

Gospel Power



"For I am not ashamed of the gospel of Christ for it is the power of God unto salvation..." (Romans 1:16)

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Men Priviledged To Serve:
Sunday, July 11th

Bible Classes

Song Leader
..... Brian Word
Bible Reading (Isaiah 13:1-9)
..... Daniel Clemmons
Prayer
..... Jerry Dickey

Morning Worship

Song Leader
..... Brian Word
Prayer
..... Mark McIntyre
Lord's Supper
Presiding M. Eddie Hammond
Assisting Jimmy Glass
Serving Stephen Stewart
..... Aric Butler
..... Ethan Pressnell
..... Rodney McCrary
Closing Prayer
..... Brad Hammond

Evening Worship

Song Leader
..... Phil Pressnell
Bible Reading (Isaiah 13:10-16)
..... Curtis Mosley
Prayer
..... Scottie Goode
Lord's Supper
..... M. Eddie Hammond
..... Jimmy Glass
Closing Prayer
..... Andrew Gatlin

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*Beginning Tomorrow, We Will Be
Studying "Profiles of Courage"*

Vacation Bible School

July 12-16

Monday – Friday
10:00 a.m. to 11:25 a.m.

The Adult Class:

Day	Adult Class Speaker
Monday	Raymond Harville
Tuesday	Kasey Harbin
Wednesday	Larry Rouse
Thursday	Allen Dvorak
Friday	Eugene Britnell

There will be classes for ages Nursery through Adult.

Sunday, July 11

9:45 a.m.; 10:45 a.m. & 6:00 p.m.

Robby McPeak, Speaking

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The Greatest Legacy One Can Have

Luke Chandler

Since Bill Clinton's book on himself hit the shelves the other week, an oft-spoken question abounds again throughout our news media: "What is his legacy?"

That President Clinton has sought a Great Legacy for himself is no secret. Every leader, of course, would hope to be remembered for something good and lasting. Some have had a tremendous positive impact on our country, and even the world (Abraham Lincoln). Some are remembered for doing little good, but rather some harm in the story of our nation (James Buchanon).

What is the greatest legacy a leader, or any other person, could have? How should one really hope to be remembered by others?

Many who have left great legacies have not sought Legacy in and of itself, as a means of personal recognition or gain. Often, someone came upon a challenging circumstance and simply did what needed to be done, even if it was a difficult path to trod. Does that not define Lincoln? George Washington? Moses? Paul?

People such as these are remembered as heroes because they gave themselves to serve a cause greater than themselves. They are remembered because they became servants to others. Even when they led, they led through service to a cause, not as people seeking glory or honor for themselves.

"As each one has received a special gift, employ it in serving one another, as good stewards of the manifold grace of God... whoever serves, let him do so as by the strength which God supplies; so that in all things God may be glorified through Jesus Christ, to whom belongs the glory and dominion forever and ever" (1 Peter 4: 10-11).

Serve God, serve your family, serve other people, and in so doing give glory to God. If you

desire a legacy of good, live day-to-day as a servant of others. That legacy will carry to Heaven where humble and righteous ones are never forgotten, and eternally rewarded.

-via *The Sun Valley Illuminator*; Birmingham, Alabama.



Preaching God's Word

Bobby Robinson

Many take lightly the responsibility of preaching God's word to man. Jesus said unto his disciples "Go teach all nations, baptizing them in the name of the Father, and of the Son and of the Holy Ghost: teaching them to observe all things whatsoever I have commanded you: and, lo I am with you always, even unto the end of the world" (Matthew 28:19,20). When we accept the responsibility to teach God's word it is to be understood that we are to speak as the oracles of God (1 Peter 4:11). We are to speak only those things that were taught by the Apostles through inspiration. The man is condemned who would preach any other gospel (Galatians 1:8,9).

In preaching the word of God we should preach the whole counsel of God, shunning none of it. "For I have not shun to declare unto you all the counsel of God" (Acts 20:27). Keep back nothing that is profitable unto the people. "And how I kept back nothing that was profitable unto you, but have showed you, and have taught you publicly and from house to house" (Acts 20:20).

Preach to please God rather than man. "For do I now persuade men, or God? or do I seek to

please men? for if I yet please men I should not be the servant of Christ" (Galatians 1:10). "But Peter and John answered and said unto them, Whether it be right in the sight of God to hearken unto you are than unto God, judge ye. For we cannot but speak the things which we have seen and heard" (Acts 4:19,20).

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

Speak boldly. "Praying always with all prayer and supplication in the Spirit, and watching thereunto with all perseverance and supplication for all saints; And for me, that utterance may be given unto me, that I may open my mouth boldly, to make known the mystery of the gospel" (Ephesians 6:18,19).

Earnestly contend for the faith. "Beloved, when I gave all diligence to write unto you of the common salvation it was needful for me to write unto you, and exhort you that ye should earnestly contend for the faith which was once delivered unto the saints" (Jude 3).

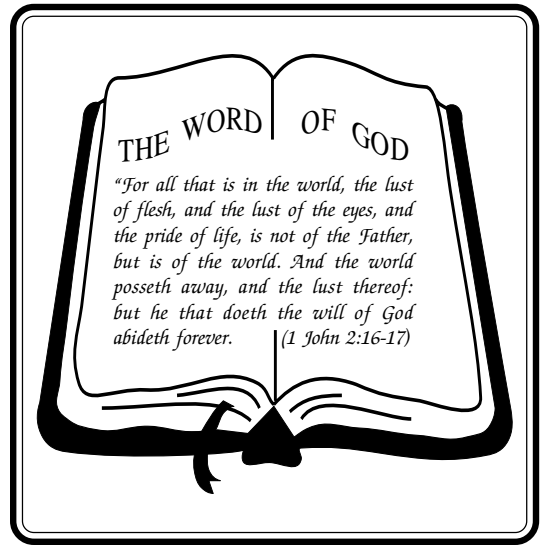
Use simple language. "For Christ sent me not to baptize, but to preach the gospel: not with wisdom of words, lest the cross of Christ should be made of none effect" (1 Corinthians 1:17). "And I brethren, when I came to you, came not with excellency of speech or of wisdom, declaring unto you the testimony of God" (1 Corinthians 2:1).

Reprove, rebuke and exhort. "Preach the word; be instant in season; out of season; reprove, rebuke, exhort with all longsuffering and doctrine.

The preaching of God's word is a great responsibility. We must realize that souls are involved. The soul of man is worth more than all the riches in the world. We must be very careful to speak through His word. Does your preacher preach like this? Does he encourage you to check what he says by God's word? Does he become offended if you question something he teaches or

practices? It is time for all of us to go back to the Bible for authority for things that we do.

-via *The Parkway Teacher*, Caddo, Alabama.



News & Notes

THE SICK: *Angie McCrary's father, Buford Shook* his home from the hospital following his recent surgery...*Sonya Blackburn* had carpal tunnel surgery done last Friday... *Helen Trousdale's sister, Margaret Neal Newton*, is taking chemo treatments about every three weeks...*Myrtie Williams* continues to recover at home ...Remember *Mattie Blanche Word* continues at home ...*Kathy Smith's sister-in-law, Sue Gilliam*, is undergoing chemo and radiation treatments... *Marcia Cooper's and Brian Word's uncle, Paul McCafferty* is at the Countryside Nursing Home in Lawrenceburg ...*James McConnell's mother, Della Mae McConnell*, continues at home... *Jerry Best's nephew, Shannon Johnson*, continues at home ... *Tisha Thomas' grandmother, Nellie Hunter*, is in the Meadow Brook Nursing Home in

Pulaski.

OUT OF TOWN: *The Phillips: Ronnie and Lou Ann* are in Starkville, Mississippi today... *June Calvert* is away on vacation.

GOSPEL MEETING/VBS: The *Phil Campbell church* is beginning a meeting today and it will continue through Friday with services each evening at 7:30 p.m. *Wendell Ward* will be the speaker in this meeting...The *Jackson Heights church* in Columbia will be engaged in a VBS this week each evening at 7:00p.m. *Phillip Mullins* will be the speaker in the adult class.

COMMUNICATION GROUPS: Tonight will be the time for Communication Group two to meet following our evening service. If you are in group two remember to meet with your group this evening.

PREACHING TODAY: *Robby McPeak* is here today and will be preaching. We help Robby in his support in the work at *Tillman's Corner church* in Mobile. It is good to have *Robby*, his wife, *Carol*, and his children, *David, Matthew and Ben*, with us today and we look forward to getting to know them.

VACATION BIBLE SCHOOL: Remember our vacation Bible school will be this week Monday through Friday at 10:00 a.m. I know the teachers have all work very hard in preparing for the week and I hope that everyone who possibly can will be present each morning. There will be different speakers in the adult class in the auditorium each day.

THE RECORD: *Attendance the week of July 4th Sunday:*

Bible Classes 93
Morning Worship 121
Evening Worship 86

Wednesday:

Bible Classes 87

Remember Our Bible Class Periods

Sunday at 9:45 a.m.
Wednesday at 7:00 p.m.

Schedule of Services

Sunday

Bible Classes 9:45 a.m.
Morning Worship 10:45 a.m.
Evening Worship 6:00 p.m.

Wednesday

Bible Classes 7:00 p.m.

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