

Eisenhower Church of Christ

Real Riches for a New Year

Many people get so caught up in a hurried “me oriented” world with all its distractions and allurements that they miss out on real riches. To them, it is impossible to fathom the real riches of Christianity because it seems so foreign. As God’s people, we must show the real riches of Christianity so that others will come to know Jesus (Matthew 5:13-16; John 17:3). Too many Christians seem to just endure the Christian life when we ought to be enjoying it! (Philippians 4:4; 1 John 1:4). How we need to remember our riches in Christ!

We have the “riches of His goodness” (Romans 2:4). The Psalmist says, “the Lord is good” (Psalm 34:8) and how right he is! He provides for our needs, blesses us with family, friends, homes, clothing and food. Often the trouble is we forget His goodness and take our blessings for granted. By trying to count our blessings, we will truly be amazed at what our good God has done.

We have the “riches of His grace” (Ephesians 1:7). God is the God of all grace (1 Peter 5:10) and we may be confident that His grace is sufficient for every trial (1 Peter 1:6; 4:10). Because of His grace, we can know the Lord always gives us far better than we deserve! When, due to difficulties, we are tempted to look away from God, may He remind us that “my grace is sufficient for thee” (2 Corinthians 12:9).

We have “His riches in glory” (Philippians 4:19). This is so because we are heirs (Romans 8:15-17). We will reign with Christ in Heaven (2 Timothy 2:11). What joy it engenders to contemplate the riches that await the faithful child of God in eternity. It should be a source of never-ending praise to God that He would so bountifully provide redemption and eternal glory to souls so unworthy.

Jesus wants us to enjoy the “true riches” of Heaven (Luke 16:11) and not the passing riches of this wicked world (1 John 2:15-17). To emphasize heavenly wealth is joy and peace, but to emphasize the wealth of the world leaves one unsatisfied, destitute and spiritually bankrupt. Are you really rich or are your treasures in the wrong market?

— Mike Vestal

Is It Just a Coincidence?

- That the obsessive pursuit of pleasure never leads to it?
- That gossipers change friends a lot?
- That generous people sleep better and enjoy life more?
- That soul-winners are positive thinkers?
- That those who give the least of themselves, expect the most of others?
- That growing churches are filled with servants?
- That those who value “grace” are terrific at forgiving?

That children brought to Bible class usually remain faithful forever?
That parents who hold hands have happier children?
That those who neglect others, ultimately get neglected?
That as we pray more, we worry less?
That those who occasionally forsake an assembly often-times end up forsaking all the assemblies.

No!

—Bulletin Digest

Sympathy

Our sympathy goes out to the family of **Mildred Lee**. Mildred passed away around 8:16 pm on Friday, December 30th at Medical Center Hospital. She was under Hospice Care. Her funeral services were conducted at 12:00 noon, Saturday, January 7th, at the Eisenhower Church of Christ. Allen Weakland conducted her services. Keep this family in your prayers.

Prayer Request

Alyssa May was taken to the ER last Saturday for a high heart rate. She was treated and was able to go home that day. Alyssa is Larry and Janis May's daughter-in-law.

Don Easlon was not feeling well last Sunday and unable to be at services.

Michael Brown collapsed in his pulpit last Sunday morning following the sermon. He was taken to the ER and they found out that his high blood pressure medication reacted with the bronchitis prescription meds he was on. It caused, what they call a "heart stand still". His heart stopped for one minute and that's when he fell. Mike is home resting. He is Devida's brother-in-law who lives in Hillsboro, OH.

Concerns Update

Sylvia Campos is over her cold and was able to attend services last Sunday.

David Ryan is doing much better after having the Covid virus last week.

Prayer List

Wayne Anderson; Cesar Benavides; Marlen Berlanga; Betty Branson; Mitchell Bundick; Bill and Mary Brown; Glenna Callendar; LaDonna Chism; Cathy Eastwood; Mark Erwin; Hattie Gilmore; Paul Gunn; Doug Guynn; Yolanda Hernandez; Lon & Lana Howard; Paula Jones; Chuck Keith; Charles Lewis; Jason Moore; Melissa Moore; Juan & Estella Morolez; Ken & Angie Orr, Bruce & Trina Plyler; Terresia Weaver; Carolyn Wilkerson; Ron Williams; Bill Wood; John Wood; (baby) Sarah York;

Eisenhower's Shut-ins

Glenna Callendar; LaVerne Couch, James & Joyce Drake; Ronda Lyne; Dusty and Kathy Marshall; Janelle Shirley and Marilyn Upshaw.

Events

Watch "***In Search of the Lord's Way***" Sunday mornings at 7:30 am on KWES TV 9.

Youth

Bible Knowledge ... "Facts It To Me"

Once Ezekiel was sitting in his house when a big hand picked him up by the hair of his head and took him somewhere between heaven and earth. (Ezekiel 8:3)

People weren't given permission to eat meat until after the flood. (Genesis 9:3)

Which Church did the Eunuch Join?

Acts 8 records the conversion of the eunuch. The record says that Philip “preached unto him Jesus.” He believed, made the confession and was baptized. Jesus had said, “He that believes and is baptized shall be saved.” (Mark 16:16). So the eunuch was saved. But what about his church membership? There is nothing said about him joining a church. No church voted to receive him. What was the eunuch religiously after baptism? All will admit that the eunuch was a Christian and thus a church member.

Of which church was he a member? It is obvious he did not belong to any current denomination, as such did not exist then. Also, he would have failed in meeting their entrance requirements.

Notice these simple facts: the Lord, Himself, has a church. (Matthew 16:18). This church was in existence when the eunuch was converted. (Acts 2). The Lord added the saved to His church. (Acts 2:47). Since the Lord had been adding the saved to the church, don’t you suppose he added the “saved eunuch” likewise?

A saved person cannot possibly bypass the Lord’s church. The very same thing that saves one from past sins makes one a member of the Lord’s church.

The eunuch obeyed the gospel and was added by the Lord to His church. He was not voted into it, by man, nor did he subscribe to any man-made creed.

Kind reader, you, too, can become a New Testament Christian and be added to Christ’s church. Just do the same things the eunuch did.

“There is one body and one Spirit, just as you were called in one hope of your calling, one Lord, one faith, one baptism; one God and Father of all, who is above all and through all and in you all.” (Ephesians 4:4-6).

“For as the body is one and has many members, but all the members of that one body, being many, are one body, so also is Christ. For by one Spirit we were all baptized into one body.” (1 Cor.12:12-13)

—Bobby Key

January 8th, 2023

Announcements
Song Leader
Sermon
Opening Prayer
Scripture
Second Prayer
Closing Prayer

A.M.

Allen Weakland
Craig Wesson
Allen Weakland
Allen Weakland
Richard Siler
Jeff Wesson
Doug Guynn

P.M.

Allen Weakland
Steve Easlon
Allen Weakland
Allen Weakland
Isaiah Armendarez
Cody Wesson
Charles Wood

Lords Supper

Larry May
Steve Easlon
Phil Halbert
Travis Ruckman

Bill Ryan
Communion
(In Library)

Other Responsibilities: *Elder:* Allen Weakland 254-8209 *Deacon:* John Wood 413-7444 — *Pulpit:* Scot Straw 288-4533 — *Table:* Bill Ryan 352-4871 — *Song Leaders:* Cody Wesson 934-4646 — *Recording Sermons:* Cody Wesson 934-4646 — *Collections:* Cody Wesson

Sunday AM

“Trials into Triumphs”
(James 1:2-12)

Sunday PM

“Keeping up with the Joneses’ “
(Judges 12:1-3)

Our Records

Bible Class... 62

Morning Worship...110

Evening Worship ... 68

Wednesday...59

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