

THE ART OF MARRIAGE

It is never being too old to hold hands.

It is remembering to say "I love you"
at least once each day.

It is never going to sleep angry.

It is having a mutual sense of values and
common objective.

It is standing facing the world.

It is forming a circle of love that gathers
in the whole family.

It is speaking words of appreciation and
demonstrating gratitude in thoughtful ways.

It is having the capacity to forgive
and forget.

It is giving each other an atmosphere
in which each can grow.

It is a common search for the good
and the beautiful.

It is not only marrying the right person,
It is being the right partner.

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*"And I say to you, whoever divorces his wife,
except for sexual immorality, and marries another,
commits adultery; and whoever marries her who is
divorced commits adultery."*

Matthew 19:9

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SUN: 9:00am - Worship

10:15am - Bible Study

6:00pm - Worship

WED: 7:00pm - Bible Study

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CARL'S THOUGHTS:

Winter has finally come to us. It has been so cold and so many of us have not been able to come to worship. Can't wait until all of us can be together as the body of Christ. We were blessed this week as Brandon Long obeyed our Lord by putting Him on in baptism for remission of his sins. Brandon is truly a dedicated young man and should be a great asset to the Lord's church at Main Street. We hope that all will encourage him in his walk with our God.

So many of you are participating in our reading program. If you aren't, please join us. It will literally bless your life in so many ways.

We read in Acts 4:36 that Barnabas means "The son of consolation". That means that Barnabas was truly an encourager. Are we being an "encourager" or a discourager". Help us to always be a positive influence on others.

Keep your eye on the cross of Jesus Christ!

Wednesday January 13, 2010

FOR THE RECORD

Morning Worship: (Jan. 10)	207
Bible Study.....	160
Evening Worship.....	116
Midweek Bible Study:(Jan 6).....	145
Contribution: (Jan. 10)	\$5,638

AT HOME

Bea Farrar, Clara West, Dessie Taylor, Charles & Margaret Berry, Fairy Johnson, Beverly Vanover, Kenneth Poff, Ann Threet, Lauren Gregory, Diane Brickey, Chuck Henegar

SYMPATHY

Our sympathy is extended to the family of Sally Fuller whose funeral was Saturday at the McMinnville Funeral Home. She was the sister of Vance McMahan.

Our sympathy is extended to the family of Inez Jones whose funeral will be Thursday, Jan. 14th @ 11:00am @ the Manchester Funeral Home. Inez was a member here but has lived in Nashville for the last several years. She was the mother of Ginger Hinners.

WEDNESDAY NIGHT MEAL

The menu for next Wednesday, Jan. 20th is Chili, Cheese, Crackers, Drink & Dessert. Remember to make your reservations by signing the list in foyer by Sunday, Jan 17th. This is for any member and the cost is: **\$3.00 per person**. There is a special rate for families.

READ THE NEW TESTAMENT THRU:

Alan Bailey, Bea Farrar, Patsy Sims

CARE TEAMS SHUFFLE

The Care Teams Shuffle scheduled for Jan. 9th has been rescheduled for Friday Jan. 15th at 6:00pm in the fellowship hall. Please bring finger foods. If you are not on a Care Team but would like to attend and enjoy the fellowship, you are welcome.

PANTRY ITEMS

Green Beans, Dry Pinto Beans, Tuna

KINGWOOD ARMS BOARD

The Kingwood Arms Board will meet Sunday, January 17th @ 4:30pm.

MEN TO SERVE

THOSE TO SERVE, SUN. JAN. 17:

9:00AM

Song Leader: Tim Brown
First Prayer: Wayne Rigney
Scripture: Roger Taylor
Closing Prayer: Andy Owensby

6:00PM

Song Leader: Tim Brown
First Prayer: Bill Hollins
Scripture: Roger Taylor
Closing Prayer: Carl Russell

SERMON TITLES:

A.M.: "Changeless Christ" (Hebrews 13:7-14)
P.M.: "In His Steps" (I Peter 2:19-25)

PICK-UP ATTENDANCE CARDS, SUN. JAN 17:

Clayton Rowe, Andrew Green

NURSERY ATTENDANTS, SUN. JAN. 17:

Ella Livingston & Penny Barnes

THOSE TO SERVE, WED. JAN 20:

Devotional: Carl Sims
Announcements: Scott Vaughn
Opening Prayer: Don Gregory
Closing Prayer: Bill Hollins
Song Leader: Pierce Green

If you are unable to serve at the scheduled time, please contact Brother Rigney @ 728-7716.

BAPTISMS

The angels in heaven rejoiced over the baptism of Brandon Long on Thursday. Brandon lives at 1276 Fredonia Rd., Phone: 808-7470, M3/18. He is the grandson of Jim & Peggy Thompson.

Also, the baptism of Maranda Stacey on Monday. She lives at 3686 16th Model

Rd..Phone: 952-0570. F12/5

Quaid Smith was also baptized on Monday. He lives at 1807 Sainville Rd. Phone: 581-9667. M10/8. He is the husband of Regina Smith and son-in-law of Malinda Taylor.

KNOW YOUR BIBLE MEMORIALS

In Memory of Ewell "Vic" Vigdorth

From: Jerry & Martha Armstrong
Billy & Pat Freeze

BIBLE CORRESPONDENCE

Lessons Graded (1/6-1/12).....	1,602
Requests For Personal Contact.....	4
Students served.....	641

STUDENT COMMENTS

These lessons have really been a revealing process to me. Thanks for the good work. (Register, GA)



My family and I would like to express our appreciation for the lovely floral arrangement, cards, thoughts and prayers in the recent loss of our brother, Bill Ferrell. Your kindness will always be cherished.

Linda Mullins & family

Thank you for the food. It was greatly appreciated. Also for the lovely chapel that was sent.

The family of Jennie Adams

My thanks to everyone for being so encouraging to me during the holidays. It meant so much to me. Diane Brickey

THERE IS A WAY THAT SEEMS RIGHT

There is a way that seems right to a man, but its end is the way of death. (Proverbs 14:12)

So many times in our lives we choose a way or path that isn't God approved. We do this because it "seems" or "feels" right. This can be very damaging, spiritually speaking, to ourselves and others. How would any of us know what is right or wrong without consulting God and His word first? Peter so often went down a path of his own choosing, before coming to his senses. But, he made a very profound and wise statement when answering Jesus about leaving Him. (John 6:68) "But Simon Peter answered Him, 'Lord, to whom shall we go? You have the words of life'"

We need to ask ourselves this when facing tough situations. Will we go with what is popular? Will we go with our "feelings"? We must turn to the Lord and His word. Many decisions have a consequence not only for us but for others around us. What would Jesus do? That is a valid question when we are in a decision making process. Will our actions be hurtful to others while trying to satisfy ourselves? What are our motives as we decide the ways or paths we will take? Matthew 7:12 (Golden Rule) should be considered when decisions we make involve other people.

Of course, we are not talking about decisions about buying homes or cars. We're talking about decisions we make while interacting with others. Actions we take and words we say must be measured against the good of all. When dealing with our brethren, we must act carefully and speak with love. Our actions should be thought out./ Paul makes a wonderful, logical, and Christ like statement: (Philippians 2:3) "Let nothing be done through selfish ambition or conceit, but in lowliness of mind let each esteem others better than himself."

Let us always seek a way that is right, and not one that "seems" right. The footsteps of Jesus will never lead us astray. Look to the Master for what we should do and the correct attitude that we should possess. Our spiritual future and possibly that of others hangs in the balance.

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