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December 15, 2024

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WEDNESDAY EVENING December 18, 2024

SONG LEADER:	Rod Wilson
PRAYER:	Glen Elliott
DEVOTIONAL:	Kevin Blair

*Please contact Jackie Horton, if you are unable to serve.

	SUNDAY:			
BIBLE CLASS		9:30 a.m.		
WORSHIP		10:30 a.m.		
EVENING		5:00 p.m.		
*LAST SUNDAY	OF THE MONTH	I 1:00 p.m.		
WEDNESDAY:				
BIBLE STUDY		7:00 p.m.		
1st & 3rd TUESDAYS:				
SENIOR MINISTRY CLASS		10:30 a.m.		
2nd & 4th TUESDAYS:				
LADIES BIBLE CLASS		10:30 a.m.		
2nd Thursday of each month:				
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MESSAGING CHRIST

In his book, <u>Facing Leviathan</u>, Mark Sayers discusses some of the hidden dangers associated with modern-day social media. He warns that, in our efforts to build a platform and maximize our influence, we sometimes "forget that we are communicating the gospel" rather than "broadcasting ourselves."

We want the world to think well of us. Jesus requires a good example. We are "the light of the world" (Mt. 5:14). We are not to hide our light; but let it shine (Mt. 5:16). But, there is a difference between "shining our light" and "letting it shine." Ours is a reflected light. Jesus is "the light of the world" (Jn. 8:12). We allow Him to shine through us as we follow Him in humble obedience. We shine "as lights in the world" as we "hold fast the word of life" (Ph. 2:15-16 cf. Ps. 119:105).

Our message is summed up in a single word, Christ. He must have "first place in everything" (Col. 1:18). We would do well to imitate the example of Paul who said, "I determined to know nothing among you except Jesus Christ, and Him crucified" (1 Cor. 2:2). Again, in 2 Corinthians 4:5, he says, "we do not preach ourselves but Christ Jesus as Lord, and ourselves as bond-servants for Jesus' sake." We are receptacles of His light, not promoters of our own. He goes on to say, "For God, who said, 'Light shall shine out of darkness,' is the One who has shone in our hearts to give the Light of the knowledge of the glory of God in the face of Christ. But we have this treasure in earthen vessels, so that the surpassing greatness of the power will be of God and not from ourselves…" (vss. 6-7).

Don't get caught up in the frenzy of self-promotion. Solomon warned his son, saying, "Let another praise you, and not your own mouth; A stranger and not your own lips" (Prov. 27:2). In this regard, Mark Sayers asks two penetrating questions: "Would we be willing to believe that God chooses how far and wide our influence goes?" and "Are we happy to allow God to be our PR agent even if it is means a life of unrecognized service?"

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Prayer Requests

*Luther Cummings received a good report from his cancer doctor.

*Continue to keep Reba Warnock; Bob Gossett; Charlene Parish; Ginger Beene; Margaret Adams; Larry Ward; Mike Seger; Charlene Parish's friend, Lou; Donna Beck; Jim Bell's friend, Hugh; Ginger Beene's friend, Marilyn; Nora Smith; Luther Cummings; Jason Elliott; Robin Linn's nephew, Steven; Patricia Clements' niece, Terrie; Bobby Vaught; Dorothy Tatum; Patsy Story; Melba Sharp; Dave & Janet Rhyne; Shelly Carter's dad, Jack Horton; and Terri Massa in your prayers.



UPCOMING EVENTS:

DECEMBER 16th - Holiday Box delivery to the schools. If you can help, meet at Walmart at 8am. For questions, see Rick Camp.

DECEMBER 17th - Senior Adult Ministry Class will meet at 10:30am in the Outreach Center. Bill Davidson will be the speaker. There will be no fellowship meal.

DECEMBER 29th - Last Sunday of the month: we will have a fellowship meal after morning worship followed by a 1pm afternoon service. No 5pm service.

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We are ill-equipped to venture beyond an educated guess regarding the motives of those bent on a course of self-promotion. But, there is enough evidence that certain aspects of social media can promote a selfabsorbed and self-centered life that we must take steps to guard ourselves against it and make sure that Christ is the constant focus of our lives and that He is the One we promote in our daily lives (Ph. 1:21; Gal. 2:20).



--Glen Elliott--

BIBLE QUIZ: Matthew 4:12-17

- 1. "Now when Jesus heard that John had been put in ___, He departed to ___."
- 2. After Jesus left Nazareth, He dwelt in ___.
- 3. Capernaum is in the regions of ___ and ___.
- 4. ____ is the prophet who prophesied that the Gentiles would see a great light.
- 5. "From that time Jesus began to preach and to say, '___, for the ___ of heaven is at hand.""

Answers to last week's quiz: Jesus, Spirit, devil; forty; tempter, bread; written, tempt; Satan, worship, serve