the GOOD News

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The Painted Stick (Unknown)

One Sunday, a preacher told how, while sitting in his garden, he had watched a caterpillar climb a painted stick that was for decoration. After reaching the top, the caterpillar reared itself, feeling this way and that for a juicy twig to feed on or some way to further progress. Finding nothing, it slowly returned to the ground, crawled along till it reached another painted stick, and did the same thing all over again. The preacher said: "There are many painted sticks in the world-those of pleasure, wealth, and fame. All these call men and say, 'Climb me to find the desire of your heart, fulfill the purpose of your existence, taste the fruit of success, and find satisfaction, but they are only painted sticks." Solomon tried to find the purpose of his life in the world's "painted sticks." He gave his heart to seek wisdom but learned that it was "vanity and vexation of spirit" (Ecclesiastes 1:15).

He then turned to the pleasures of the world for meaning in life. He built great houses, gardens, and pools. He had servants and maidens: in fact, he had all that a man could desire. Solomon's comment on pleasure as a true source of happiness, however, was, "All was vanity and vexation of spirit, and there was no profit under the sun" (Ecclesiastes 2:11). After trying all that the world could offer, Solomon's final decision was, "Let us hear the conclusion of the whole matter: Fear God and keep His commandments: for this is the whole duty of man" (Ecclesiastes 12:13).

To have integrity is to be good when nobody is looking!

An admission of error is a sign of strength rather than a weakness!

Confessing your sins is no substitute for forsaking them!

Activities

Sunday June 11, 2023

10:30 AM Worship Service

Announcements: *Buddy Bethea* Scripture Reading: *Lee Phillips*

Psalms 96:1-6

Song Leader: James Bethea

Memorial Leader: Scott Mixon

Memorial Ass.: Bradley Hart

Memorial Ass.: Lavern Levingston

Memorial Ass.: Chuck Richardson

Lesson: Chuck Richardson

The Parable Of Talents

Matthew 25:14-30

Who Do We Say God Is?

6:00 PM Worship Service

Announcement: Buddy Bethea

Scripture Reading: Kim Howell

Acts 16:25-34

Song Leader: Ben Richardson

Lesson: Ben Richardson

TBA

Memorial Leader: Scott Mixon

Wednesday June 14, 2023

7:00 PM Bible Study/Worship

Announcement: Ben Richardson

Auditorium Teacher: Scott Mixon

Song Leader: Philip Richardson

Lesson & Invitation: James Bethea

Special Studies

Vacation Bible School *June 26-30 @ 10AM*

"Walking In The Light" A Look At Daniel's Life Daniel 1-6

Wednesday Night Of VBS (ALL AGES IN AUDITORIUM)

Special Works

Memory Work, Faith Builders, & Defense Builders Drill Class Sunday's at 5:20pm [for all ages]

Scripture(s) For The Week

Colossians 3:1-5 (NASB) Therefore if you have been raised up with Christ, keep seeking the things above, where Christ is, seated at the right hand of God. 2 Set your mind on the things above, not on the things that are on earth. 3 For you have died and your life is hidden with Christ in God. 4 When Christ, who is our life, is revealed, then you also will be revealed with Him in glory.

5 Therefore consider the members of your earthly body as dead to immorality, impurity, passion, evil desire, and greed, which amounts to idolatry.

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