



Lemoore church of Christ

Dec. 20, 2020

Five Minutes with God: This week:

Sunday	Day 355	Luke 24:44-49
Monday	Day 356	John 20:19-23
Tuesday	Day 367	John 20:24-29
Wednesday	Day 358	John 20:30-31
Thursday	Day 359	Matthew 28:16-20
Friday	Day 360	Mark 16:14-18
Saturday	Day 361	John 21:1-14

Prayer List:

Ann Banks, Lorie Witt's mother home now
Jim, Whitney's son, acute ocular myasthenia gravis has been hospitalized with COVID-19
Lynne and Phillip Garretson COVID-19 – Lynne in the hospital and now has shingles.
Darlene Wilson had an abnormal test result and will be having further procedures.
John Moore is now home
Sandy, friend of Cheryl Crain, had surgery
Gary Cole recovering from knee replacement
Whitney Broaddus has been ill
Gary Curtis recovering from eye surgery
Mike Souza recovering from back surgery
Eula Rhoads
Alice's sister, Ruth, recovering from surgery
Betty Standridge problems with feet/legs
Kerri Hodgson's brother Don hypothermia
Kerri Hodgson's brother Tim in hospital with COVID
Diane Wren, Mother of friend of Denise Dean, on ventilator with COVID
Megan, Garth's Brother-in-law's niece, cancer
Michael Davis, from Springville is very ill.
Kim Cargill, Stephanie Tischmacher's stepmom
Doug Standridge
Red and Marjory Cooper Marjory having surgery in January
Janet Billington radiation for liver cancer
Meryl Wamhoff, friend of Lisa Butts, has been declared cancer free!! He and his family are grateful for your prayers
Kelly Kusserow, friend of Lisa's has cancer
Gary Radcliff, Garth's father, started chemo
Linda Frye, Cancer
Bill Fox, co-worker of Frank Baldwin,
Angie and Tito Cano- Tito on maintenance meds
Casey Case Jr ongoing oncology treatment

Our Mission Work:

- First Responders
- Preachers in Nicaragua
- Agape Village
- Crossover Ministry
- City of Children
- Manuelito's Children's Home
- Church of Christ Disaster relief Fund
- World Christian Broadcasting

Getting Extra by Giving Extra - by Greg Gwin

For several years my sons earned money during the summer months by mowing lawns for different individuals. It was hard work, but they did well, and by "word-of mouth" they developed a clientele of several dozen different people.

I watched with interest as they worked for these folks. Some people were determined to get all that they've paid for, and then some. They would watch carefully as their lawn was mowed, and then frequently ask for some sort of "extra" at the end. This might include trimming a shrub or cutting weeds in a flower garden. There was usually very little expression of thanks. I can tell you that the boys didn't always enjoy working for people like that, and there was the tendency to do what had to be done and get out of there.

On the other hand, some of their customers were more than generous. They regularly commended them for their good work, and some even gave them an extra \$5 once in a while. You'd be surprised at how much they got for that extra \$5! There was a desire to do a really good job for these people. Because of the kindness and appreciation these folks gave, they got more without even asking for it.

I was thinking about how this has some application to our work together in the church. There are different kinds of people in any congregation. Some are negative and critical. They have many complaints and often express how dissatisfied they are. When folks do this, they very often hurt themselves. The natural (not necessarily right, but natural) reaction is to draw back from such people. They are not pleasant to be around, so people start avoiding them.

On the other hand, there are brethren who are positive and pleasant. They are quick to encourage others and express their appreciation. These 'go the extra mile' in showing their love and commitment to their fellow Christians. And, as a result, they get more in return as folks give the same back to them. They get more by giving more! Which kind of Christian are you?