

Announcements and Church News

Our Story

Jan Lavern-healing from a fall and broken nose; Kay Jessup-results of chest scan; Ronnie Somerville, Jr-cancer on nose; Delia Schlachter back issues; Teresa Broyles cancer treatment; Joyce Stanley, Kim Taylor, Guery & Nancy VanWinkle, health issues.

PRAYER REQUESTS FOR FAMILY/FRIENDS; Jan Lavern's-nephew Kevin Ward/ recent open heart surgery; Patrick Pinto's- sister Angelina and nephew Joshua; Mattie Simmons-brother Joe for a mass; Kelly Sarver's-father-in-law Don Sarver for health issues; Lexi Cahill's- brother Jacob; Carol Untied's-neighbor Rick/health issues; Paula Davis- friend Tracey recovery of accident; Les Vasterling's grandson, Michael/kidney issues; The Broyles stepmom Mary Jane Wright; Carol Mitchell- tumor on liver; The Stewart's-bro-in-law Russell Holt; Clifton Reynold's son Bryce; The Kozola's son Tim; David Sain's-wife Phyllis; Van Stewart's -aunt, Linda Parsons for health issues; Dianne Stewart's-brother, Bobby Goodfield; The Stingles-niece's baby; Paula Davis'-niece/lupus; Darrell Broking/for health issues.

PRAYERS FOR CANCER:

Tim Martin of Pinellas Park church of Christ; Dyianna Thompson's brother-in-law, Rodney; John Benson's friend, Wendell; Ranny Reeves neighbor, Linda Wall; Linda Hadsock's niece, June McCray; Carol Untied's stepmother Emily; Van Stewart's sister Tracey and cousin Paula; Mattie Simmons friend William; Sandy Caldwell's bro-in-law Larry; Kay Jessup's friends Pete Pepjess and Marie Woleck.

INMATES: Antwaun Thompson, Willie Newton & Tom George.

OUR SERVICE MEN: Austin Reyes (Marine) Matthew Holleran (Army)

SHUT INS: Alison Harris, Delia Schlachter, Joyce Stanley and Guery & Nancy VanWinkle

Activities

NEXT LADIES BIBLE CLASS— Friday, June 16th at 1:00pm in the small building. All ladies are welcome to attend.

VACATION BIBLE SCHOOL— At River Road Church of Christ from June 16th to the 18th. Flyers are in the foyer.

RESPONDED—Randall Deily came forward last Sunday for forgiveness of sin and needing the prayers of the church.

SYMPATHY— Our deepest sympathy to Grace Ime Akpakpan for the recent loss of three family members living in Nigeria. Remember Grace and the families that are mourning the loss of their dear loved ones.

Our deepest sympathy to David & Samantha Jones and family for the loss of their niece Alexandra. Remember the Jones family and Samantha's sister Sandra Sierra in your prayers for the loss of her daughter.

REMINDER—Weekly sermons are available on CD, our website and livestream on Facebook and YouTube on Sundays at 10:30 & 5:00pm and Wednesdays at 7:00pm. If you need the Bulletin, Christian Service List, Calendar or Directory call the office at (727) 446-4808.

THOSE SERVING TODAY

Greeters— Van/Dianne Stewart

Announcements—James George

Song Leaders—James George/Joe Bonelli

Scripture Readers—John Benson/Max Herman

Opening Prayer—David Jones/Rob Schlachter

Lord's Table—Van Stewart

Closing Prayer—Patrick Pinto/Jesse Lancaster

Birthdays This Week

Priscilla Miller— June 4th

Coral Crossley—June 4th

Link Jurado—June 8th


Sonia Boring—June 9th



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Arnold Town Road Church of Christ—Darrell Broking
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South Anchorage Church of Christ—Michael Dale
Czech Republic Missions — Tony/Heidi Orellana

Elders:

Joe Bonelli Charles Broyles
James George

Deacons:

Max Herman
Van Stewart

Preacher: Charles Broyles

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Sunday Bible Study—9:30AM

Mark Bernhardt

Righteousness

Matthew 5:6

Sunday AM Worship—10:30AM

Mark Bernhardt

Where Are You Building?

Matthew 7:24-27

Sunday PM Worship—5:00 PM

David Jones

H.O.P.E.

Romans 8:28, 8:31

Ladies Bible Study-Friday

June 16th at 1:00PM

Wed. Bible Study—7:00PM

Van Stewart

W.W.J.D.

Matthew 28:18-20

All services are available!



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From the Preacher's Pen

GOD CALLS SOME MEN FOOLS, LOOKING OUTWARD

Dan Jenkins

In the Sermon on the Mount, Jesus shows that calling another man a fool endangers our eternal destiny. "But whoever says, 'You fool!' shall be in danger of hell fire" (Matt. 5:22). However, God, who knows the hearts of all men, often looks at certain men and their actions and calls them fools. It is life changing to see those whom God describes as fools.

David said, "The fool has said in his heart, 'There is no God'" (Psa. 14:1; 53:1). He does not have to verbally say this. When a man's heart arrives at this conclusion, every choice he makes is based on his view of this being a "Godless" world. Look at where our nation is headed, and you will see the fruit of a nation whose heart is forgetting God.

Why is he a fool? Simply because he ignores the evidence all around him that God exists. There is no place on this earth where the heavens fail in declaring His glory and showing His handiwork (Psa. 19:1). Look at how the English Standard Version affirms this. "There is no speech, nor are there words, whose voice is not heard. Their voice goes out through all the earth, and their words to the end of the world" (Psa. 19:3-4 ESV). That voice says, "God is!" That evidence has existed since the creation of the world, and it proclaims His eternal power. It is so strong that it leaves those who deny His existence and describes them as being "without excuse" (Rom. 1:20). Imagine the hopelessness of this man standing before God at the final judgment!

God described the downward path which led the pagan world as it ignored this evidence of His existence and removed themselves so far from God. "Although they knew God, they did not glorify Him as God, nor were thankful, but became futile in their thoughts, and their foolish hearts were darkened" (Rom. 1:21). When fools rob God of His glory and cease to be thankful the downward journey has begun. It is so true that their lives are lived in darkness. The passage continues, "Professing to be wise they became fools."

Now think about how these words describe what is happening right now in America. It has become so foolish that it cannot determine if one is male or female. Our educational system no longer emphasizes the three R's and focuses on brainwashing young children. In the first year of school a child is confused by such foolish ideas. We once affirmed that we desired to be "one nation under God," but such is no longer the case. We have seemingly become a nation that desires to be "one nation out from under God."

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We first looked outward to those whom God regards as fools. It is a serious matter for anyone to call another a fool (Matt. 5:24), yet our omniscient God often describes some people as fools. Now we look inward to see that our God may use these very words to describe our actions.

Before hastily deciding that we are not fools, hear these words from God. "The way of a fool is right in his own eyes" (Prov. 12:15). The fact that we may not think of ourselves in these terms does not mean that God does not see us that way. Because almost every fool does not see himself as being foolish, we must remember that we might be among that number.

As we look inward, hear these other words from Solomon. "Fools mock at sin" (Prov. 14:9). Our world so flippantly makes light of that which will cost men their souls. Look at the content of social media and take notice of how we are entertained by viewing sin. Wise men hear and live by these words, "Abhor that which is evil; cleave to that which is good" (Rom. 12:9). Wise men will heed these words.

As you do a "fool check," read God's words about those who talk all the time. "A fool vents all his feelings, but a wise man holds them back" (Prov. 29:11). "And a fool's voice is known by his many words" (Ecc. 5:3). "A fool also multiplies words" (Ecc. 10:14). "He who answers a matter before he hears it, it is folly and shame to him" (Prov. 18:13). Now read all these verses again and look inward to ask yourself if you are talking too much.

In the Parable of the Rich Fool, Jesus describes that man who was prospering in so many ways. He wanted new barns, greater barns, in which to store his riches. He looked to the future and found security in all that he had worked so hard to gain. He said to his soul, "Soul, you have many goods laid up for many years; take your ease; eat, drink, and be merry" (Luke 12:19). God said to him, "Fool! This night your soul will be required of you; then whose will those things be which you have provided?" He then describes every man who lays up treasure for himself and is not rich toward God. Look inward, and then if guilty of the same sin, hear the voice of God as it may describe you. "Fool!"

These words look at only a few times God describes not just the wicked and evil but His own people. As you read the Bible take time to think about how God determines who is a fool. May His words describing Israel never describe us: "My people are foolish, they have not known Me. They are silly children...they are wise to do evil, but to do good they have no knowledge...they are foolish; for they do not know the way of the Lord" (Jer. 4:42; 5:4). Look inward! Don't be a fool!

IT TAKES COURAGE

To refrain from gossiping when others about you delight in it.

To stand up for an absent person who is being abused.

To live honestly within your means and not dishonestly on the means of others.

To be a real man, a true woman, by holding fast to your ideals when it causes you to be looked upon as strange and peculiar.

To be talked about and yet remain silent when a word would justify you in the eyes of others, but which you cannot speak without injury to another.

To refuse to do a thing which is wrong, though others do it.

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