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.m

The Hand of the Lord

One of the thoughts we find most comforting is summed up in that song which has the phrase, "He's got the whole world in His hands." Each verse then talks about how He has "you and me brother" and "you and me sister" and "the little bitty babies" in His hands. The very concept that we are cradled in the hands of God brings peace to our soul.

The phrase, "the hand of the Lord," is found thirty-nine times in the Bible. It is most frequently used to describe those times when God moved in judgment against the wicked. The writer of the letter to the Hebrews said, "It is a fearful thing to fall into the hands of the living God" (Heb. 10:31). On the other hand, it is wonderful to envision our calling out to God and see His almighty arms reach down from heaven and His tender hands to hold us. It is true that "He's got you and me in the hollow of His hand."

The span of a man's hand is the distance between his thumb and his little finger when fully extended. God's hand fully extended is larger than our universe. How wonderful it is to know that it is this hand that holds us. "He's got you and me brother, you and me sister, in the hollow of His hand."

Lemoore Church of Christ September 22, 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 September:

Greeters Herminio and Isabel Gutierrez

Men Leading Services today:

Welcome/Call to Worship: Garrett Sander

Song Leader: Garth Radcliff Opening Prayer: Gary Rice Prayer List: Frank Baldwin

Lord's Table: LEAD: Craig Case

David Sander Matt Rhoads

Herminio Gutierrez

Scripture Reading: Jordan Willis

Announcements/Cl. Prayer: Gary Curtis Alternates: Clofas Case, Brandon Hodgson, Rich Rhoads, Richard Bullough, Gary Cole

P.M. Song Leader: David Sander

Wednesday Night: Sept. 25

Bible Bowl

Upcoming Events:

Sept. 22 Breakfast Fellowship

Birthday Fellowship

Oct. 4-6 Ladies Retreat at YBC

Oct. 7 Men's Meeting

Oct. 11-15 Youth forum at West Visalia

Oct. 20 Birthday Fellowship

Oct. 25 Area Wide Singing – We host

Oct. 31 Trunk or Treat

Birthday Fellowship

Tonight, following evening worship, we will celebrate our September birthdays and anniversaries. It will begin at 6 p.m. in the fellowship hall. Pasta is the theme and Shirley Garretson is our hostess.

Upcoming Singing Opportunities
The area Wide Singing will be held
Here in Lemoore on October 25th.
Refreshments will be needed following the singing.

Breakfast Ministry: Coffee Social

Plan on joining us each week at the Coffee Social in the Fellowship Hall from 8-9:15. Come enjoy a time of visiting, hosted by Jordan Willis, as we prepare to worship the Lord.

Youth Forum

The West Visalia congregation will have their annual youth forum on Oct 11 -13. The theme is WONDER: We Serve an Amazing God. There is no cost for attendees Jr. High – College. Please the foyer bulletin board for more information.

The faithful love of the Lord never ends! His mercies never cease. Great is His faithfulness. His mercies begin afresh each morning.

Lamentations 3:22-23

Prayer List:

Lynda Sander had her second infusion
Gary Cole recovering from knee surgery
Chris Downs, brother of Tiffany Radcliff,
experiencing life trials. Prayers are requested
that he can get the medical help he needs.
Marjory and Mark Cooper Mark is doing well
at this time.

Bill Butts recovering from eye surgery. **Tito Cano, husband of Angie** His next scheduled chemotherapy is for 10/7.

Jordan Willis for strength

Lora Virden had a procedure last Friday.

Don and Shirley Blackwell

Bart Massey, friend of Dixie Blair, diagnosed with stage 4 stomach cancer

Ron and Kris Cole Ron's Myeloma has returned. Infusions have not been effective at this time.

Becky and Glen Fraley, Glen is on the SF transplant list.

Hal Crain experiencing pain following a leg amputation.

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

Casey Case, Jr., ongoing Oncology treatment. **Dennis Thomas**, nephew of Jeanne and Clofas Case, undergoing cancer treatment.

Our Mission Work:

- *First Responders
- *Our Preachers in Nicaragua
- *Agape Village
- *Crossover Ministry
- *City of Children
- *Manuelito Children's Home
- *church of Christ Disaster Relief Fund
- *World Christian Broadcasting

What God Wants
By Jay Kelley (via Indio church of Christ)
"He has showed you, O man, what is
good. And what does the LORD require of you?
To act justly and to love mercy and to walk
humbly with your God." Micah 6:8 These three
things - act justly, love mercy and walk humbly are the focus of a Christ-centered life.

God expects His people to treat others fairly. Jesus summed that up in the Golden Rule. Fair treatment means a day's work for a day's pay, whether you are the worker or the payer. It means a fair shake for everyone with whom we deal, regardless of our personal feelings. It means standing up for right when it isn't popular. Ultimately, it means doing what God tells us to do all the time.

To love mercy is more than being merciful. It is one thing to grudgingly give mercy to those who deserve otherwise because God has ordered it as though we were children ordered to make up after a fight. It is quite another to love mercy so much we look for ways to show it. Jesus loved mercy, and his example was one of the greatest compassion in confronting the sins of the people combined with stern rebuke for those who led them.

Finally, we are to walk humbly with our God. When we think of the great privilege to walk with God, how can we do any less than walk humbly? It is a human tendency to get a little full of ourselves from time to time, and Christians are no exception.

It is good for us to remind ourselves that we are here simply by God's grace and the message we have been given is not our own, but God's. If that message is rejected, we should not angrily assume it is personal. Rather, as those who love mercy, we should be saddened when someone seals their doom by rejecting God.

In the end, our outward obedience - frequency of communion, worship and even mode and reason for baptism - must come from a sincere desire to please God.

If not, we might as well be heathens.

I will keep my eyes always on the Lord. With him at my right hand, I will not be shaken.

Psalm 16:8

The Truth About Christ's Church

There may be some things in the Bible which are difficult to understand, but there are others which are so simply stated but often are easily overlooked. Two of these truths are that Jesus established the church and that He never wanted it to be changed.

Read Matthew 16:18 and notice how easy it is to understand the promise Jesus made before He died about what was about to happen. "I will build My church." Even a child can grasp these words. Continue to read the Bible, and you will see exactly what happened. Just days after He ascended into heaven that church became a reality, and men were added to it (Acts 2:38-47)We must never overlook this truth so plainly stated.

Read the words in Matthew 16 which follow His promise to build the church. He said to Peter, "Whatever you bind on earth will be bound in heaven and whatever you loose on earth will be loosed in heaven." Two chapters later, He expanded this right to reveal God's message bound upon all men to include others (Matthew 18:18) For the church to exist, there was a new testament which was about to be revealed, but when that truth was bound on this earth it was bound in heaven. We must not overlook this truth so simply stated.

To see how firmly this new way of living was binding on man, read the words of the apostle Paul. "I marvel that you are turning away so soon from Him who called you in the grace of Christ, to a different gospel, which is not another; but there are some who trouble you and want to pervert the gospel of Christ" (Gal.1:6-7) The truth was so firmly bound on mankind that to change it is described as a perversion.

Then, read the next verse to see that the gospel could not be changed. "But even if we, or an angel from heaven, preach any other gospel to you than what we have preached to you, let him be accursed." Do you see how easily these words show that the Lord never gave any man, including the apostle Paul, or any angel from heaven to change the truth that was revealed?

Yet, it is so easy to overlook these two truths. God first gave that Old Testament to the Jews and only God Himself could change it (Deut. 4:2, 12:32) When Jesus gave us the New Testament, He gave this same message—do not change it. How tragic it is that since Jesus left the earth men have changed the church and changed the truth bound on us in so many ways.

What would happen if all those who believed in Jesus decided to return to the simple truth given by Jesus and the apostles? What would the church look like if we established that first-century church in our day? Think about it!