

Morning Worship

June 26, 2016

Pastor — Allan Lane

Organ --- Alva Lou Schottel

Worship Leader — Tim Waters

Piano — Sharon Waters

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Welcome and Fellowship

Allan/People

Hymn # 469

"Revive Us Again"

Tim/People

Offering/Worship Prayer

John Lewis

Tithes and Offerings

People

Offering Music

Sharon Waters

Faith, Hope and Love Medley:

Tim/People

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"Have Faith In God"

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"The Solid Rock"

410

"It is Well with My Soul"

Anthem

"There Is a Redeemer"

Worship Choir

Scripture Reading

Ephesians 6:1-4

Allan/People

Message

"The Perfect Child"

Allan Lane

Hymn # 298

"I'll Live for Him"

Tim/People

Prayer Concerns

Allan/People

Chorus of # 571 *"Let Others See Jesus in You"* Tim/People

The Perfect Child

Ephesians 6:1-4

Perhaps you've heard the story about three young husbands who were in a hospital maternity ward awaiting the births of their babies. The nurse came in and said to the first father, "Congratulations. Your wife just gave birth to twins!" The father jumped for joy and said, "This is an incredible coincidence - because I work for the Minnesota Twins!"

A few minutes later, the nurse came in and told the second father, "Congratulations! Your wife just gave birth to triplets!" The second father jumped for joy and said, "This is an incredible coincidence - because I work for the 3M Company!"

When the third father heard this, he shouted, "Oh no," and fainted. The nurse tended to him and when he revived, she asked him why the news was so shocking. He replied, "The first husband works for the Twins and his wife had twins. The second husband works for 3M and his wife had triplets. Well, I WORK FOR 7UP!"

That poor man fainted because he jumped to a conclusion that had not yet come true. But, if it were to come true, that could become a parenting nightmare, because parenting is an awesome responsibility. The Peace Corps says that it's the toughest job you'll ever love. But I disagree with that. I believe that being a parent is the toughest job you'll ever love.

Think about it. Parents have an awesome responsibility. They are responsible for their child's physical, emotional, and spiritual welfare. They are on the job 24 hours a day, 7 days a week. Parents have a tough job and they deserve to be treated right by their children. As the fifth commandment says, "Honor your father and your mother." The Apostle Paul adds to it in our text today. Parents have an awesome responsibility

to attempt to raise perfect children. Paul gives us some tips. He says "The Perfect Child ..."

1) ... Obeys their parents.

Obey! You knew it. That's all the preacher talks about. Sounds just like my parents. Obey! Obey! Obey! Why should I? That is a good question that deserves an answer. Sometimes, parents, we need to be able to answer our kids questions of why. This is how we are going to help them grow and mature. And sometimes, kids, there will be times that you just need to obey. And why is that?

a) God commands it.

Let's read 6:1 again. Does it say, Kids, if your parents are being nice, then obey? Or kids, if your day has been going well, obey? No, it says (Ephesians 6:1) "Children, obey your parents in the Lord." It is a command.

Listen, we see in Scripture how God is unbelievably brilliant. He has designed things just the way He wants and the way that works best. He also designed the family and he has given order to the family so that His most spectacular part of creation, the human race, us, those created in His image, can continue to survive and live.

He has designed kids to need their parents to teach them and help them and kids need to take their role and responsibilities seriously because God takes His commands seriously and they are given for a reason, to help you survive. So you need to obey your parents because God commands us to.

b) God is pleased by it.

Colossians 3:20 says; "Children, obey your parents in everything, for this pleases the Lord. Whenever we obey what God wants us to do, we please Him. This is our purpose, to bring pleasure an honor and glory to the Lord. God wants us to become more like Jesus and when we please God, we are being more like Jesus.

Jesus says in John 5:30 "I seek not to please myself but him who sent me." John 8:29 "The one who sent me is with me; he has not left me alone, for I always do what pleases him."

Jesus obeyed His Father because it brought pleasure to the Father and that was His purpose. That should be our purpose too, to please God, so we can be more like Christ.

So if we are going to do what pleases God, then you need to obey your parents.

c) It's only right .

Ephesians 6:1 says, "Children, obey your parents in the Lord, for this is right." He has given parents responsibility over you for your own good. You may not always be able to see how God's way is good, but that is why we must trust Him.

God has given you parents who have more experience in life than you and for those who have Christian parents, they have been able to see God's work and how His ways are best even during times when it is not apparent initially.

Maybe you are thinking you don't know my parents. My parents don't know anything. My parent's only goal in life is to make me miserable. My parents hate me, and they won't let me do anything.

Listen, Even though it may seem hard to believe, your parents were kids once, too. And they made a lot of mistakes. Mistakes that sometimes not only affect your life at a moment in time, but affect your life forever. And they want to help you avoid those mistakes.

We as parents have learned that it is better to stay away from tempting situations than to try and remain strong in the midst of it. We have learned that there are some situations that to you seem like will be fun and exciting, but from our own experience,

they are not what they seem. We have learned that the younger you are, the less likely that you will be able to be strong enough to stand up under the pressure that comes from peers sometimes. And we love you too much to stand by and watch you make mistakes that could affect your life forever.

Well, parents can make mistakes, too. Some parents even abuse their responsibilities. But as we obey God, God can even watch over you then and protect you and use those times in your life to work good (Romans 8:28). Realize that when God commands something, even when you don't understand, it is the right thing to do and is the best thing for us to do.

2) ... Honors their parents.

Ephesians 6:2; "Honor your father and mother"-which is the first commandment with promise." You might ask, in obeying them, don't I honor them? Can't I just honor them by obeying what they say?

a) The difference between honor and obey.

It is true that you show your parents some honor by obeying them. But we need to give honor to our parents even beyond obeying them. For instance, when our parents tell us to do something, we don't want to do, like Take out the garbage or clean your rooms.

b) Have the right attitude .

You say, "Fine, I'll do it!" We obey them, but we are not really honoring them. But imagine how it would honor them if we said, "Yeah sure Dad, I know that it needs to get done and if I don't do it then I am leaving it to someone else to take my responsibility." Even if you don't always say that, but think it, it'll change your tone of how you respond to your parents.

One boy was going on a field trip with his class and they were going on a boat to see the city skyline. It was a pretty nice day and he did not want to bring a coat. His father told him he had to take one. He wasn't very happy about it, but he did it.

When he got home that day, he told his father about his field trip and how glad he was that he had his coat. Many of the other kids without coats were freezing out on the lake. And he said thanks, Dad, for making me take my coat. That was honoring to his father.

When you realize that your parents were right about something, tell them that they were. You honor them by doing that. It helps you grow in your trust of your parents and it helps you mature. As you do mature things, it will help your parents treat you as a maturing child.

One time a boy got a couple of free passes to the movies so he decided to go with a friend. They wanted to see a certain movie, but his father wanted to check that movie out first. The boy told his friend on the phone that his dad had to make sure the movie was appropriate for boys their age. It turns out that the father did not approve, so the son had to tell his friend. That was not the easiest thing to do. The son did not tell his friend all the details about why he could not go. He simply told his friend that his father did not approve. In doing so, the father felt honored that he was willing to tell the other boy plainly without complaint or criticism. It showed the father that the son was maturing and growing and honoring him in his decisions.

It is not always going to be easy. In fact sometimes it will be hard, but God will use those times in your life to grow you and help you.

3) ... Reaps the rewards.

Finally, when you are obeying and honoring your parents, it brings rewards. What are those? It seems like it benefits the parents by getting free labor. What kind of benefit is there for the child?

a) a better life.

Ephesians 6:3a "that it may go well with you." Life will go better if you obey and honor your parents. Sometimes it will go better immediately. The one boy was warmer and more comfortable and happy that he brought his jacket that day. Sometimes it will be better in the long run. The other boy probably did not experience the benefit visibly of not having gone to that movie. But, when we don't fill our minds with pictures and phrases that are not glorifying to God, we are less likely to have those things influence us negatively and more likely to have a more positive life. So we can experience a better life by seeing the positive results soon and not experiencing the negative results at all.

b) a longer life.

Ephesians 6:3b "that you may enjoy long life on the earth." When we obey and honor our parents, we live a better less stressful life and we get to enjoy a longer life than we normally would on the earth. These are the benefits that you will get to experience. Obeying God is the best way to live and for you, in the role God has you as a child living in your parent's household, we honor and obey God by honoring and obeying our parents.

That may not always seem like the best thing to you, but the God who created this world in all of its uniqueness and perfection just for us, has also designed our roles in such a way that we live best by following His plan.

Conclusion

Isn't that something that you want as a child? To live life in the way that it is best for you? Of course, it is. The thing is, to do it you need not only the help of your parents in helping you grow, you need the help of God in your life through the Holy Spirit. If you are a kid and have never received Jesus as your Savior, or don't remember ever doing that, why don't you do that today? Jesus wants to help you and give you not only long life on earth, but life forever with Him in Heaven.

We Need All the Help We Can Get!

Will The Real Jesus Please Stand Up? In Matthew 24:24, Jesus provides a stern warning that "false Christs and false prophets will appear and perform great signs and miracles to deceive even the elect--if that were possible ..."

There is a new version of the old "To Tell the Truth" game show. Perhaps you know how the show works. Contestants must question three contestants to determine the true identity of the person they are describing. In the end, the one with the true identity stands up to be recognized. Unfortunately, if you're looking for the true Jesus these days, there are more than three "contestants." The cults and false religions of the day have produced some such as these.

Jesus #1: Jesus was Michael the archangel, the first being created by Jehovah God, "a god" but not Almighty God, was invisibly raised from the dead as a "spirit being" and has already invisibly returned to earth.

Jesus #2: Jesus was the "spirit brother" of Lucifer, a man who evolved to godhood and was married to more than one woman while on this earth.

Jesus #3: This is a Jesus who never came in the flesh, but is simply a divine idea or principle inherent in every person.

Jesus #4: Jesus is one of many great prophets but has since been superseded by a greater prophet. He did live a sinless life but was not crucified nor did he die to pay the penalty for anyone's sins.

All of the above are the creations of men. Although they bear the same name as the true Jesus revealed in the Holy Scriptures, there is still only one Historical Son of God. However, as eternally dangerous as all of the above "Jesuses" are, there may be some that are even more dangerous.

There are many people, some even sitting in church week after week, who have created a Jesus in their own minds with whom they are comfortable. He may be a Jesus that is all "love" but contains no judgment. He may be a Jesus that tolerates all lifestyles and life choices even though they are in conflict with the Word of God. Many are not the true Jesus revealed in the entirety of God's Word.

In 2 Corinthians 11:4, the apostle Paul warned the believers at Corinth, "For if someone comes to you and preaches a Jesus other than the Jesus we preached, or if you receive a different spirit from the one you received, or a different gospel from the one you accepted, you put up with it easily enough."

There are other Jesuses, other spirits and other gospels. Are you "putting up" with a false Jesus, one that cannot save? At one point while Jesus was walking this earth, He turned to His disciple Peter, and asked, "Who do you say that I am?" Simon Peter, under the inspiration of the Holy Spirit, answered boldly, "You are the Christ, the Son of the Living God."

There is only One Jesus who is God in the flesh, only One who died on the cross for your sins, only One who rose physically from the dead and is alive forevermore, only One who sets you free from the bondage of sin, only One who grants eternal life to those who believe. Do you know Him?

God Bless You!

Bro. Allan

Opportunities For Service

Living out Your Spiritual Commitment . . . and Fulfilling Christ's Divine Plan

Sunday, June 26, 2016

Choir Rehearsal..... 9:00 am

Sunday School 9:15 am

Morning Worship.....10:30 am

Nursery: Volunteers as needed

Ushers: John Lewis, Gary Yarbrough, Joseph Coats, Isaac Waters

Alternate: Larry McKahan

Monday, June 27—July 1

Youth Camp at Grand Oaks

Pray every day for campers!

Wednesday, June 29

No Youth Study.....

Prayer / Bible Study 6:30 pm

Adult Choir 7:30 pm

Friday, July 1

Home from camp

Sunday, July 3, 2016

Choir Rehearsal..... 9:00 am

Sunday School 9:15 am

Morning Worship.....10:30 am

Nursery: Volunteers as needed

Ushers: Larry McKahan, Bill Schottel, Ken Kirkpatrick, Isaac Waters

Alternate: Ken Nice

Evening Worship.....6:30 pm

Wednesday, July 6

Youth Study..... 6:30 pm

Prayer / Bible Study6:30 pm

Adult Choir 7:30 pm

Thursday, July 7

W Team.....6:30 pm

Up-Coming Events.....

June 26 — Diversicare 2:30 pm

July 3 — Fourth of July Worship

July 4 — Independence Day — Office Closed

July 25-29 — SJBA Children's Camp at Grand Oaks

July 30 — Movie Event at First Baptist Church, Savannah, MO 6pm

GROW Team

Commit to **GROW! Everyone make a contact!** Invite someone to Bible Study and Worship this week. ☺

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Sunday Nights

We will have Sunday Evening Service here tonight.

Wednesday Night Prayer and Bible Study

We will meet this Wednesday at 6:30 pm. Prayer matters!

State Fair Mission Opportunity

Are you interested in a One Day Mission Trip? The MBC Directors of Missions organization needs prayer partners and adults to share their salvation testimony at the Missouri State Fair. A team of eight to ten people is needed per four hour shifts to facilitate this powerful ministry. Each year, in the past, at least 30 people have accepted Christ at the tent. If you would like more information, contact:
Allan Lane, 816-261-6831.

Youth Camp...

June 27-July 1

Please be in prayer for the youth and camp leaders who will be involved at Grand Oaks Camp this summer. They leave tomorrow and will return Friday. Those going from Calvary are:

Allan Lane Don Beavers

Sharon Waters Daniel Waters

Joey Maddox

Movie Event
First Baptist Church
Savannah, MO

Nail 32

July 30 at 6:00 pm

...with special appearance by Executive Director and Producer Dean Haskins.

For the Record

Attendance: June 19, 2016

Sunday School.....41
Visitors..... 2
Total.....43
Contacts Made..... 5
Morning Worship..... 53
Children's Worship..... N/A
Sunday NightN/A
Wednesday NightN/A

Financial Record:

Weekly Budget..... \$ 2,040.52
Offering Received... \$ 1,053.97

Offering Received by Mail:

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July Counting Team:

Fred Kerns and Jordan Lane

July Van Driver:

George Burgess
Call 232-3747 **before 8 am**

July Member Birthdays:

02... Mary Sharp
05... Kathryn Beavers
07... Kelsey Lane
10... Tina Hoover
15... Bill Schottel
17... Betty Anslinger
20... Dorothy Post
23... Flora McKahan
24... Allan Lane
26... Jack Conard
26... Annette Schottel
30... Bill Haskins

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July Anniversaries

Don and Mary Sharp

July 3, 1970

Gary and Sharon Yarbrough

July 8, 1978

Don and Marcia Hart

July 15, 1973

Larry and Flora McKahan

July 29, 1966

Prayer Requests ...

Tim Izer and Family

Sue Higgins—regain strength

Jim Winans, surgery recovery

Alicia McKinnon

Linda Raines, breast cancer

Dakota Duty, recovery

Robbie Hutcherson, Loleta's son

Lisa Bowers—Jack and Flo's daughter

Nellie Reynolds—recovery

Youth and Children's Camps

Loleta Middleton—strength

Pat Puckett—Daughter, Son-in-law

Maxine and George Ferbert—strength

Buddy Means—Mary Sharp's nephew

Ellen Blanton and Lois Ulmer—

Elvera's daughter & daughter-in-law

Stella Davis and Linda Rails—Doris

Richardson's sisters

Henrietta Caballero—Brigida's Sister

Austin Chalfant—Abby's nephew

Gary and Marilyn Singleton—health

Audrey Dugan Bob Barquist

Kathryn Beavers Ann Riddle

Louanne Laurence Keon McKahan

Jozy Winans Leona Reynolds

Kevin Duty Kenny Duty

Madeline Swink Bobby Griswold

Bill Haskins Debbie Sands

Brenda Burgess Judy Anderson

Carolyn Houts Roscoe Lane

Missionaries Don and Diane Combs

Nickolay Nazaruk, Peski 2 Church

David and Deborah Grace

Jeanette Swackhamer—Beja People

Our Nation and Leaders

Our Military Service people

Today's Prayer Requests ...

Our Nation and our Leaders ...

Five More New Families...
