

Acts 17:30

30 *God overlooked people's ignorance* about these things in earlier times, but now he commands everyone everywhere to repent of their sins and turn to him.

Jeremiah 10:23

23 I know, O LORD, that a man's way is not in himself, Nor is it in a man who walks to direct his steps.

Proverbs 14:12

12 There is a way *which seems* right to a man, But its end is the way of death.

Matthew 6:19-21

19 "Do not store up for yourselves treasures on earth, where moth and rust destroy, and where thieves break in and steal.

20 But store up for yourselves treasures in heaven, where neither moth nor rust destroys, and where thieves do not break in or steal;

21 for where your treasure is, there your heart will be also.

Reference 2 Peter 1:3

2 Corinthians 10:5

Judges 17:6



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WELCOME

We would like to take this time and welcome you here to services at University. Whether you're a long time member or just starting to see what we are all about we are so glad you are committed to find out more about your walk with Him. If you are visiting with us today we are so glad you have come our way and would invite you back the next time you are able. We would also ask if you would be able to remain after services a brief moment so we might get the chance of meeting and greeting you in person. Again thank you and Welcome.

Looking for a church home? Want to set up a group or personal bible study. Need some kind of assistance or know of someone who does please take the time to meet with us we would love to know how we may serve you in some way. Please take the time to pick up some invitation cards and mail outs it's a great way to send out the message to who we are and that we are here.

A great resource is our video library if you haven't signed up yet its free and easy to use and you will have instant access. If you have questions or would like to know more about it. Please just ask us we would love to share how you can use this in your daily life.

A couple of weeks ago I asked the question what motivates you? And what keeps you motivated? I may have got a little ahead of myself with today's lesson I will call "First things First. Really in order to not want to do this great evil and sin against God as Joseph put it we must know what that is and see it as God sees it in order for us to be more successful in His plan. I must hate what God hates. See sin as God sees sin. Do we know what all that is? Do we care to know? Today lets examine where we are so we can be like Joseph and the example he has set before us. Reminder that scriptures used in today's sermon is found on the back.

Worship And Study Opportunities

Sunday:
Bible School.....9:30 A.M
Worship.....10:30 A.M
Evening Worship....6:00 P.M

Wednesday:
Ladies Bible Class.....10:30 A.M.
Mid-Week Bible Class....7:00 P.M.

ELDER OF THE MONTH:.....Charles Kelsey

ANNOUNCEMENTS:.....David Byrd

RECORDS OF THE WEEK

Bible School:	39
Morning Worship:	62
Evening Worship:	37
Mid-Week:	31
Ladies Class:	11
Contribution:	\$4,267.00
Weekly Budget:	\$3,909.00

THOSE WHO SERVE:

Sunday Morning:

Opening Prayer:Bryan Cain
Closing Prayer:Greg Ray

Sunday Evening:

Opening Prayer:Weldon Flanagan

Wednesday Evening:

Opening Prayer:James Brennan

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If you would like to see a past sermon you can go to our web site and click on the weekly sermons tab.

PRAYERS REQUESTED FOR THE FOL-

LOWING: Leroy and Pat, LaDonna is having trouble with her high blood pressure. Sue Peddy had to have a shot in her eye Tuesday and has a doctors appointment today, Wednesday. Sue's daughter Beckie is having a MRI today for her back pain, Brenda Golson is in bed with severe back pain and cannot walk. Bryan Cain had surgery last week to remove a rod & screws in his back. Debbie Bowden is having a lot of back pain and can not sleep at night. Kathy Allbritton fell and cracked her knee cap. Please keep Dala Melton in your prayers. She will be meeting with the cancer doctor to see when she will be starting treatments. Remember all the ones on our continued prayer list.

OCTOBER BIRTHDAYS

- 10 - Earline Gregory
- 11 - Mary Coffey
- 17 - J.L. Bolton
- 20 - Weldon Flanagan
- 23 - Jeannie Montague
- 23 - Shirley Sharum
- 26 - Jean Parrish
- 28 - Cindy Byrd
- 30 - Karee Curtis
- 30 - Teri Lee

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Thoughts to Ponder
Greet each one you meet
With cheer and kindness.

Don't neglect the little things.
Sometimes what seems trivial to us
Is important to others.

Look for the good in all situations,

Happiness begins with finding joy
In common things.

The door to the human heart can be opened
Only from the inside

THE WESTVIEW BOYS' HOME grocery truck will be here the week of December 5th, 2016.

Needed items for the boys are:

Shopping List

- Cookies
- Beef Jerky
- 100% Juice
- Candy Bars
- Flour Tortillas
- Chocolate Chips
- Summer Sausage
- Almonds/Cashews
- Twinkies/Hostess Items
- Potato/Tortilla Chips & Fritos
- Family Size Gallon Size Tea Bags

Non-Food

- Pledge
- 9-Volt/AAA Batteries
- Men's Ankle/Tube Socks
- Men's Boxers: S, M, L, X-Large

CONTINUED PRAYER LIST: Roy Bennett, J.L. & Claudine Bolton, Barbara Bolton, Debbie Bowden, Tim, Karee & Clay Curtis, Kenneth Gregory, Kaiden Higgins, Leroy & Pat Horn, Brad & LaDonna McKinzie, Letha Owens, Jean Parrish, Sue Peddy, Kenny Richardson, Velma Shook, Dwaine Zacharias, David Byrd's father, Bryan Cain's father, Johnny Burch, Randy Hill.

EXTENDED CARE:

Kenneth Gregory is in Willow Park in room 2 C.

Joyce Ray is in Cedar Crest in room 106.

Jack Treffinger is in McMahan in room A82B

In Case You Missed It

Hosea 10:12 Sow to yourselves in righteousness, reap in mercy; break up your fallow ground: for it is time to seek the LORD, till he come and rain righteousness upon you.

“Break up your fallow ground.” The Lord is referring to breaking up the ground overrun with weeds and thorns creating a hardness to produce righteous fruit. A hard heart cannot love, and often cannot even receive it. A hard heart will block relationship with God and with others. Whatever the cause; anger, bitterness, resentment, unforgiveness, the result will be an inability to empathize, and a corruption of your motivations. You will become proud and unresponsive. God's message, His word to you will be difficult to hear and you will resist it. Like a layer of rock under the shallow soil, where the rain cannot penetrate, love and truth will fail to penetrate your heart and affect your actions. Thus, a hard heart is deadly, because sin is petrified there. How do you break up fallow ground? How do you change a hardened heart? You start with your will. You make a choice. You decide. Your decision is to soften, in spite of the way you feel, the things you remember, or have chosen to forget. Your decision is called “repentance,” a changing of the mind, a turning of the will, in the opposite direction. The power of the will to repent is astounding because it opens the door for God to heal and transform your heart; to rain His love upon you and remove bitterness, unforgiveness, anger, and hatred or any other sin that is hardening your heart. Do you want to love? Do you want to be loved? But your heart is hard? Try forgiveness and repentance. God's power will heal and change you. Repentance will open you to the rain of tears so that the pain and bitterness can pour out of you. But you will be amazed at what happens with your relationships. Love will enter and remain in your life; God's love and love with others too. Millions have tried it; repentance works. Make it a lifestyle that along with forgiveness and you will live and walk in love.