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Our Theme for 2022...
“Being Imitators of Christ”

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IT'S JUST THAT SIMPLE

Welcome!

If you're visiting with us today, we want you to feel welcome and we want you to feel like our honored guest! We also want you to know that all we're interested in here at the Clarksville Church of Christ is the Truth. Jesus said, "You shall know the truth, and the truth shall make you free." John 8:32. The truth He's talking about is God's word. Jesus said, "Sanctify them by thy truth, Thy word is truth." John 17:17. Therefore we hope you'll appreciate that we'll give you book, chapter and verse from the Bible, the word of God, for everything that we say or do here today, so that everything that we do may bring glory unto God, I Pet. 4:11.

I. Great People have trials too.

- a. Naaman 2 Kings 5:1
- b. Paul 2 Cor 12:7-10

II. The lowliest of people can change your life

- a. Slave girl 2 Kings 5:2-3
- b. Jesus Matthew 13:54-56

III. Reputation Matters

- a. Prophet of GOD 2 Kings 5:4-5
- b. Good name Ecclesiastes 7:1-3

IV. What's your expectations?

- a. The medical bill is going to be high. 2 Kings 5:5
- b. Jesus has paid the price Hebrews 10:12

V. It's not about you.

- a. King Jehoram 2 Kings 5:6-7
- b. Jews and Pharisees Matt 23:12-14

VI. Simple Instructions can save your life

- a. "Go Wash" 2 Kings 5:7-10
- b. "Repent, and each of you be baptized" Acts 2:38

VII. What answer are you looking for?

- a. Naaman 2 Kings 5:11-12
- b. You?

VIII. We must humble ourselves and follow the most simple of instructions

- a. Naaman followed Elisha's instructions 2 Kings 5:13-14
- b. 3000 followed Peter's instructions Acts 2:41

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WHERE ARE THE OTHER NINE?

- I. **What is plaguing your life?**
 - a. Leprosy Luke 17:11-12
 - b. Sin Romans 5:11-13, Romans 6:23
- II. **Who are you surrounding yourself with?**
 - a. 10 men who have leprosy Luke 17: 12
 - b. Your friends 1 Corinthians 15:33, Acts 4:36
- III. **Are you on the outside looking in?**
 - a. "They stood at a distance" Luke 17:12
 - b. "Come to me" Matthew 11:28
- IV. **Who do you call on?**
 - a. 10 Lepers called on Jesus Luke 17:13
 - b. You need to call on Jesus Matthew 7:11
- V. **We must follow our instructions to get results**
 - a. "They went" Luke 17:14
 - b. We must follow our instructions John 14:15
- VI. **Cherish what you have been given**
 - a. 1 was 5 – Luke 17:15-16
 - b. Give thanks! 1 Thessalonians 5:17-19
- VII. **Healing and Cleansing are for all**
 - a. Samaritan Luke 17:16
 - b. You? Titus 2:11
- VIII. **Where is your faith?**
 - a. The 1 praised and thanked GOD Luke 17:16-19
 - b. Faith without works is dead James 2:14-26

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Goals For 2022
Theme
Be Ye Imitators of Christ
Attendance: Sunday Bible Study: 40:
Sunday AM: 50
Sunday PM: 40: Wednesday Bible Study: 30

Giving: Meet Our Yearly Budget

Invitations: 130

Every Member Committed To Daily Bible Reading

Every Member Committed To Daily Prayer

Every Member Committed To Be At Every Service

Support the Work in Vincennes, Indiana
Hold A Men's Training Class

Hold One Gospel Meeting

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is preaching today

We are now in week #10 of our Daily Bible Reading.

Prayer List
 Lynn Maudlin, Mark Maudlin
 Sharon Nale, Polly Ward
 Les & Novema Dunn
 Debby Spears (Roseann's sis)
 Sharon Thompson, Kay Thompson
 The Wards & Beth McFarland
 Brooke Thomas, Pam Caudill
 Debbie Lewellen, Cathie Hall

THIS MONTH:
"Humble"

Matt. 11:29; Phil 2:5-8; 1 Pet.5:5-8

Who Have You Invited To Services This week?

Lord's Supper Reading
 Luke 22:14-20

Scripture Reading
 AM: 2 Kings 5:1-14
 PM: Luke 17:11-19

Encouragement Tally
 Invites this month:
 Invites last month:
 Visitors YTD: 3

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The Humble Heart of the Seeker

"The wicked in his proud countenance does not seek God; God is in none of his thoughts" (Psalm 10:4).

IF THERE IS ONE QUALITY THAT IS MORE NEEDFUL THAN ANY OTHER FOR SEEKING GOD, IT IS THE QUALITY OF HUMILITY. Pride is the power that lured us away from God in the first place, and it is the power that will, if we let it, keep us from returning to Him. If God must be dealt with on His terms, then proud people simply will not deal with God. "The wicked in his proud countenance does not seek God; God is in none of his thoughts."

Pride keeps us from enjoying so many good things, it is a pity we don't reject it any more decisively than we do. It is a heavy, soul-wearying bag of rocks we drag around with us wherever we go. Rather than seeing humility as an unpleasant burden we must somehow learn to bear, we'd do better to see pride as an unnecessary burden we need not bear any longer. Those who have finally let go of their pride always report enjoying such a sense of freedom that they wish they'd made the decision sooner. We pay a high price for holding on to our ego.

Pride can be so subtle, however, that we may not see how much we have been affected by it. Few of us see ourselves as being "proud" people. And yet few of us are as humble as we need to be in our seeking of God. The deep changes that have to be made in our hearts require that we adopt a more receptive, teachable attitude than we've had up to now. Whether we call it by its right name or not, it's pride that prevents our repentance.

God is always appealing to us to lay down our prideful rebellion and come back home to Him. But while we may see some of the good that would come from doing that, we don't find it an easy thing to do. Reconciliation to God is appealing, but if it means having to humble ourselves, we're reluctant to go that far. It may have been a long time since we deferred to God on any question that really mattered to us, and the thought of openly admitting how poorly we've lived our lives is embarrassing, to say the least. Pride dies a hard death.

"Not irreverently we may say that God has no easy time of it to smash the bridgeheads of our clever self-sufficiency, to break down the fortified walls of our self-defenses, and capture the inner stronghold of our pride" (Paul Stromberg Rees).

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