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By Dan Jenkins

Dad, Don't Kill My Donkey

What parent is there who has not thought about how to shape the spiritual life of a child to be spiritual? When we first hold that child, how can we not see just how precious they are? It is far more than any physical beauty that we see, and how can we ever forget deeper thoughts? They are so pure, so innocent and so naive about all that lies ahead.

You hold them and prayerfully ask God to help you mold and shape their lives. When you honestly look at yourself you feel inadequate. There are books to read, doctors to heal them, teachers to school them, sports coaches to help them excel in sports and computer programs to Google and find how to rear them physically, but where can you find how to mold and shape their lives?

You watch the child as he grows and wish there was a manual to give you all the answers about spiritually helping them grow. Wouldn't it be wonderful if there were a book entitled, "Seven Steps to Raising Godly Children," that would give you all answers with easy rules to just follow to do this? Think of how that would solve the problems you face! Where is that book? Where can you buy it?

There is such a book, but it is not one you can quickly read and find those seven easy steps. Early in that book, you

read these words, "You shall love the Lord your God with all your heart, with all your soul, and with all your strength. And these words which I command you today shall be in your heart. You shall teach them diligently to your children, and shall talk of them when you sit in your house, when you walk by the way, when you lie down, and when you rise up..." (Deut. 6:4-6). It begins with your relationship with God and your children watching you every day. They will soon see more than your actions. They will sense something so much deeper coming from your heart and your soul. It is not just actions but something far deeper. It is not just telling them the "rules" God has but attaching spiritual meaning to what He says and what you are doing.

The Jewish boy asked, "Why did you kill my baby donkey?" Do you know why?

Children who left Egypt then walked through the Red Sea, felt the ground tremble at Mt. Sinai and heard the voice of God speak from heaven. They were there in fact. Not just at that mountain but walking with Jesus in His life. We can walk with Jesus, not in fact but in faith, and faith is tied to talking about God whom they have heard so much about from infancy.

Next week, we will get specific about how to talk to children about the Bible. Read Exodus 13 and discover the answer to a Jewish boy who asked his father, "Why did you just kill that baby donkey by breaking its neck?" Knowing the answer to this will help you rear your child. More next week.



By David Sproule

Spiritual Growth: Add Godliness

As we grow in faith, discipline and endurance, Peter next instructs us to "add... to perseverance godliness" (2 Pet. 1:6). Godliness refers to a life that is centered on God—a reverent, devoted way of living that seeks to please Him in all things. The word carries the idea of a "God-ward attitude," where one's conduct flows from a deep respect for and devotion to the Lord. What a beautiful thought!

This is more than outward religious behavior. It is possible to appear godly while lacking true devotion. Scripture warns about those who have "a form of godliness but deny its power" (2 Tim. 3:5). Jesus also cautioned against practicing righteousness merely to be seen by others (Matt. 6:1; 23:5). True godliness is different. It is not about impressing people—it is about pleasing God.

Jesus perfectly demonstrated this attitude. He said, "I always do those things that please Him" (John 8:29). If we are to follow Christ, we must adopt that same desire. Godliness shapes not just what we do, but why we do it.

This quality is essential for several reasons. First, it is necessary to truly be a disciple of Christ. We cannot follow Christ while living for ourselves or seeking the approval of others (Gal. 1:10). Our aim must be to please God.

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Second, godliness is profitable in every way. Paul wrote that it holds promise for both the present life and the life to come (1 Tim. 4:7-8). It affects how we live now and prepares us for eternity. This demands vigilant attention.

Third, godliness is a source of spiritual strength. When we live to please God, He works in us and strengthens us (Phil. 2:12-13; Eph. 3:16). There is power in a life devoted to Him.

So how do we develop godliness? It requires intentional effort. As physical health requires exercise, spiritual growth requires discipline (1 Tim. 4:7-8). We must give attention to reading God's Word, applying it and using our abilities in His service.

It also requires removing distractions. Paul urges believers to flee things like materialism, pride and empty disputes, and instead pursue righteousness and godliness (1 Tim. 6:6-11). We cannot grow in godliness while clinging to worldly priorities.

Most importantly, godliness requires proper motivation. Our goal must always be to glorify God—not to gain recognition, advantage or approval from others. When our motive is right, our actions will follow.

Godliness is demonstrated in a life that consistently seeks to honor God—in attitude, conduct and purpose. It ensures that our faithfulness is directed toward the right goal: pleasing God in all things.



By Robert Lupo

What Do WE Miss When You Miss Sunday Nights?

Last week, I wrote an article called, "What Do You Miss On Sunday Nights?" The article was written to encourage those who usually skip Sunday evening worship to consider coming back at night. We first noted that the Biblical mandate to gather together is not fulfilled by only attending Sunday mornings. Hebrews 10:24-25 tells that we should assemble together as often as is feasible. Then, we looked at three things someone misses when they don't attend on Sunday night. In this article, we're going to take a look at this from another angle.

Many of the members who choose not to come to evening worship may understand what THEY are missing out on. They miss the deeper Bible study, the sharing of the Lord's Supper with those who can't come in the morning, and the congregational prayer and singing. However, they might not understand what WE (the members who are at Sunday night worship) miss when they are not there.

First, we miss you! We are a congregation that truly takes John 13:34 to heart. Jesus said, "A new commandment I give to you, that you love one another; as I have loved you, that you also love one another." We love you and when you are not here, you are missed. Great friends are often defined

...when you are not here, you are missed.

by the things they have in common, and we have the most important thing in common: we are Christians! When the church was founded in Acts 2, in verse 44, the Bible says, "Now all who believed were together, and had all things in common." We share a common Savior, a common faith and a common doctrine. We want more time with you.

Second, the church is not complete without you. In 1 Corinthians 12:12, Paul writes, "For as the body is one and has many members, but all the members of that one body, being many, are one body, so also is Christ." Each one of us has a unique contribution of personality, talent and faith that makes the church what it is. Each of us is being built up, as Peter says, "...a spiritual house, a holy priesthood, to offer up spiritual sacrifices acceptable to God through Jesus Christ" (1 Pet. 2:3). If a house is missing one of its stones, it is no longer complete. The church is not the same without you.

Third, we miss your singing. In Ephesians 5:19 and Colossians 3:16, the Bible says that singing is for "speaking," "teaching" and "admonishing" one another. When you are not at Sunday evening worship, we miss your voice. Every voice is vital to the morale and spirit of the congregation. When seats are empty, the volume of encouragement dwindles.

We know what we are missing every Sunday evening. Do you know how much the church misses you?

Articles Published in PBL Family News Emails Last Week

Different levels of willingness to help

How much do we actually want to help someone? It might be (but not always) found in how we word our willingness to help. If we tell someone—"Let me know if I can help"—then they may never ask, as it's on them to initiate the request. If we ask someone—"Do you need any help?" or "Is there something I can do to help?"—that is an easy way for them to give a one-word answer, "No." If we ask someone—"What can I do to help?"—it is rather open and vague, but again, an easy way for them to say, "Nothing. I'm good."

Don't misunderstand. Offering to help someone is always a good idea. And there is nothing wrong with any of the above questions. But, what if our offers to help were a little more proactive. For example, go and visit in their home. Then, just start washing dishes (or whatever). "I'm going to wash your dishes and wipe your counters. I've got time for two more projects. What would be most helpful today?" Sometimes the "love" by which we "serve one another" (Gal. 5:13; 6:10) needs to take the initiative. —DS



"I'm going to be baptized soon"

Do you remember that Bible character who heard the gospel proclaimed, learned of God's simple plan of salvation, recognized the requisite place of baptism to obtain forgiveness, and then said, "I know I need to be baptized. I plan to do it really soon, within the next week or two"? Oh? You don't recall that in reading the New Testament? Well, that's because nothing like that is found in Scripture.

When seeking, sincere individuals, who were unaffected by doctrines or whims of man, realized that their personal sins were a barrier between them and God (Isa. 59:1-2) and that Bible baptism would wash those sins away (Acts 22:16), there was no delay, or putting it off, or scheduling it for a later time. They got baptized "immediately" (Acts 2:41; 8:36; 9:18; 16:33; 22:16).

Have you followed God's plan? Have you been baptized for the express purpose of being saved from your sins (Mark 16:16; Acts 2:38)? If not, "why are you waiting" (Acts 22:16)? Why go another moment with your sins separating you from God? —DS

Keep in Your Prayers



Pray for These PBL Members

Marie Achille	Aviata Rehab (Wallis Rd, WPB), recovering from stroke
Gloria Boyd	in Jupiter Rehab Center
David Brown	scheduled for reverse shoulder replacement in July
Skye Brown	multiple medical tests, possible procedures or surgeries
Claire Crews	recovering from shoulder surgery
Carolyn Cullom	hip replacement surgery on her right hip, No visitors
Dianne Halenda	awaiting test results
Mary Beth Hester	dealing with back pain
Bill Ingram, Jr.	moved to Discovery Commons, advanced Alzheimer's
Lynne Jorgensen	undergoing medical tests
Charlene Knowles	awaiting test results
Jermaine Smith	dealing with severe pain

Ongoing Health Issues

Jimmie Banks	dialysis treatments
Judy Carmack	chronic health issues
Dianne Halenda	pain, swelling in legs & back
John Loftis	back pain, weakness
Tiffany Mayes	dialysis treatments
Sherri Richmond	multiple health issues

Pray for Our Shut-Ins

Millie Ames	Leigh Puckett
Gloria Boyd	Don Seay
Josie Dawson	Ricky Smedley
Zula Garrett	Jackie Stout
Loretta Holaday	Samuel Williams
Kasandra Jones	Evetta Wilson
Owen Miley	

Pray for These Relatives of PBL Members

Donald Coe	Linda Coe's father, declining health
Loretta Daniels	Melinda Price's mother, recovering at home
Jerry Davis	Judy Bird's brother, finished cancer treatments
Vera Gibson	Ophelia Holmes' sister, recovering from stroke
Tim Mahlbacher	Delores Mahlbacher, ongoing health issues
Connie Tipton	Cara Blackmer's mother, triple bypass surgery
Ken Tipton	Cara Blackmer's father, quadruple bypass surgery
Frank Williams	Sylvester Jackson's brother, under Hospice Care, cancer

Remember
Our Mission Works

Pacific Islands
Robert & Mary Martin
Wayne & Kristi Parker

Africa
Nnanna Aforji
Tamuka Arunashe

Bahamas
Tavaro & Shameika Hanna

United States
Apologetics Press
Robert C. Lupo
Mauricio & Kayla Yegros

Answering Macedonian Calls
Josh & Cara Blackmer



Church Family Calendar of Events

Sunday, June 7

- ◆ **Shepherds Praying each Sunday in June** at 5:30 p.m. in Adult 3. All members are invited to come and pray with them.

Wednesday, June 10

- ◆ **Summer Series: "Because He Lives"** at 7:00 p.m. Jr. High, Sr. High and adults will meet in the Auditorium. Steven Akin will be speaking on *"I Know My Problems Will Not Last."*

Saturday, June 13

- ◆ **PBL Ladies' Prayer Meeting** at 1:00 p.m. in Adult 3. See Maria Hackshaw for more details.
- ◆ **Widows & Widowers Taco Trivia** at 4:00 p.m. in the Family Room. See John Hoelzer for more details.

Sunday, June 14

- ◆ **Leadership Training Camp Lessons Presented** during morning services.
- ◆ **Shepherds Praying each Sunday in June** at 5:30 p.m. in Adult 3. All members are invited to come and pray with them.

Wednesday, June 17

- ◆ **Summer Series: "Because He Lives"** at 7:00 p.m. Jr. High, Sr. High and adults will meet in the Auditorium. Baptiste Joseph will be speaking on *"I Know the World Needs Him."*

Sunday, June 21

- ◆ **Wedding Shower for Halle Johnson & Daniel Wagner** at 4:30 p.m. in the Family Room. They are registered at Amazon.
- ◆ **Shepherds Praying each Sunday in June** at 5:30 p.m. in Adult 3. All members are invited to come and pray with them.

Wednesday, June 24

- ◆ **Summer Series: "Because He Lives"** at 7:00 p.m. Jr. High, Sr. High and adults will meet in the Auditorium. Terry Frizzell will be speaking on *"I Know I Am Never Alone."*

Friday, June 26

- ◆ **Ladies' Fellowship** at 7:00 p.m. at Brookdale Assisted Living. Come and watch "The War Room: Prayer Is a Powerful Weapon." RSVP on the bulletin board.

Palm Beach Lakes church of Christ
Young Adults

Saturday, June 13

- ◆ **Young Adult Singing** at 7:00 p.m. at the home of Darin & Brittany Summerlot. See Ivan Villard for more details.

Saturday, June 20

- ◆ **Young Adult Bowling** at 6:30 p.m. at Lucky Strike in Jupiter. Pay at the door. See Ivan Villard for more details.

Friday, July 10

- ◆ **Young Adult Devo & Game Night** at 6:30 p.m. at the home of David & Traci Sproule. See Ivan Villard for more details.

Saturday, August 1

- ◆ **Young Adult Devo** at 6:00 p.m.

Saturday, August 8

- ◆ **Youth & Young Adult Basketball Hangout** at 5:00 p.m. All Jr. High, Sr. High and Young Adults are invited. See Robert Lupo for more details.



Palm Beach Lakes
Youth

Wednesday-Saturday, June 10-13

- ◆ **Leadership Training Camp for Young Men & Women.** See Dan Jenkins, David Sproule or Robert Lupo for details.

Sunday, June 14

- ◆ **Leadership Training Camp Lessons Presented** during morning services.

Monday, June 22-29

- ◆ **Sr. High & Adult Mission Trip** to Sneedville, TN. Please keep the mission team in your prayers.

Sunday, July 5

- ◆ **Jr. High Family Devo** after evening worship. Bring desserts and drinks to share. See Robert Lupo for more details.

Saturday, July 11

- ◆ **Jr. High & Sr. High Movie Night** at the home of Robert & Reanna Lupo. See Robert for more details.

A Passage A Day

Keeps me on the Lord's way

A ONE-YEAR STUDY THROUGH THE

Life of Christ

IN CHRONOLOGICAL ORDER

For the Month of *June*

June 1: Mark 8:1-10

Mark's Account of Jesus Feeding the 4,000

June 2: Matthew 15:32-39

Matthew's Account of Jesus Feeding the 4,000

June 3: Matthew 16:1-4; Mark 8:11-12

Jesus Rebukes Sign-Seeking Pharisees and Sadducees

June 4: Matthew 16:5-12

Matthew's Account of Jesus Warning About the Leaven of Jewish Sects

June 5: Mark 8:13-21

Mark's Account of Jesus Warning About the Leaven of Jewish Sects

June 6: Mark 8:22-26

Jesus Heals a Blind Man in Bethsaida

June 7: Matthew 16:13-20; Mark 8:27-30; Luke 9:18-21

Peter Confesses That Jesus Is the Christ, and Jesus Promises to Build His Church

June 8: Matthew 16:21-23; Mark 9:31-33; Luke 9:22

Jesus Predicts His Suffering and Death

June 9: Matthew 16:24-27; Mark 8:34-38; Luke 9:23-26

Jesus Teaches to Take Up One's Cross and Follow Him

June 10: Matthew 16:28; Mark 9:1; Luke 9:27

Jesus Promises His Kingdom in Their Lifetime

June 11: Matthew 17:1-13

Matthew's Account of the Transfiguration of Jesus

June 12: Mark 9:2-13

Mark's Account of the Transfiguration of Jesus

June 13: Luke 9:28-36

Luke's Account of the Transfiguration of Jesus

June 14: Mark 9:14-29

Mark's Account of Jesus Healing a Demon-Possessed Boy

June 15: Matthew 17:14-21; Luke 9:37-43a

Matthew and Luke's Accounts of Jesus Healing a Demon-Possessed Boy

June 16: Matthew 17:22-23; Mark 9:30-32; Luke 9:43b-45

Jesus Predicts His Suffering and Death a Second Time

June 17: Matthew 17:24-27

Jesus Pays the Temple Tax with a Coin from a Fish

June 18: Matthew 18:1-5; Mark 9:33-37; Luke 9:46-48

Jesus Uses a Little Child to Teach About Greatness

June 19: Mark 9:38-50

Mark's Account of Jesus Warning About Stumbling Blocks

June 20: Matthew 18:6-14; Luke 9:49-50

Matthew and Luke's Accounts of Jesus Warning About Stumbling Blocks

June 21: Matthew 18:15-20

Jesus Teaches About Church Discipline

June 22: Matthew 18:21-35

The Parable of the Unmerciful Servant

June 23: John 7:1-9

Jesus Is Rejected By His Brothers

June 24: Matt. 19:1-2; Mark 10:1; Luke 9:51-56; John 7:10

Jesus Journeys to Judea Through Samaria

June 25: Matthew 8:19-22; Luke 9:57-62

Jesus Teaches That Total Commitment Is Required

June 26: John 7:11-24

Jesus Teaches About His Doctrine and His Works

June 27: John 7:25-36

Jesus Teaches That He Came from Above and Is Going Back

June 28: John 7:37-52

Division Among the Jews Concerning Jesus

June 29: John 7:53-8:11

Jesus Talks to a Woman Caught in Adultery

June 30: John 8:12-20

Jesus Is the Light of the World

"...always abounding in the work of the Lord..." (1 Cor. 15:58)

Members Traveling
this week



Thank You
for worshipping with us

Sunday,
May 31

Lightpost

LOCAL VISITORS: Mrs. Carolyn Deem; Mr. Dane Eaks; Mr. & Mrs. Charles & Karen Edinger; Ms. Tiffany McIntosh; Mr. Denny Merrifield; Mr. Chris Namacher; Mr. Nathan Norwood; Ms. Jean Powers; Ms. Margaret Pujals; Mr. Jim Shiver; and Ms. Meghan Styles.

OUT-OF-TOWN VISITORS: Mr. & Mrs. Garry & Teri Bee, Westland, MI; Mr. & Mrs. Geoffrey & Lornette Browne, Miramar, FL; Mr. & Mrs. Terry & Regina Crews, St. Albans, MO; Mr. & Mrs. Christopher & Janie Flournoy, Lauderhill, FL; Mr. Derik Glaser, Ormond Beach, FL; Mr. Rick Harrison, Clinton, TN; Mr. & Mrs. Bob & Jennifer Higbee, Henderson, TN; Mrs. Lindsey McPherson, Nashville, TN; and Miss Sarah Ramer, Sebring, FL.

Birthdays & Anniversaries This Week

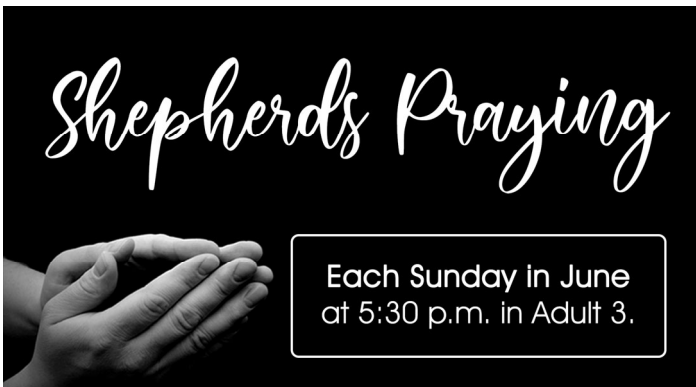
Sunday, June 7th
David & Daisy Lord (Ann.)
Maria Hackshaw

Wednesday, June 10th
Amberdenise Puckett

Tuesday, June 9th
Stephen & Carolina Beliech (Ann.)
Namdidie Ikon

Saturday, June 13th
Tim & Susie Cox (Ann.)
Judie Jenkins
Taylor Sue Price
Squadeina Ross
Yvette Watts

Wednesday, June 10th
Bill & Gai Ingram (Ann.)



Those to Serve

If you are unable to serve, please contact the Service Coordinator for the week or Rick Hall at 827-4269.
If you are scheduled to serve on Sunday morning, please meet in the Grades 6-8 classroom at **9:50 a.m.**
If you are scheduled to serve on Sunday evening, please meet at the front of the auditorium at **5:50 p.m.**

Sunday Morning, June 7

Opening Prayer Dan Fuller
Singing Robert Lupo
Scripture Reading Connor Goodale
Singing
Lord's Supper Jeff Goodale
Singing
Contribution
Singing
Sermon
Singing
Closing Prayer Eugene Williams

Serve at Table:
Michael Erickson Michael Menendez
Kingsley Gardner Jim Rogers
James Green Vincent Rogers
Jeff Leslie Joseph Snyder

Sunday Evening, June 7

Singing Stephen Beliech
Opening Prayer Kirk Crews
Scripture Reading Casey Crews
Singing
Lord's Supper Dan Jenkins
Singing
Contribution
Singing
Sermon
Singing
Closing Prayer John Hoelzer

Serve at Table:
John Patrick Islay Rodriguez

Audio this week: Jack Holoman
Computer this week: Ivan Villard
Video this week: Ed Gager

Wednesday Evening, June 10

Singing Daniel Wagner
Invitation Troy Alberga
Family Prayer Eugene Williams

Our Record

Attendance	May 31	Apr. Avg
Sun. Bible Study	137	144
Sun. AM Worship	287	253
Sun. PM Worship	104	92
Wed. Bible Study	167	103
Contribution	\$17,669	\$17,873

2026 Weekly Budget: \$17,161

Y-T-D Contribution-to-Budget: \$10,838

Service Coordinator:
Rick Hall

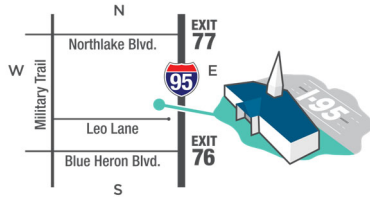
Ushers for this week: Rick Hall & Marty Williams
Safety Team for this week: Jimmie Banks



Palm Beach Lakes CHURCH OF CHRIST

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Speaking where the Bible speaks, Silent where the Bible is silent.



Service Schedule

Sunday:

Bible Classes..... 9:00 a.m.
Worship 10:00 a.m.
Worship 6:00 p.m.

Wednesday:

Bible Classes..... 7:00 p.m.

Front Cover: 2026 VBS Crew — GREAT JOB, EVERYONE!

Summer Series Bible Study

Wednesdays at 7:00 p.m.

Because He Lives



Mark Your Calendar!

- June 10** I Know My Problems Will Not Last
Steven Akin
- June 17** I Know the World Needs Him
Baptiste Joseph
- June 24** I Know I Am Never Alone
Terry Frizzell
- July 1** I Know He Will Come Again
Jonathan Jenkins
- July 8** I Know Death Is Not the End
Creston Frizzell
- July 15** I Know My Labor Is Not in Vain
Jamey Hinds
- July 22** I Know My Debt Was Fully Paid
Tim Dooley
- July 29** I Know He Reigns Right Now
Mauricio Yegros
- August 5** I Know I Must Live a Holy Life
Don Smith
- August 12** I Know He Intercedes for Me
David Pharr