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From Where I Sit . . .

"Never Man Spake Like This Man"

F amed orators of all generations have stood out for their special abilities to stir their audiences – men like Winston Churchill, and even Adolph Hitler. Through oratory Sir Winston Churchill gave ceaseless encouragement to the masses of his despondent

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countrymen. Adolf Hitler, with his hypnotic oratory, built the National Socialist party to the largest in Germany by 1932. If one were to search for the master spokesman, however, a lone figure from the first century would have to be placed far ahead of them all – these men whose movements lasted for so short a time.

Early in the Gospel according to Mark we learn of Jesus, the man who astonished the people with His doctrine, "...for he taught them as one that had authority, and not as the scribes" (Mark 1:22). "...For with authority commandeth he even the unclean spirits, and they do obey him" (Mark 1:27). "And immediately his fame spread abroad throughout all the region round about Galilee" (Mark 1:28).

Here was a man who spoke powerful, convicting words, but with a note of authority not heard before. His words were accompanied with powerful evidence: "...what manner of man is this, that even the wind and the sea obey him?" the disciples pondered (Mark 4:41).

Jesus as spokesman attracted the masses all around Galilee. **Matthew 4:23** tells of His teaching in their synagogues, and preaching the gospel of the kingdom. "And his fame went throughout all Syria." This occasioned what we fondly call the "Sermon on the Mount." Here the master orator sat, as a teacher of His time would, with the learners at His feet. He taught them, not with a hypnotic voice or with catchy peace slogans and campaign slogans, but with a kind compassionate voice. "When he was come down from the mountains, great multitudes followed him" (Matt. 8:1).

This man spoke to the masses and they followed Him, and He offered them life. It was His mission to shepherd a shepherdless flock, and His speeches reflected this. "And the people saw them departing, and many knew him, and ran afoot thither out of all cities, and outwent them, and came together unto him. And Jesus, when he came out, saw much people, and was moved with compassion toward them, because they were as sheep not having a shepherd: and he began to teach them many things" (Mark 6:33-34).

On the occasion of **Mark 8:1,2** when he fed those who had followed him for three days, we learn that Jesus not only was a man of powerful words, but that He had a genuine love for His followers. Here was one who would ultimately lay down His life for them. This distinguishes Him from other great orators who have motivated large numbers of people to die for them and for "their" cause. Instead, Jesus died for the masses!

The prophecy of **Isaiah 2:1-3** saw fulfillment as people turned to the Messiah to be taught. We can enjoy the blessings of its fulfillment even today. Isaiah pictured the Kingdom established and all nations flowing unto it to be taught by the Lord.

We are so privileged to have the recorded words of the Master to lead us to life today. "*The words that I speak unto you, they are spirit, and they are life*" (John 6:63). May we grow closer to our Heavenly Father as we study Jesus' teachings, for truly, "...never man spake like this man" (John 7:46).

... Terry Broome



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

Vince Laney is recovering from shoulder surgery that he had last week. He has started therapy and is doing well. Please pray for a swift recovery.

Buddy Holt experienced a fall last week while in Atlanta visiting family and has a fracture in the fibula. Buddy would appreciate your prayers for a speedy recovery.

Ron Gardner, father of Joel, is undergoing some tests and the family is requesting prayers from our congregation.

Malachi Hill, 6 month old grandson of Pam Hill (Gerald Helton's fiancé) continues to do well following the major surgery to create a soft spot that allows for normal growth. Please continue praying for him as he recovers.

Larry Buchanan, brother-in-law to a former member at Broad Street, Katie Precise Law, is in the hospital in Virginia. The family has requested our prayers.

LONG-TERM PRAYER LIST

Lee Ann Manning **Ray Latham Ginger Myers Donna Pace Kirsten Roberts** Jaxie Hargrave **Bob Rice Carol Bell Elsie Goodman** Tammy McGuire LaRue Anderson Jaxie Hargrave Wendy Baird Sam Wright Harold Reynolds **Judy Roberts Nellie Spring** Joan Woodmancy, grandmother of Pam Brown Mary Hodge, 88 Sumner Dr., 35769. Judy Solomon, sister of Martha Pendley. Hudson Coldwell, Martha Pendley's grandson. Bob Milk, brother-in-law of Robin Shelton. Benn Farr, cousin of several of our members. Vickie Farr, sister of Charlotte Vinson, 4319 Hanging Moss Dr. Orange Park, FL 32073.

Waylon & Sharon Wright, friends of Linda & Harold Reynolds & former members here, 221 Hillsboro Circle, Florence, AL 35630.

Hillary Broome, Terry's youngest brother.

Jeanine McCrary, mother of Johnny, Highlands Health & Rehab. Rhonda Harrison, sister of Brenda Devers, 74 Sarah Betty Lane, Apt. Bl, Scottsboro, 35769. Shep Knight, child of Jo Reed Brumley's cousin. Jordan McCormack, US Navy Trent McCormack, US Navy

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Abigail Holt, US Navy

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Calendar of Upcoming Events-

Feb. 25-27 — CYC trip for our young folks and parents. Please be praying for a safe and spiritually uplifting trip for those attending Challenge Youth Conference. There are about 28 attending. They will be returning Sunday afternoon.

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YOUTH EVENTS

Feb. 25-27	_	CYC
March 3, 17	_	TNT with Fort Payne
March 25-27	_	Area Wide Spring Retreat at Camp
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Our condolences to Libby Crona, and Katie Graham in the death of Libby's nephew and Katie's cousin, David Worst, in Parkersburg West Virginia. Libby, Ted, and Katie have made the hurch trip there for the funeral service. Our prayers for their safe travel.



There will be a memorial service in memory of Sister Ila Little on March 5th at the Broad Street Church Auditorium. Our sincere

condolences go to Mark, Collin, Amanda, Brandi, Ella, and all their loved ones.

Addresses for each of these will be posted on our bulletin board.



We "Young At Heart" express our heartfelt "Thank You" to our young people and their parents for the marvelous evening you made possible for

us on February 19th. The meal and entertainment plus the wonderful way the youth served our meals and kept our glasses filled were very enjoyable.

"Thank all of you for all the cards, gifts, love and Mark & Ella Little prayers you sent our way."



The Learning Center is in need of workers. If you are interested, please call Debra Wilhelm at 256-259-0005.

No PUPPET PROGRAM for February 27, 2022

No Young Men's Training Session at the P.M. service due to CYC. We will have a regular service.



Even When Everyone Is Looking

So much of Christianity is about sticking with it through thick and thin. Anybody can do something when it's cool, easy, or rewarding. But, when it's not popular to be a Christian and your Christianity is conflicting with your life habits or your friends, whose side are you on?

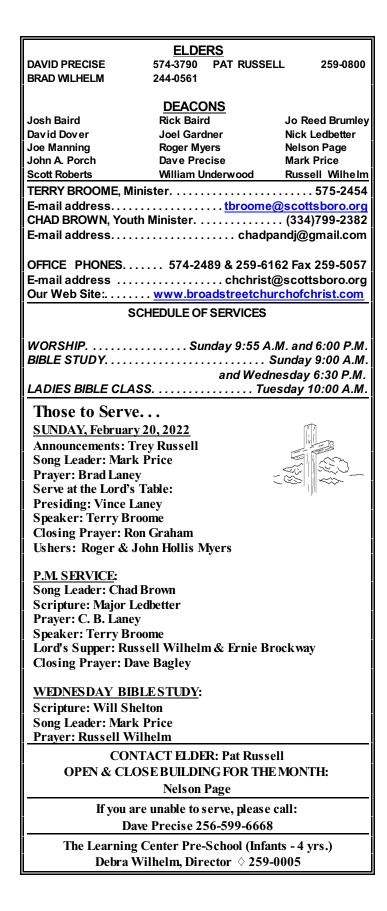
In fact, isn't that how we're measured in the world, as well? When you go for a job interview that requires college experience, what are they looking for? Don't they usually look to see if you graduated. It doesn't matter near as much what you majored in, but whether you stuck with it to the end!

So, your stamina or "stick-to-it-iveness" is very important to GOD. He wants you when no one else is looking, when everyone is looking, and when living for Him is the most difficult decision to make. Do you still live for Him during the difficult times?

Think about Daniel. Even when his life was on the line, he still decided to do just as he always did and prayed with the windows open for all to see. He was not ashamed to own the Lord or to defend His cause!

Daniel 6:10 When Daniel knew that the document had been signed, he went to his house where he had windows in his upper chamber open toward Jerusalem. He got down on his knees three times a day and prayed and gave thanks before God, as he had done previously.

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than His Word,

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