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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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Mark Maudlin
is preaching today

We are now in week #20 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
 Gene Ward & Beth McFarland
 Brooke Thomas, Pam Caudill
 Debbie Lewellen, Cathie Hall

THIS MONTH:
"Sought the Lost"
 Lk. 19:10; Gal. 6:1; Matt. 28:19-20

Who Have You Invited To Services This week?

Lord's Supper
 1 Cor. 11:17-26

Scripture Reading
 AM: Luke 19:1-10
 PM: Ex. 14:15-22

Encouragement Tally
 Invites this month: 0
 Invites last month: 24
 Visitors YTD: 6

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JESUS SOUGHT OUT THE LOST

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.

Luke 19:1-10

He showed us the value of each soul
 Matthew 16:24-27
 Matthew 18:10-14
 John 4:27-36
 Matthew 23:37-39

Examples He left for us how to seek the lost
 Nicodemus
 John 3:1-8

Matthew and the Tax Collectors
 Mark 2:13-17

Zacchaeus
 Luke 19:1-10

Parable of the Good Samaritan
 Luke 10:25-37

Samaritan Woman at the Well
 John 4:5-14

Mark Maudlin

Go Forward!

Reading: Exodus 14:15

Those Who Went Forward

Abraham

Gen. 12:1-9

David

1 Samuel 17:42-50

Joshua & Caleb

Numbers 13:26-33

Numbers 14:6-9

Paul

Phillipians 3:12-16

2 Corinthians 4:7-13

1 Corinthians 9:24-27

Those Who Didn't Go Forward

One Talent Man

Matthew 25:14-30

Church at Laodicea

Revelation 3:14-19

How do We Keep Moving Forward

Romans 8:23-31

Ephesians 6:10-17

Hebrews 11:13-16

2 Timothy 3:12-15

Phillipians 4:10-13

Mark Maudlin

Bondage to Self

“But if you have bitter envy and self-seeking in your hearts, do not boast and lie against the truth. This wisdom does not descend from above, but is earthly, sensual, demonic. For where envy and self-seeking exist, confusion and every evil thing are there” (James 3:14-16).

AS OUR LIVES UNFOLD, WE WILL EITHER ENJOY THE FREEDOM OF SEEKING GOD OR SUFFER FROM THE CONSEQUENCES OF SEEKING OURSELVES. There is no in-between. We will either long to please our Creator or demand to please ourselves. And if we choose to make self our primary concern, the farther down that road we travel, the more that choice will bind us and enslave us. We are never less free than when we declare our independence from God.

James tells us that self-seeking is a hellish thing. It engenders strife, and the wisdom that recommends this choice “does not descend from above, but is earthly, sensual, demonic.” Satan’s murderous lie has always been that we can do whatever we want, regardless of anything God may have said, and no harmful consequences will come. In fact, he insinuates that seeking our own will is the only way we can be free (Genesis 3:1-6).

But even while our enemy is urging us in this direction, he is preparing the chains that will bind us. And once we’ve disregarded the wise, life-protecting will of our God, we begin almost immediately to realize how little freedom there is in our self-centered demands. The farther we go without turning back, the more our choices begin to feel like compulsions, and the less hope we have of ever knowing freedom again. If we maintain any honesty about ourselves at all, the time will come when we understand the desperate cry of Paul: “O wretched man that I am! Who will deliver me from this body of death?” (Romans 7:24). The desire to be free from our self-will should be one of our most powerful motivations.

But if we hope to be free, we must be honest about where we are. Even if we’re seeking God right now, our seeking may be more about what we want than about what He wants. There are few of us who don’t need to repent of that.

Sever me from myself that I may be grateful to you;
May I perish to myself that I may be safe in you;
May I die to myself that I may live in you;
May I wither to myself that I may blossom in you;
May I be emptied of myself that I may abound in you;
May I be nothing to myself that I may be all to you.
(Desiderius Erasmus)

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