

Those Who Serve

	May 22	May 29
Opening Prayer	Kwesi Garvin	Charles Hall
Song Leader	Kwesi Garvin	Joe Burnsed
Communion	Joe Holloway	John Story
Assist	Charles Hall	Joe Holloway
Assist	Mike Powell	Olan Bacon
Dismiss Services	John Story	Olan Bacon



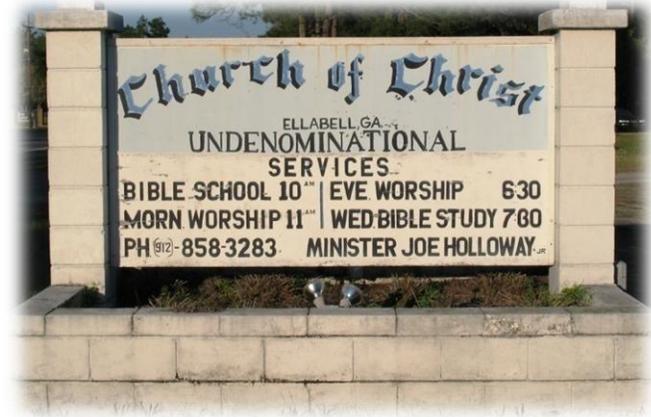
HE SEEMED TO HAVE FAILED TO RETAIN THEIR FULL ATTENTION, BUT AT LEAST HIS SERMON WOULD BE AVAILABLE LATER ON THEIR YOUTUBE, FLICKR, TWITTER, AND FACEBOOK ACCOUNTS

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Speaking Where The Bible Speaks; Silent Where The Bible Is Silent
 May 22, 2011

Helping Others – A Biblical Principle Mike Riley

A questioner asks, “Where does it say that we are to help others and expect nothing in return?”



Our Lord gives us the following biblical principle in regard to our helping others, “But love your enemies, and do good, and lend, expecting nothing in return; and your reward will be great, and you will be sons of the Most High; for

He Himself is kind to ungrateful and evil men” (Luke 6:35 – ESV).

Additionally, in Paul’s letter to the Galatian brethren (Gal. 6:9-10), Paul expands on the above principle when he states, “And let us not be weary in well doing; for in due season we shall reap, if we faint not. As we have therefore opportunity, let us do good unto all men, especially unto them who are of the household of faith.” A companion scripture to the above passage would be Proverbs 3:27: “Withhold not good from them to whom it is due, when it is in the power of thine hand to do it.” We are not to refuse exhibiting mercy and kindness to others when it is in our power to do it. The

extent of God's mercy and kindness toward us will be dependent upon our extending mercy and kindness toward others (James 2:13; cf. 1 Thessalonians 5:15).

In Acts 10:38 we read, "How God anointed Jesus of Nazareth with the Holy Ghost and with power: who went about doing good..." Jesus went about doing good to others; as His servants, we must follow His example (1 John 2:6). In Romans 12:18-21 (cf. Prov. 25:21-22), we learn that acts of kindness and benevolence can change people's hearts. Our demonstration of love toward people might result in their obedience to the gospel of Christ. The "coals" referred to in Romans 12:20, are pains of shame which kind treatment will produce. We have an Old Testament example in 1 Samuel 24:16-19.

ANNOUNCEMENTS

Save –Labels, Food Pantry Items, Change Jar, Cans, Medicine Bottles, & OTC Medicines

Calendar for May– on back pew

Social –today after morning services

Raintree Village Truck-coming in June, List of needs on back pew

Meetings – Next Sunday evening after evening services



The Final Judgment

by David Padfield

- All of the nations of the earth who have ever lived will be present (Matt. 25:32)
- The Word of God will be the standard of judgment --

not the creed books written by men (John 12:48)

- We will be judged on the basis of our deeds and not just our attitude (Rom. 2:6)
- No "warning signs" will be given prior to the return of Christ (Matt. 24:36)
- Christ will return at an unexpected time, during normal circumstances upon the earth (2 Pet. 3:10)

- When Christ returns "every eye shall see Him," not just the redeemed (Rev. 1:7)
- For some, it will be a day of unspeakable joy (Rev. 21:1-4)
- For others, it will be a day of horror (2 Thes. 1:6-8)
- When Christ returns He will deliver the kingdom back to His Father (1 Cor. 15:24)
- There is no passage in the Bible which states Christ will ever set foot on this earth again -- the Bible teaches that we will "meet the Lord in the air" (1 Thes. 4:17)
- Once Christ receives His own they will "always" be with Him, not just for a 1,000 years as some teach (1 Thes. 4:17)
- While we wait for the Lord to return we have the opportunity to repent (2 Pet. 3:10)
- There is no second chance for men to repent after death (Heb. 9:27)
- Take comfort in the thought of His return (1 Thes. 4:18)



'They might have warned us about the Guinness world record sermon attempt'