

The Lemoore Caller

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Schedule of Services

Sunday Bible Study.....9:30 a.m.

Sunday A.M. Worship.....10:30 a.m.

Sunday P.M. Worship.....5:00 p.m.

Wednesday Bible Classes.....7:00 p

What is a disciple?

Let us consider what a disciple is. First, we need to recognize that a disciple is a follower or student of someone. We obviously want to be disciples of our Lord being followers of his word. We must know that it is the word of God that makes a disciple. (Acts 6:7) "And the word of God increased; and the number of the disciples multiplied in Jerusalem greatly; and a great company of the priests were obedient to the faith." We need to know that disciples are simply Christians. (Acts 11:26) "And when he had found him, he brought him unto Antioch. And it came to pass, that a whole year they assembled themselves with the church, and taught much people. And the disciples were called Christians first in Antioch."

We should see that the disciples were worshippers. (Acts 20:7) "And upon the first day of the week, when the disciples came together to break bread, Paul preached unto them, ready to depart on the morrow; and continued his speech until midnight." We as disciples must recognize that we need to continue to grow. "But grow in the grace and knowledge of our Lord and Savior Jesus Christ. To him be glory both now and forever"! (2 Tim. 3:18) Amen. Finally, as disciples we must be simply followers and humble at that! (Matthew 10:24) "The disciple is not above his master, nor the servant above his lord." By realizing that we are all servants of the Lord, we humbly and meekly serve as we go about our day to day activities. Looking for opportunities to do good, to help others, and to allow Jesus to be seen in us. We know that one of our largest duties in our service is to fulfill the "Great Commission", thus we must train those who are babes in the faith to teach as well. The church will only remain consistent in true spiritual growth if we continue to study and mature as well.

(II Timothy 2:15). Do your best to present yourself to God as one approved, a worker who does not need to be ashamed and who correctly handles the word of truth.

Lemoore Church of Christ

April 7, 2019

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Services:

Today: 9:30 Bible Classes
10:30 Morning Worship
5:00 Evening Worship
Wed. 7:00 Bible classes

Servants for April

Greeter: Whitney Broadus

Communion Prep Garth and Tiffany Radcliff

Men Leading Services for April 7:

Welcome/Call to Worship: Craig Case

Song Leader: Garth Radcliff

Opening Prayer: Richard Bullough

Prayer List: Gary Cole

Lord's Table: LEAD: Gary Curtis
Rich Rhoads
Gary Rice
David Sander

Scripture Reading: Brandon Hodgson

Announcements/Cl. Prayer: Frank Baldwin

Alternates: Cofas Case, Herminio Gutiérrez,
Randy McCord

P.M. Song Leader: David Sander

Wednesday Night: April 10

Songs: Gary Curtis

Speaker: Taylor Radcliff

Announcement/Cl. Prayer: Craig Case



Upcoming Events:

April 7 Valley Christian Home today 2:30
April 8 Men's Business Meeting
April 14 Easter luncheon and Egg Hunt
April 17 Craft Day for FYBC
April 28 Birthday Fellowship
May 13 Men's Business meeting
May 29 5th Wednesday Singing-we host



Easter Luncheon and Egg Hunt

Our annual luncheon and Easter Egg hunt will be held on Sunday April 14th after morning services. All are invited to join us for a potluck lunch and watch the kids hunt for eggs. Candy donations gladly accepted!



Valley Christian Home

We have services at Valley Christian Home this afternoon. Richard Bullough will be the speaker. We begin at 2:30



Birthday Fellowship:

Comfort Food is the theme for our next birthday Fellowship. It will be held on April 28th and Lisa Butts will be our hostess.



FYBC Craft Day

There will be a craft day On Wednesday April 17th here at the building. The hours will be 10 am-12 noon and those who would like to stay longer, we will have lunch. If you are interested please see Denise so she can plan for lunch if needed.



FYBC News

We are currently collecting buttons and items for our Memorial Day Basket. The theme is "Tea Party". We need tea related items. There are items that have been suggested on cards on the bulletin board. Please take the card of the item you wish to donate.

*For the Lord your God is living
among you. He is a mighty
Savior. He will take delight in you
with gladness. With his love, he
will calm your fears. He will rejoice
over you with joyful songs.
Zephaniah 3:17*

You are building each moment,
In architect's role,
A character building,
A Home for the Soul

So, while you are building,
Don't putter and slack,
Build a fine mansion,
Not merely a shack.



Prayer List

The family of Greg Westin as his father passed away.

June England, wife of YBC caretaker, fell and broke her wrist. PT has not been going well.

The family of Bobby Jones, friend of Kerri Hodgson, whose wife passed away in a car accident leaving Bobby and 8 children.

The Martyn Family as Lynda's mom, Elaine Robbins, has passed away. Services are Monday in Sonora.

Regina Gamble, youngest sister to Larry Gamble, passed away this past week. Larry is in Oregon for the funeral.

Ray and Tammy Scott are now grandparents.

Jeff Greene, former member here, had heart surgery this past week. One stent was placed to relieve a 90% blockage.

Richard Bullough will be consulting a specialist in San Francisco regarding surgery.

Wes Cole, brother to Gary Cole, in nursing home - hospice has been called in.

Brenda Talbert, mother of Donna Boyd from FYBC, is home following brain surgery to remove tumors. They are awaiting the pathology report to determine future treatment.

Emilio Franco recovering from surgery

Sandy Curtis is home

Doug Standridge is home

Janet Billington, from Madera, had surgery to remove the tumor. It had not ruptured or spread. She is home recovering.

Frances Aguirre will have corrective shoulder surgery on April 4th and she is in the process of scheduling back surgery.

Jerry Tyler, from West Visalia, fell off a ladder and broke his leg.

Maria Concilion, Isabel Gutierrez' mom; waiting for test results

Mike Virden is home in Lemoore

Lois Atchley, Sandra Case's grandmother, under hospice care.

Jack Otto's daughter, Robin, had back surgery Tuesday at Kaweah Delta.

Becky and Glen Fraley, Glen has been placed on 2 transplant lists. He has been in the hospital with pneumonia.

Hal Crain is having dialysis 3x a week.

Leon and Lois Collins, Wilma Cole's brother and family, for strength with daily issues.

Lavita Hardison, Donna Case's sister, currently in a nursing home due to a stroke she had last May

Casey Case, Jr., ongoing Oncology treatment.

Hannah Detlefsen, daughter of friends of Lisa Butts,

Dennis Thomas, nephew of Jeanne and Clofas Case, undergoing cancer treatment.

Jordan Willis deployment for the Navy

First Responders

Military and their families

Those traveling

Our Mission Work:

***Our Preachers in Nicaragua**

***Agape Village**

***Crossover Ministry**

***City of Children**

***Manuelito Children's Home**

***church of Christ Disaster Relief Fund**

***World Christian Broadcasting**

Home

Where a world of strife is shut out and a world of love is shut in.

Where the small is great and the great is small.
The father's kingdom, the mother's world and the child's paradise.

The place where we grumble the most, but are treated the best.

Where our stomachs get three meals a day and our hearts get a thousand.

*I have come as a light to shine in this
dark world, so that all who put their trust
in me will no longer remain in the dark.*

John 12:46

How To Study The Bible, Part 1

The Bible continues to outsell every book published. Though "best sellers" will always come along every now and then and sell a few million copies, they do not continue to sell so briskly every year. The Bible, however, sells at consistent levels year after year.

But how much does the average person know about the Bible? As evidenced by the confusion that exists in the religious world (e.g., so many different man-made religions) and the number of people who are anti-religious or simply irreligious, I doubt that enough people know as much as they need to about the Bible.

Why don't people know more about the bible? While I don't pretend to know every possible reason why so much ignorance of God's word exists, I do know of one major cause that contributes to the problem: Most people simply do not read the Bible.

We Must Read The Bible

Jesus, in the course of his teaching often questioned his listeners by saying "have you not read," and would then proceed to ask about the subject under consideration at the moment (Matthew 12:3; 19:4; 21:16, 42; 22:31; Mark 2:25; 12:10, 26; Luke 6:3; 10:26). By questioning in this manner Jesus focused attention on his audience's responsibility to have some degree of familiarity with what the scriptures said. In order to know what the scriptures say, we must read the scriptures. God knows this. It is for this reason that we see so many prescriptions in the Old Testament to read the word of God (Exodus 24:7; Deuteronomy 17:19; 31:11; Joshua 8:34-35; 2 Kings 22:8, 10, 16; 23:2; 2 Chronicles 34:18, 24, 30; Nehemiah 8:3, 8, 18; 9:3; Isaiah 34:16). Of these verses, consider especially Nehemiah 8:3, 8 and 18. As Ezra and Nehemiah were restoring the ancient order of worship among the Jews returning from captivity, note the emphasis on reading the law of God.

Jesus, knowing God's mandate to read the Old Testament scriptures, held his audiences responsible for having done so.

We Must Read To Know

Reading is important. But reading is not an end unto itself. It is a means to an end. The goal is knowledge. We do not read anything written simply to read. We read to learn. We read to gain knowledge. So it is with the scriptures. Reading the scriptures is important. John says that there is a blessing inherent in reading God's truth (cf. Revelation 1:3). But this verse also teaches that those who keep God's words would be blessed. It is not possible to obey them if we cannot understand them. The Old Testament Jews read the scriptures. As part of the synagogue system of worship the scriptures were read every Sabbath day (Acts 13:15, 27; 15:21). Jesus himself read the scriptures on the Sabbath in the synagogue (Luke 4:16ff). But some of the Jews did not know what they should have known (Acts 13:27). In addition to asking "have you not read," Jesus sometimes told the Jews that they were in error because they did not know the scriptures (Matthew 22:29; 21:42; Mark 12:10, 24; John 7:42). His question about their reading, therefore, implied that they should not only have read, but learned. There must be a reading of God's word with the intent to know God's word.

The Ethiopian eunuch read Isaiah (Acts 8:28, 30, 32), but he did not know the meaning of what he was reading. Philip helped him to understand what he read (vs. 30-31).

Reading, unless it leads to knowledge (understanding), is only part of the job of studying God's word. As we strive to follow God, let us determine to read God's word more diligently every day. As followers of God, let us determine to read God's word with the view in mind of knowing God's will, and then let us do it (cf. Ezra 7:10). God has revealed his will to us so that we should know his will: "it is written . . . God has revealed them to us . . . that we might know the things that have been freely given to us by God" (1 Corinthians 2:9-13). When we read God's will, we can know God's will: "by revelation He made known to me the mystery (as I wrote before in a few words, by which, when you read, you may understand my knowledge in the mystery of Christ), which in other ages was not made known to the sons of men, as it has now been revealed by the Spirit to His holy apostles and prophets" (Ephesians 3:1-5).

Read. Know and understand. Do.