Those To Serve

Sunday, February 10, 2019

A.M. Prayers
Opening: Chester Tate
Closing: Ray England
N.H. Comm.: Ray England

P.M. Prayers
Opening: Jim Bangs
Closing: Bill Coles
Singing: Bobby Smithee

Wednesday, Feb. 13, 2019

Singing: Jason Goodman Devotional: Gary Bridgman

The Record:

Attendance:

Sunday, February 3, 2019

AM 91 PM 62 [Average for the Year]
AM [88] PM [55]

Wednesday, February 6, 2019

[Average for the Year] [51]

Contribution:

\$ 2,361.00 [Year-to-Date] \$ 10,485.00 [Average] \$ 2,097.00

Sermon Topics for February 10, 2019

A.M.—Maximum Mentality
P.M.—Ingredients of a Christian Character
Found in Philemon

Scripture Reading: Philemon 17-22

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SCHEDULE OF SERVICES

Sunday A. M. Classes: 9:00 Sunday A.M. Worship: 10:00 Sunday P.M. Worship: 5:00 Wed. Bible Study: 7:00 PM Tuesday Ladies Class 9:00 AM

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A Message from Bill:

Maximum Mentality

What kind of man did Paul know Philemon to be? If you study this one-chapter book, it is evident that Paul knew Philemon was a man of love (vs. 5, 7, 9), faith (v. 5), forgiveness (vs. 15-20), and prayer (v. 22). One other indicator in verse 21 speaks to Philemon's personality where Paul says, ". . . I write to you knowing that you will do even more than I say." Philemon was a person that exercised a *Maximum Mentality* that caused him to do more than what was asked or expected of him. Philemon possessed this quality that is seen in many places in the scripture and needs to be seen in the lives of all Christians.

The wise man Solomon alluded to the concept of *Maximum Mentality* in Ecclesiastes 9:10 where he said, "Whatever your hand finds to do, do it with your might; for there is no work or device or knowledge or wisdom in the grave where you are going." Solomon's words indicate a desire to do more than what is expected.

Our Lord believed in possessing a *Maximum Mentality* when He said in Matthew 5:40-42, "If anyone wants to sue you and take away your tunic, let him have your cloak also. And whoever compels you to go one mile, go with him two. Give to him who asks you, and from him who wants to borrow from you do not

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turn away." Jesus wanted His followers to go beyond what was asked of them.

The apostle Paul also believed in possessing a *Maximum Mentality*. In Colossians 3:23, Paul wrote, "And whatever you do, do it heartily, as to the Lord and not to men" Paul said to strive to please the Lord and not just man. Go beyond what man expects. Try to reach the expectations of the Lord.

How would your life change if you lived by the *Maximum Mentality* principle? Would you do more than what was expected of you at home, at work, and especially in your walk as a Christian?

Feeling North

Liviu Babitz can actually feel north. Implanted in his chest is a small device called North Sense, which vibrates when the wearer faces north, and Babitz is one of the first recipients of the technology (*Smithsonian Magazine*, January 18, 2017).

God gave humans five general senses: sight, smell, touch, hearing, and taste. The device mentioned above supposedly provides the wearer with the "extra sense" of direction. While having an implant which guides someone in a physical direction might appeal to some, it isn't vital in saving a human's life. It's optional. Spiritually speaking, having an implant which saves a human soul is an imperative.

We read in James 1:21 that we should "receive with meekness the implanted word of God," as it is able to save our souls. Once the word of God is implanted, there will be a sense of direction. In Philippians 3:14, Paul lets his readers know that he is pressing on "toward the goal for the prize of the upward call of God in Christ Jesus." The Hebrew writer in 1:1-2 instructs readers to run with endurance the race set before us, looking unto (fixing our eyes upon) Jesus.

Having the goal of getting to heaven requires a guidance system. When the word of God is implanted in us, we have an internal guidance system which will continually guide us as we travel the path toward heaven. Psalm 119:105 reinforces that God's word will light our paths.

Acknowledging God in all our ways is a vital step in being led in the right direction spiritually (Proverbs 3:6). "Show me Your ways, O Lord, teach me Your paths. Lead me in Your truth and teach me, for You are the God of my salvation; on You I wait all the day" (Psalm 25:4-5).

Troy Albers via Bulletin Digest

News and Notes

Those We Need to Remember in Prayer: Inez Cline had a lumpectomy Thursday. The surgery went well, and she is recovering at home. Kathy Atkins, Corrine Tate's sister, is being treated with a new cancer medicine. She has not responded to other treatments. Bob and Shirley Harris have been sick at home. Butch Minyard was in the hospital this past week. He is back home.

Others We Need to Remember in Prayer: Kathy Atkins, Joyce Blevins, Sue Bullard, Dave Clark, Inez Cline, Bill Coles, Buddy Colton, Hannah Cupp, Mildred Duncan, J.D. Everett, Nathan Fike, Bob Harris, Melvin Hudson, Lula Massey, Mark May, Willene McGuffey, Michael Reed, and Sam Ed Simmons (Patsy Thomas' nephew)

Children's Home Shopping List: BBQ Sauce

Senior Banquet: The Senior Banquet will be **Saturday**, **February 16 at 5:00 p.m.** A meal will be served followed by bingo and prizes. The banquet is for those 50 years young and older. As always, the meal will be served by the youth of the congregation. If you are coming, please sign the sheet on the table in the foyer.

Elders, Preachers, and Wives Meeting: The Elders, Preachers, and Wives Meeting will be Thursday, February 14 at Harrison Street at 10:00 a.m.

Romanian Children: If you are helping with the support of the children of Romania, please give your donation to Tammy Harris.