'** MRI showed no infection in the bone.

**Bob Rice** is in a waiting period to see if he will undergo any more tests. Please remember him in your prayers.

**Billy Holcomb**, brother of Euyless Holcomb, had three blockages and underwent open heart surgery on Tuesday at Huntsville Hospital.

**Andy Gardner**, brother of Joel, will undergo surgery to remove the tumor that has grown back.

Reynolds & former members here, 221 Hillsboro Circle, Florence, AL 35630.

**Rhonda Harrison**, sister of Brenda Devers, 74 Sarah Betty Lane, Apt. B1, Scottsboro, 35769.

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

**Jordan McCormack**, US Navy

**Trent McCormack**, US Navy

**Jordan Holt**, US Navy-Reserve

**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

**LONG-TERM PRAYER LIST**

**Tammy McGuire**

**LaRue Anderson**

**Jaxie Hargrave**

**Wendy Baird**

**Sam Wright**

**Harold Reynolds**

**Judy Roberts**

**Nellie Spring**

**Carol Bell**

**Debra Kime** Signature Healthcare, 201 East 10 Street, South Pittsburg, TN 37380.

**Mary Hodge**, 88 Sumner Dr., 35769.

**Judy Solomon**, sister of Martha Pendley.

**Hudson Coldwell**, Martha Pendley's grandson.

**Kenny Jimenez**, son-in-law of Dave & Elane Bagley.

**Bob Milk**, brother-in-law of Robin Shelton.

**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.

**Ray Allen**, a former member here.

**Jimmy Kimble**, brother of Joan Jackson, 303 Hollow St., Hohenwald, TN 38462.

**Benn Farr**, cousin of several of our members.

**Delmer Johnson**, father of Rebecca Gardner.

**Vickie Farr**, sister of Charlotte Vinson, 4319 Hanging Moss Dr. Orange Park, FL 32073.

**Joan Woodmancy**, grandmother of Pam Brown.

**David & Debbie Brothers**, aunt & uncle of Pam Brown

**Waylon & Sharon Wright**, friends of Linda & Harold

**NURSING HOME RESIDENTS & HOMEBOUND**

<b>Cloverdale Manor</b>	<b>Rosewood Manor</b>	<b>Southern Estates</b>
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<i>One Measure Of Our Love</i>	Wed. Bible Study..... 104 Sunday Bible Study..... 111 Sun. A.M. Worship..... 195 Sun. Night Worship..... 116 Contribution..... \$5030.00 Budget..... \$7556.00
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**YOUTH EVENTS**

Nov. 18 — TNT

Nov. 20 — "Sack Full of Thanks", 9:00 - 12:00, Pizza Hut lunch

Nov. 28 — Young Men's Training

**"Sack Full of Thanks"**

The Youth Group will be meeting at 9:00 a.m. to sort and arrange the different gifts for the recipients of the sacks. We will then deliver each one and sing a song or two to encourage them. Then, we will have a Pizza Hut lunch afterwards.



There are sign-up sheets for any and all who would be willing to teach or help with 1<sup>st</sup> - 6<sup>th</sup> grade classes. One sheet will be for Wednesdays and one sheet will be for Sundays. Wednesday's curriculum will be the Pearls book for Lads to Leaders. The classes will begin on December 1<sup>st</sup>.

<b>PUPPET PROGRAM - November 21, 2021</b>
Narrator - Chad Brown
Teachers - Cynthia, Misty, Roger
Puppets - John Hollis, Joseph, Nina, Wendy

# Chad's Chatter

## SO BUSY NOTHING GETS DONE

Have you ever been so busy that you can't get anything done? Let me explain what I mean. Let's say you have a list of 10 things that you want to get done in a day. However, after you decide what thing you're going to start with, you get an important call that throws you off track. After talking to them for a while, you get back to your list. While you are working on one of the items, you realize you don't have all the supplies to get that task done. So, you run to the store to get the supplies. You see someone else at the store that you've been meaning to catch up with for weeks. You spend the next hour talking to that person and then get back to your task. However, you leave the store forgetting to get the one thing you needed from the store in the first place. After getting quite mad, and internally blaming the person you just talked with, you decide once you get back home to forget that item and go on to the next thing on your list. As you get prepared to do that next list item, you realize you have a conference meeting in 5 minutes. You have your meeting and then it's time to pick up your children from school. You haven't eaten, you haven't stopped, and it's now 4pm. You go back to your tasks and try to reorganize, finally giving up and get ready for dinner. The sad thing is, this was your day off with grand plans to do so much and you feel like you did nothing.

How many days do you wonder if you've done anything productive at all? How many days do you wonder if your life is just a bunch of meaningless tasks with no real point or baseline goal? I think a lot of people spend their days similar to this one and wonder what is wrong.

Of course, we could be more organized, but the bigger problem is, even if we're getting tasks done, those tasks are not really the point of life anyway. The bigger picture is to focus on GOD through every busy day and be His people no matter what we're getting done on our list of things to do. He is who we're meant to be busy living for. If we can call ourselves faithful Christians first, in every task and every day, we have accomplished our ultimate goal of living a life much more important than just "things to do." Then, no matter how many "things" we can mark off the list, our life is meaningful because we spent the day living for CHRIST! Think about it and see if you agree.

**I Cor. 10:31; Col. 3:17; Col. 3:23; Prov. 3:5-6**

## *When I Am Tempted*

When I am tempted I dare not stray  
For many people look my way;  
Loved ones to sicken and distrust  
If I betray my sacred trust;  
Weak ones to stumble and to fall  
If I should heed temptation's call;  
Young ones to follow in my wrong  
If my heart's not kept pure and strong;  
Older ones to mourn and grieve  
If I the way of truth should leave;  
The holy church to suffer, too,  
If my soul is not right and true,  
My charge is plain, my duty clear,  
My soul to keep, my Lord to fear,  
My light to shine, my savor keep,  
Truth to teach, souls to reap,  
A hope to gain, a crown to wear,  
A race to run, Heaven to share.  
When I am tempted, I dare not stray,  
Too many people look my way.

Owen Cosgrove  
via Nettleton church of Christ  
Jonesboro, AR



**The church office will be closed on November 25 & 26 for the Thanksgiving holiday.**

**THE LATEST ISSUE OF THE GOSPEL ADVOCATE IS AVAILABLE IN EACH FOYER IF YOU WOULD LIKE TO PICK ONE UP.**

Christmas Charities gifts should be wrapped with card securely attached to the outside of the package and returned to the building by December 15<sup>th</sup>. Delivery of the gifts will be on Saturday, December 18<sup>th</sup>. If you want to help deliver, please meet at the building by 9 a.m.



**ELDERS**

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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 21, 2021

Announcements: Trey Russell

Song Leader: Chad Brown

Prayer: Ted Crona

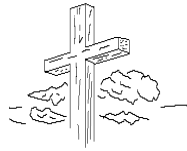
Serve at the Lord's Table:

Presiding: C.B. Laney

Speaker: Terry Broome

Closing Prayer: John A. Porch

Ushers: Roger & John Hollis Myers



**P.M. SERVICE:**

Song Leader: Mark Price

Scripture: Nelson Page

Prayer: Robin Shelton

Speaker: Terry Broome

Lord's Supper: Nelson Page & Vince Laney

Closing Prayer: Ernie Brockway

**WEDNESDAY BIBLE STUDY:**

Scripture: Major Ledbetter

Song Leader: Kenneth Beard

Prayer: Brad Wilhelm

**CONTACT ELDER: Pat Russell**

**OPEN & CLOSE BUILDING FOR THE MONTH:**

**Nick Ledbetter**

**If you are unable to serve, please call:**

**Dave Precise 256-599-6668**

**The Learning Center Pre-School (Infants - 4 yrs.)**

**Debra Wilhelm, Director ♦ 259-0005**

**Requires  
First Class  
Stamp Here**

*The Word of God (the Bible) never changes.  
If you go to worship to hear something other  
than His Word,  
You have gone for the wrong reason.  
If you hear something other,  
You are at the wrong place.*

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**WASTED?**

I wasted an hour one morning beside a mountain stream,  
I seized a cloud from the sky above and fashioned myself a dream  
In the hush of the early twilight, far from the haunts of men,  
I wasted a summer evening and fashioned my dream again.  
Wasted? Perhaps. Folks say so who never have walked with God,  
When lanes are purple with lilacs, yellow with goldenrod.  
But I have found strength for my labors in that one short evening hour.  
I have found joy and contentment; I have found peace and power.  
My dreaming has left me a treasure, a hope that is strong and true.  
From wasted hours I have built my life and found my faith anew.



Author Unknown  
via El Paso, TX