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

Tuesday 10:30a

Wednesday 6:30p

Wednesday Benevolence 8:30a

June 11, 2017

Let Me Be A Peg

Dan Jenkins

There are verses in the Bible which seem so strange to us because we do not understand the culture when they were written. For example, Peter going “up on the housetop to pray” (Acts 10:9) seems so strange until we learn that the roofs of the houses were flat and a vital part of the lives of people in the first century. The same is true when we read about “pegs” in the house of those in Bible times.

In Isaiah 22, we read of two men who are described by God as being “pegs.” What possible meaning could this have? To understand this, consider that many of the homes and buildings in ancient times had nothing like we have, when we use closets and cabinets to store our possessions. Their possessions were placed on pieces of wood embedded in the walls of buildings as they were built. Clothing was not strewn on the floor (like we find in some rooms of teenagers today) but were hung on these pegs. Ezekiel 15:3 shows that these pegs were used as a place to hang vessels. They were a vital part of the lives of the Jews but could seem so insignificant and be easily undervalued.

There was an important person named Shebna in the kingdom of King Hezekiah (he is called a steward, a treasurer), who was so evil that God sent Isaiah to deliver a personal rebuke for the evil he had done. He had an important place, but he had failed to fulfill his responsibility. God said of him, “The peg that is fastened in the secure place will be removed and cut down and fall, and the burden that was on it will be cut off” (Isa. 22:25). The peg had failed to fulfill his purpose.

Isaiah then described the godly man who was to replace Shebna. God said He would clothe this man, Eliakim, with the robe which had belonged to Shebna and give him great authority. “The key of the house of David I will lay on his shoulder; so he shall open, and no one shall shut; and he shall shut, and no one shall open” (22:22). Then, he added, “I will fasten him as a peg in a secure place, and he will become a glorious throne to his father’s house.”

What can we learn from this imagery? Far too many think that unless the service they render to God is visible and appears important, then there is little they can do for God. Nothing can be farther from the truth. There were important men in that day—the great prophet Isaiah and the godly king, Hezekiah—yet God looked at “pegs” and saw how important their “insignificant” roles were in the big picture.

The world may think that only those who are decorated “pillars and columns” are important. It is wrong. God sees the worth of “pegs.” God help us to be His “pegs.”

Remember

Tim Cooke

1. There are many things this life
 - a. We tend to forget
 - b. Some things life we like to forget
 - c. Many things pleasant to remember

2. There are certain things as Christian
 - a. We are always to remember
 - b. 2 Pet 1:12-21
 - c. Things God wants us to never forget
 - d. 1 Cor 10:31

3. We have a Savior to imitate
 - a. 1 Cor 11:1
 - b. 1 Pet 2:21

4. We have soul save
 - a. Things to avoid
 - b. James 1:12-21
 - c. James 1:22-25
 - d. 2 Tim 2:15

5. Remember we have world to overcome
 - a. 1 John 5:4-5
 - b. Must grow and mature

6. God wants Christians to remember
 - a. Our power of influence
 - b. 1 Cor 15:33
 - c. Matt 5:13-16
 - d. We are in battle
 - e. Eph 6:12
 - f. 1 Tim 6:12

7. Most important as Christians
 - a. Jesus Christ died for us
 - b. Heb 9:28
 - c. James 1:12

8. Conclusion

Pure & Practical
RELIGION
inspired thoughts by James
2017 Westhill Summer Series

June 7	Justin Williams	Introduction to James
21	Robert Dodson	Chapter 1 Faith...Hearing & Doing
28	David Mahoney	Trials: Joy/Wisdom/Reward (1:2-8, 12)
July 5	Jim Haden	Temptations: In poverty/In wealth/In desire (1:9-11, 13-18)
12	Scott Barham	Christianity 101: Practical Religion (1:19-27)
19	Jay Lockhart	Chapters 2-4:12 Ignorance of Worldly Living
26	James Olsen	Worldly Preferences (2:1-13)
August 2	Josh Haden	Worldly Faith (2:14-26)
9	David Shastid	Worldly Divisiveness (3:1-18; 4:1-12)
16	Steve Bailey	Chapters 4:13-5 Leaning on OUR Power
23	Billy Roughton	Boasting in our Empty, Worldly Wealth (4:13-5:6)
30	Dale Hill	Suffering w/ Patience & Praying w/ Faith (5:7-18)

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

Four Seas Bible College, Singapore
New Zealand Harvest Missions

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Prayer List

Sheri Bayes is scheduled for outpatient surgery on 6/23 at the Ennis Hospital.

Meagan Gould is recovering well and had her stitches removed last week from her hip surgery.

Helen Strange is recovering at home from her surgery and should be able to get out soon.

Caleb Ivie, our new brother in Christ, has been released from incarceration and is home. Please encourage and pray for him.

Continue to Remember: Wanda Horner, Shirley Wardlaw, Lanny Powers, Juanita McCary, Don Bowen, Royce Bunch, Aline Barrett, Melba & Eleanor Bower, Jerry Cockerham, Wanda Brown, Robert Shook, Ricky Stepp, Velma McDougald, Jim Howard, Anita Hawkins, Rita Dominy

Announcements

Youth Mission Week: See Cory for schedule of activities.

Westhill VBS “God’s Creation” *Digging for answers* starts TOMORROW, 6/12 and will go through Wednesday evening. Each evening, activities will last from 6-8pm. There will be an adult class each night in auditorium.

Summer Series “Pure & Practical Religion” *Inspired thoughts by James*, will resume on Wednesday 6/21 with speaker Robert Dobson covering James Chap. 1, Faith...Hearing & Doing.

Eastside COC invites the ladies to their **12th Annual Ladies Day “Becoming The Me I Need To Be”** with speakers Rowena Winfrey & Julie Dilbeck on 6/24.

Youth Summer Camp coming July 9-13. **REGISTER TODAY!** Just go to the Events tab on the Westhill website.

WOW Save the Date! Ladies Retreat Sept. 29-30
Summers Mill, Belton, TX
Speaker: Whitney Watson, Greenville, TX
Topic: Resolved (to stand for our Lord, no matter the cost)

Young at Heart Seniors Group meets every Tuesday morning at 10:30am for Bible Study. Everyone is welcome!

Dear Westhill,
Thank you so much for the prayers offered up to my daughter-in-law Sundee. Those prayers were answered. Both operations were successful. The cancerous thyroid was removed and lymph nodes were clear. No further treatment is necessary. In Christian love, **Don Corley**

Birthdays This Week

June 12 - Mary Bulter & Billie Murphy

June 15 - Barbara Glass

June 16 - Polly Prater

June 17 - La Donna Hand, Josie Horn, & Rusty Owens

Next Week

Bible Class *The Life of the Apostle Paul*

AM Sermon *Guest Speaker*

PM Sermon *Guest Speaker*

Records for June 4, 2017

Bible Class	149
AM Worship.....	221
PM Worship.....	128
Wednesday.....	153
Contribution	\$8,462.89

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

Privileged to Serve

Song Leader	Mark Blaylock
Opening Prayer	Ken Green
Communion Leader	Brent Stewart
Communion Servers	
Jim Milam	Percell Milton
Bronny Watson	Buck Murphy
Jose Sosa, Jr.	Scott Parr
Greg Olsen	James Olsen
Don Ivy	James Horn
Gene Steinkraus	Joe Glass
Millard Dowdle	
Closing Prayer	Justin Williams
Nursery	Donna Drain & Melissa Webster
PM Song Leader	David Baumgartner
PM Opening Prayer	Percell Milton
PM Closing Prayer	Eric Olsen
Wed. Song Leader	VBS
Wed. Devotional	VBS
June Contact Elder	Percell Milton