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

Wednesday Benevolence 8:30a

June 25, 2017

God Answers Prayer

Hollis Miller

The Bible clearly teaches that God hears the prayers of His children. But it is equally clear that all prayers are not always answered as the one praying may wish. The apostle Paul prayed three times that something he called "*a thorn in the flesh*" might be removed from him, but God answered: "*My grace is sufficient for you*" (2 Cor. 12:7-9).

James taught that some prayers are not answered because the one praying asks for the wrong reasons (James 4:3; see also 1:5-8). John wrote: "*This is the confidence we have in Him, that if we ask anything accordijng to His will, He hears us*" (1 John 5:14).

It is a mistake to take a single passage of Scripture about prayer and assume that the passage contains the whole of what the New Testament teaches on the subject. That God cares for His children is a very positive New Testament doctrine (1 Peter 5:7). However, caring for us and always, without exception, responding to our prayers exactly as we request are not equal to each other. The apostle John was present when Jesus said: "*Ask, and it shall be given you*" (Matt. 7:7). But the apostle's statement cited above evidences that he did not understand Jesus' statement to be unconditional.

*The prayers a man lives on his feet
are just as important as those he
says on his knees.*

Faith in prayer is always placed in God, never in its own sincerity and devotion. Our vision is too limited and our knowledge too inadequate to always know what is best for us. We do not always know, even with regard to the simple things of life, what should be done. Removing the will of God from prayer is to take away the unlimited wisdom, the perfect knowledge, and the unrestricted foresight that belongs to Him alone. Such removal should not be the wish of any Christian.

Now That We Are Parting

Sam Dilbeck

Luke 24:46-49

1. Let's know Christ (v46)

2. Let's proclaim forgiveness (v47)

3. Let's exemplify Christianity (v48)

4. Let's stay together (v49)

Widow Of Zarephath

Tim Cooke

1. Introduction

- a. Elijah the Prophet
- b. 2 Kings 1: 7-8
- c. Widow Zarephath
- d. 1 Kings 17:9
- e. Ahab & Jezebel
- f. James 5:17

2. Widow met Elijah

- a. 1 Kings 17:10-12
- b. 1 Kings 17: 13-16
- c. Matt 10:41

3. 2nd Incredible Event

- a. 1 King 17: 18-24
- b. God answered Elijah's prayer
- c. Joy for Widow

4. Lessons for Today

- a. 1 Pet 5:6-7
- b. Rom 8:28
- c. Rom 8:16-18
- d. Rom 8:35-39
- e. Luke 6:35-38

5. 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)

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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

Mildred Wooten's uncle passed away last week. His service was Friday in Houston.

Jim Howard is still having difficulty with his knee that was infected, and still requires some medical attention.

Sherri Bayes is recovering from outpatient surgery on Friday.

Please remember that **Terri Shook** needs prayers and encouragement during her time of grief and while her husband, Robert, is in the hospital fighting cancer.

Continue to Remember: Wanda Horner, Shirley Wardlaw, Lanny Powers, Juanita McCary, Don Bowen, Royce Bunch, Aline Barrett, Melba & Eleanor Bower, Jerry Cockerham, Wanda Brown, Ricky Stepp, Velma McDougald, Anita Hawkins, Rita Dominy, Meagan Gould, Helen Strange, Caleb Ivie, & Ava Johnson

Announcements

Tonight, after the evening service, we will be meeting in the Outreach Center for an **Ice Cream Supper for Sam & Julie**. Thank you, Sam, for ten amazing years of faithful service to the Lord's church here at Westhill!

Summer Series "Pure & Practical Religion" *Inspired thoughts by James*, will continue Wednesday with David Mahoney teaching Trials: Joy/Wisdom/Reward.

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

Leadership Initiative for young men is scheduled for July 28-30. Registration is now available online.

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)

Please continue to remember and encourage our new **baptized Christian sisters, Korri Owens, McKenzie Rash, & Patricia Vargas.**

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

Birthdays This Week

June 18 - Margaret Ford & Caroline Southard

June 20 - Bobby Compton, Devin Garrett & Corey McDougald

June 21 - Jeanie Slaughter

June 22 - Sobe Jeffries, Paige Jennings & Emma Wilson

Next Week

Bible Class *The Life of the Apostle Paul*

AM Sermon TBA

PM Sermon TBA

Records for June 18, 2017

Bible Class	168
AM Worship.....	227
PM Worship.....	136
Wednesday.....	147
Contribution	\$9,457.25

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

Privileged to Serve

Song Leader	Joshua Haden
Opening Prayer	Darrell Olsen
Communion Leader	Scott Barham
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	Paul Slaughter
Nursery	Nancy Sloan & Kathi Pruitt
PM Song Leader	Justin Mahoney
PM Opening Prayer	James Horn
PM Closing Prayer	David Shastid
Wed. Song Leader	Paul Ross
Wed. Devotional	David Mahoney
June Contact Elder	Percell Milton