

Matthew 11:2-6

- 2 Now when John, while imprisoned, heard of the works of Christ, he sent *word* by his disciples
- 3 and said to Him, "Are You The Expected One, or shall we look for someone else?"
- 4 Jesus answered and said to them, "Go and report to John what you hear and see;
- 5 *the blind receive sight and the lame walk, the lepers are cleansed and the deaf hear, the dead are raised up, and the poor have the gospel preached to them.*
- 6 And blessed is he who does not take offense at Me."

Matthew 11:7-15

- 7 As these men were going *away*, Jesus began to speak to the crowds about John, "What did you go out into the wilderness to see? A reed shaken by the wind?
- 8 But what did you go out to see? A man dressed in soft *clothing*? Those who wear soft *clothing* are in kings' palaces!
- 9 But what did you go out to see? A prophet? Yes, I tell you, and one who is more than a prophet.
- 10 This is the one about whom it is written. Behold, I send My messenger ahead of You, Who will prepare Your way before You.'
- 11 Truly I say to you, among those born of women there has not arisen *anyone* greater than John the Baptist! Yet the one who is least in the kingdom of heaven is greater than he.
- 12 From the days of John the Baptist until now the kingdom of heaven suffers violence, and violent men Take it by force.
- 13 For all the prophets and the Law prophesied until John.
- 14 And if you are willing to accept *it*, John himself is Elijah who was to come.
- 15 He who has ears to hear, let him hear.

2 Samuel 12:15-23

- 15 Then the Lord struck the child that Uriah's widow bore to David, so that he was *very* sick.
- 16 David therefore inquired of God for the child; and David fasted and went and lay all night on the ground.
- 17 The elders of his household stood beside him in order to raise him up from the ground, but he was unwilling and would not eat food with them.
- 18 Then it happened on the seventh day that the child died. And the servants of David were afraid to tell him that the child was dead, for they said, "Behold, while the child was *still* alive, we spoke to him and he did not listen to our voice. How then can we tell him that the child is dead, since he might do *himself* harm!"
- 19 But when David saw that his servants were whispering together, David perceived that the child was dead, so David said to his servants, "Is the child dead?" And they said, "He is dead."
- 20 So David arose from the ground, washed, anointed *himself*, and changed his clothes; and he came into the house of the Lord and worshiped. Then he came to his own house, and when he requested, they set food before him and he ate.
- 21 Then his servants said to him, "What is this thing that you have done? While the child was alive, you fasted and wept, but when the child died, you arose and ate food."
- 22 He said, "While the child was *still* alive, I fasted and wept; for I said, 'Who knows, the Lord may be gracious to me, that the child may live.'
- 23 but now he has died; why should I fast? Can I bring him back again? I will go to him, but he will not return to me."

Reference Joseph, Job, Ecclesiastes 12:13

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WELCOME

We want to welcome you to services today here at University. If you are visiting we invite you back the next time you are able and would ask if you would remain after services a brief moment so we might get the chance of meeting you and welcoming you here in person. Again WELCOME!

If you are looking for a church home we would love to sit down and visit with you about it. Want to set up a group or personal bible study? Have a need or know of someone who does? Please take the time to meet with us we would love to know how we may serve you.

Download our free app by searching ucoclawton in the app store. A reminder please take some mail out postcards and invitation cards we have for you to hand out to those you may come in contact with. Invite some to worship next time.

Our hearts are all saddened by the loss of our brother and elder Brad McKinzie this past week. He had been serving as first a deacon here and currently as one of our elders, a position he had been serving for the past 20 years. He had a great influence on the work here and will be missed. Our thoughts and prayers go out to Ladonna and the rest of the family at this time.

We have all heard "nothing will stand in my way." It's a great motivation to let nothing get in our way when it comes to something. But how about that when it comes to your relationship with God? Even Jesus said there would be a blessing for those who do not fall away on account of Him. We all can let other things get in the way can't we? The answer is yes. Today we test ourselves to see where God ranks in our lives individually. Reminder that scriptures used in today's sermon can be found on the back.

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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:.....Eric Sharum

ANNOUNCEMENTS:.....Weldon Flanagan

RECORDS OF THE WEEK

Bible School:	48
Morning Worship:	79
Evening Worship:	25
Mid-Week:	27
Ladies Class:	
Contribution:	\$4,379.00
Weekly Budget:	\$3,750.00

THOSE WHO SERVE:

Sunday Morning:

Opening Prayer:Bryan Cain

Closing Prayer:Tim Curtis

Sunday Evening:

Opening Prayer:Tommy Bowden

Wednesday Evening:

Opening Prayer:Joshua Sharum

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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.

REMEMBER IN PRAYER: Dana Parrish has asked for prayers for her father who is having complications from medicine he was taking.

Luz Ray has asked for prayers for her sister who is ill in Columbia.

SYMPATHY: We extend our deepest sympathy to LaDonna, Denise and Shawn and all their family in the death of Brad on Sunday. Brad's funeral will be this Friday, November 17th, at 2:00 p.m. here at the University Church.

THANK YOU to everyone who has so generously helped to provide gifts for the Westview boys. Please have your wrapped and tagged gift at the SLC or main building by Sunday, December 3rd. If you would still like to help, please see the list of needed items. All donations are greatly appreciated.

NOVEMBER BIRTHDAYS

21 - Tommy Bowden

26 - Caleb Sharum

NOVEMBER CALENDAR

13 - MNFTM

23 - Thanksgiving

THE WESTVIEW BOYS' HOME grocery truck will be here the week of December 4th, 2017.

Needed items for the boys:

Cookies
 Pop Tarts
 Beef Jerky
 Candy Bars
 Flour Tortillas
 Assorted Chips
 32 oz. Whole Dill Pickles
 Nestle Quik/Chocolate Syrup
 Bottled Hidden Valley Ranch Dressing/French/Catalina Dressing

Non-Food

Liquid Cascade
 39 Gallon Trash Bags
 Men's Ankle/Tube Socks
 Toilet Bowl/Bathroom Cleaners
 Hanes Men's White Tank S, M, L
 Men's Black Dress Socks/Boxers S, M, L

CONTINUED PRAYER LIST: Roy Bennett, James & Barbara Bolton, Debbie Bowden, Kaiden Higgins, Leroy Horn, LaDonna McKinzie, Letha Owens, Jean Parrish, Sue Peddy, Kenny Richardson, Dwaine Zacharias, David Byrd's father, Bryan Cain's father, Johnny Burch, Lena Kelsey, Randy Hill, Kim Warren, Joyce Ray, Dala Melton, Teri Lynn Disney & Katrina Brennan.

EXTENDED CARE:

Jack Treffinger is in McMahon in room A 82 B

Joyce Ray is in Cedar Crest in room 106

In Case You Missed It

Proverbs 18:21 Death and life are in the power of the tongue: and they that love it shall eat the fruit thereof.

I don't think I have to remind you that we AS a people can do a lot of talking can't we. Some more than others. In general we talk a lot, don't we? But do we really say anything important? Let us consider some of the greatest words known to mankind. When you look at the Declaration of Independence -- it has 300 words. The Gettysburg Address -- 266. The Lord's Prayer -- 56 words. Jesus' words to us, in the great commission, "Go ye" - - only 2 words! On the other hand, the U.S. government issued an order setting the price of cabbage -- 26,911 words! We are also encouraged by James to be slow to speak. What happens when we do? We may take it and not just react. We may seek wiser words to say or use. How many times have we put our own foot in our mouth because we said something so hastily....James also says in James 3:2 we all stumble in many ways and if anyone says they don't stumble with what they say they are a perfect man. Let's try more to master our tongues with what we say. With it we can speak life, give a blessing, be critical AS well but also encouragement to all those around us, Just by our words. How much speaking have you done? Have you given God praise today? Have you shared that with someone else or can someone testify what other things you say? We will all be judged for what we say. So let our words be fewer and with more of what God wants us to say.