



CHURCH OF CHRIST

September 30, 2018

Fathers and Children

(Ephesians 6:1-4)

It is always important to keep some things near the front of the mind when reading Scripture. Things such as, "God loves his people, but he is just", or "Christians do all things out of reverence for Christ." We all know that people fail to the extent that one man teaching a class several years ago describing his life as a divorced person said, "You can't unscramble an egg, once it's done you just have to eat it that way – you may have wanted it fried but scrambled can still be very good."

We are still in a section of Ephesians that is addressing Christian household relationships. Given the cultural context surrounding this passage, I think that what is addressed to fathers can apply to mothers as well, but this morning we will address fathers and children. It is important to remember that Paul is addressing a Christian ideal in which both fathers and children have respect and reverence for God and Christ.

There are often a couple of questions that come up with this passage. One has to do with those who consider that they have parents who are less than the example they should be and are therefore not worth honoring. The other concerns the use of the word "discipline" when referring to fathers raising children.

It is important to keep in mind here that the context clearly demonstrates that both fathers and children are to respect the law. There the references to the Old Testament both come from the time when Israel was in the wilderness – at Sinai and later as they were about to cross into the Promised Land. This lets us know that Paul is less concerned with parenting style than with the importance of faith (in Christ) being passed from one generation to the next.

It is clearly easier for there to be successful transmission of healthy teaching when children are honoring their fathers and mothers and fathers are teaching the discipline and instruction of the Lord without provoking the children to anger. This is not a description of the hammer of discipline coming down on a young child because he hasn't listened to what his parents said. This is a description of a father who loves his wife and serves her and leads as Christ serves and leads the church. Such fathers may have to have "strong hands" from time to time but that is the exception. This is a description of a pattern of life that leads and disciplines and instructs by example.

It is not the description of a friend or one trying to win a popularity contest. It is not the description of one trying to be cool or fit in. It is a description of both parent and child understanding who they are in relationship to God and to each other.

Chapter for October: Habakkuk 2

Next week: Going to Church: It's Important

WELCOME

We are glad you've joined us for worship today!

Please fill out the information sheet found in the maroon binder at the end of your pew.

*An attended **nursery** is provided during worship assembly.

***Communion**—We celebrate the resurrection of our Lord every Sunday (“first day of the week”) through a time of communion known as the Lord’s Supper. The “unleavened bread” represents His body and the “fruit of the vine” (cup of grape juice) represents His blood shed on the cross. As our guest, you are welcome to participate, though you are not required to do so.

***Giving**— We are challenged to be good stewards of God’s blessings by supporting the various ministries of the church through a weekly collection that is taken during our worship time. You are welcome to give, but please do not feel as though you must.



TONIGHT: We will not meet .

Wednesday: Auditorium 6:30pm, 6:45pm class

Note from Landon: Upcoming events: Fall Retreat@ Crossville TN-Oct 19-21 . Celebration @LBL-Nov 2-4, \$40.



**Ryan Hill-RI (Shoulders) Christopher Goodale-USMC
Cameron Hurst--USAF(Curry) Hans Niestrath-USNA
Sam Richey-USMC (Stoltz) Conner Wiseman, Fort Bragg (Moore)
Jason Rushing-Air Natl Guard (Hampton) Ty Naifeh (Afghanistan)**

Worship Order

Order of Worship

Sunday, September 30, 2018

Congregational Reading: Psalm 78:1-7

***How Deep the Father's Love
Holy Father, Grant Us Peace***

Prayer— Terry Hampton
Lamb of God

Come To The Table of Mercy

Lord's Supper

Roger Matheny Tim Teel

Pete Shoulders Kivil Brown

K. Ashby Buster Almon

Presiding: Roger Matheny

Contribution

No Children's Church

The Lord My Shepherd Is

The Lord's My Shepherd

Scripture Reading: Eph. 6:1-4 (Steve)

Prayer: Barry Webb

Lesson: Sean Niestrath

How Great Is Our God

Benediction: The Grace

ALTERNATES:

Please meet in case you are needed to serve as a sub for the Lord's Supper

September:

Dan Rust

Ronny Stubblefield

Prepare communion:

Sept: Ashby

Oct: Almon

For the Record:

Last Sunday

Bible Class: 82

Worship: 150

Contribution:

\$4370.00

Wednesday: 70

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Monitor: D. Stubblefield

Nursery: Megan Scott

Children's Church: none Sound

Booth: Parker Mathis

Sunday, October 7, 2018

Prayer: Kenneth Ashby

Prayer: Wayne Adams

Scripture: Kivil Brown

Monitor: Pete Shoulders

Nursery: Betty Rust

Children's Church: Teel

Serving the Lord's Table:

R. Stubblefield Dan Rust

G. Dillingham D. Swaidner

B. Kittinger James Allen

Presiding: R. Stubblefield

Sound Booth—Jeremy Duggin

ANNOUNCEMENTS

No PM Service tonight.



Remember the young church in Kenya this week in your prayers.

Virginia Barron, 7 years old, in LeBonheur Children's Hospital with an unknown illness would love cards sent to her. We sent birthday cards from our Wednesday night classes this week but if you'd like to send "thinking of you" cards here is her address:

***LeBonheur Children's Hospital
Virginia Barron/ Room 520
848 Adams Avenue
Memphis, TN 38103***



Grapevine Elementary Weekend Backpack Program: Any easy fix food like MacN Cheese, pop-top soups, spaghetti-ohs, single serving main meal items, etc. You may put items in the box by the office door. Thank you!

Sunday Morning Class Schedule

Sean's Class-Psalms/New Testament

Quincy's Class-1 Peter

Expecting Parents:

Melissa & Butch Blanton (**boy**)--October
Whitney & Bryce Kittinger (**girl**)--December
Angela & Brock Shoulders --March



CALENDAR:

Sept 30—5th Sunday Potluck
Oct 15—Lifeline Screening
Oct 19-21—Youth Fall Retreat
Oct 27—Adams' Hayride
Oct 28—Trunk or Treat

When we meet:

Sunday

Bible Study 9:30 A.M.
Worship 10:30 A.M.

Sunday P.M.

At the building 6 P.M.

Small Groups Sept—May: various times;
contact Sean Niestrath

Wednesday

Bible Study 6:30 P.M.

Contact Us:

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Love. Grow. Serve.

PRAYER REQUESTS

Virginia Barron, 7 yr. Old, at LeBonheur Children's Hospital in Memphis. Unknown illness, on ventilator.
Brenda Pruitt, eye surgery this coming Wednesday.
Ewing Stubblefield, infection this week.

Serious Illness/Injury:

Rita Frazier, lung cancer, Barbara's SIL
Scott Nutt, cancer, Gaye's son
Michael Skultety, cancer, Jane
Mike Bright, health issues
Ruffin Chandler
Lynn Stevens, cancer
Keith Roberts, cancer, EJ
Betty & Kim Stanley
Makenzie Carson, L. Russell
Melinda Brown, Pete's niece
Barbara Lynch, Shelia
Charles Smallwood, Micki's father
Jonathan Allen, MS
Tammy Langenright, Hodgkins
Aaron Reding, ALS
Mack Shearn
George Utley, cancer
Audrey Davis, 4yr.old, leukemia
Tracey Moore, illness
Barry Newton, Keith's friend, cancer
Larry Crowder, lymphoma, Byron
Wayne Warszawa, Parkinson's
Jakayla Acker, lymphoma
Mike Oates, Natalie's father
J.B. Wagner's parents health
Connie Armstrong, cancer
Janetta Brown
Sally Malik, lungs
Jonathan Walker, Cumberland Hall
Kevin Cline, eye disease
Connor Peebles, severe back problems

Kim Feltner, Tim's sister
Bryce Alexander, leukemia
Marvin Gallagher
Phil Keith
George Teel, cancer
Jon Riley, lungs
Danny Belcher, heart
Bruce Coleson, MS
Ed Wallace, liver transplant
Brady Cobb, intestinal problems
Judy Harrison, heart attack
Mike Burns, cancer
Mark Toomes, health
Rodney Householder
Buddy Jenkins, Karen S. father
Jeff Travis, waiting on kidney
Ronnie Lear, COPD
Steve Stirsmen, tumors
Kathy Terrell, Terry's sister, COPD
Hannah Gates, heart surgery
Sherry Mitchell, cancer
Dennis Matheny
Helen Wyatt, Barbara S.
Barbie Kern, Carol's sister, cancer
Joan Owens, Landon's grandmother
Larry Jerome, Wendy's father
Mark Martin, mesothelioma
Andrea Kane, cancer
Denise Hawkins, lung cancer

Shut-Ins & Elderly:

Lee Townsend, Junie Peterson, Ewing Stubblefield, Anna Etta Brown,
Ruth Shoulders, Ann Alderson, Don Niestrath

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Deacons:

Jeremy Duggin, James Rust, Joshua Scott
Brock Shoulders, Steve Stoltz, Darin Swaidner
Tim Teel, Randy Travis