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Sunday 9:30a, 10:30a, 6:00p
Tuesday 10:30a
Wednesday 6:30p

Wednesday Benevolence 8:30a

February 11, 2018

When God Says "No"

Jim Poland

"No" is a word that seems abrupt and all too final. It's a word most of us do not like to hear when we ask for something we want. It's even worse when the answer "No" comes from God in response to our prayers. Sometimes God says, "No." However, this does not mean that He is uncaring or unloving. He has demonstrated His great love for us in a most heartrending way! "For when we were still without strength, in due time, Christ died for the ungodly. For scarcely for a righteous man would even dare to die. But God demonstrates His own love toward us, in that while we were still sinners, Christ died for us" (Rom. 5:6-8).

God has said "No" to some of His greatest servants. God said "No" to the apostle Paul, a man who had left everything to preach the Gospel of God's saving love and grace to the world. When Paul asked the Lord to remove a physical problem of health, God said, "My grace is sufficient for you, for My strength is made perfect in weakness..." (2 Cor. 12:7-10).

God the Father, even said "No" to His Son, Jesus. When Jesus was facing death for our sins, He prayed three times, "O My Father, if it is possible let this cup pass from Me; nevertheless, not as I will but as You will" (Matt. 26:36-46). As we know, the answer was obviously, "No." Jesus did drink the cup of crucifixion for our sins.

When God says, "No," He has a reason, and His reasons are higher than man's. "For My thoughts are not your thoughts, nor are your ways My ways," says the Lord. "For as the heavens are higher than the earth, so are My ways higher than your ways, and My thoughts than your thoughts" (Isa. 55:8-9)

**Continually Devoted to Prayer
The Jerusalem Congregation (Part 6)**

1. We should be Praying as we _____
(Acts 1:14)

2. We should be Praying as we Appoint _____
(Acts 6:6; 14:23)

3. We should be Praying as we are _____

- Pray for _____ (Acts 4:29-30)
- Pray for _____ (Acts 7:60)

4. We Should be Praying as Others _____
(Acts 12:5)

5. We should be Praying as we _____
(Acts 13:3)

6. We should be Praying when we are Sinners

- _____-Christian (Acts 10:2)
- _____ Christian (Acts 8:22)

Straight Outta Context

2 Chronicles 7:14
 “and My people who are called by My name humble themselves and pray and seek My face and turn from their wicked ways, then I will hear from heaven, will forgive their sin and will heal their land.”

Context:

- Solomon’s Request (2 Chronicles 6)
- The Lord’s Response (2 Chronicles 7)

Allow the Thrown of David to _____

Keep Your _____ on Your People

Bring us back when we _____

Help us in times of _____

Our Application: What about America? Can any of these promises apply to our nation?

1. God _____ uses Nations

2. We should _____ for our Nation

3. We should _____ all Nations

Ultimately, we don’t have a land promise...But we have a better promise...an _____ one



WesthillWORKS!

Community Outreach

Benevolence Program
 Habitat for Humanity
 Food for Fitness

Local Missions

Cherokee Children’s Home
 In Search of the Lord’s Way
 Southwest School of Preaching
 Brown Trail Spanish School of Preaching
 The Truth in Love *ttil.tv*
 WVBS Online School *school.wvbs.org*
 La Poynor Prison Ministry
 (Steve & Carrie Handley)

Foreign Missions

India Preacher Training Program
 New Zealand Harvest Missions

Leadership

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Prayer List

Velma McDougald is at home now receiving Hospice Care. Please pray for her and Gene during this time.

Willie Wilmore is back home and recovering well from his heart attack.

Continue to Remember: Don Bowen, Aline Barrett, Wanda Brown, Wanda Horner, Sylvia Cockerham, Billie Thomas, John Sehon, Mary Crews, Jim & Sue Welch, Royce Bunch, Darlene Cooke, Don Corley, Greg Lucero, Mildred Horn, Tyler Baumgartner, & Paul Moore

Announcements

Lads 2 Leaders practice for Bible Bowl will be at 5pm every Sunday until the convention on 3/31.

T3 Commision coming up: Lewisville church of Christ **2/16-2/17** for 8-12 grade.

Blooming Grove COC is hosting a **Gospel Meeting** that starts **Sun. 2/18** and ends **Wed. 2/21** with key note speaker Sam Dilbeck. On **Sat. 2/17** they will be having an evening **Area Wide Singing**. All are invited to come.

Ladies Day: Saturday, 2/24
8:30 a.m Registration - Lunch is provided
Topic: "Heaven Is Up To Me"
Speaker: Denise Surles

250 in Bible Class: Sunday, 3/4
Potluck lunch to follow with a 1pm service immediately afterwards.

Save the Date: Couples Retreat - 4/27-4/29

Save the Date: WOW Ladies Retreat!
October 26-27, 2018
Summers Mill, Salado, TX
Speaker: Martha Lair of Bear Valley Church of Christ

To every member of the Westhill congregation- I love you all!
- Rachel Heim

Birthdays This Week
February 12 - Debbie Wylie
February 14 - Andy Parrish
February 15 - Don Ivy
February 17 - Shirley Bowen, Lincoln Warnes,
& Justin Williams

Next Week:

Bible Class *The Life of the Apostle Paul*

AM Sermon *Continually Devoted to Evangelism*

PM Sermon

Records for February 4, 2018

Bible Class 181
AM Worship.....236
PM Worship..... 148
Wednesday..... 157
Contribution \$10,444.25

Military: Samantha Armstrong, Clay Bayes, Blake Barrett, Jason Book, Alston Compton, David Dilbeck, Robert Johnson, Ryan Payne, Douglas Ramsey, & Ryan Stewart

Privileged to Serve

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| Song Leader | Zach Drain |
| Opening Prayer | Jim Haden |
| Communion Leader | Joe Glass |
| Communion Servers | |
| Darwin Thomas | Ken Green |
| Wade Braly | Seth Haden |
| Eric Olsen | Rusty Owens |
| Mike Wylie | Matt Newman |
| Robby Thomas | Jimmy Horn |
| Nicholas Tooley | Thomas Saunders |
| Casey Hendrix | |
| Scripture Reading | Don Ivy |
| Closing Prayer | Scott Barham |
| Nursery | Carolyn Milton & Claire Haden |
| PM Song Leader | Justin Williams |
| PM Opening Prayer | Frizzell Henry |
| PM Closing Prayer | Dale Hill |
| Wed. Song Leader | Matt Newman |
| Wed. Invitation | James Olsen |
| February Contact Elder | Darwin Thomas |