

Eisenhower Church of Christ

Wolves in the Flock

It seems that, as time passes, more and more people do not want to hear the Bible. Let me rephrase that, more and more people do not want to hear the “old time way of thinking” about the Bible. More and more Christians do not want to hear sound doctrine. “Sound doctrine” has become intolerant, unloving, and hard-hearted. In times past anyone who stood on Biblical principles was held in high esteem. Now Bible-believing people are labeled bigoted, unloving or archaic.

Sadly, times have changed and so have we. We no longer want to accept a gospel of “one way.” We can no longer accept a gospel of “God’s way or no way.” We can no longer accept a gospel that demands obedience. We have outgrown that way of thinking. Being progressive means that we and our faith are based on love, love that is defined as tolerant, open to all ideas, open to all people and open to every way of thinking. To be any less is intolerant and old-fashioned. Passages such as **Romans 14** are used to defend this new mindset. This passage centers on personal rights and accepting each other’s differences. According to the “new mindset,” this passage teaches that we are not to sit in judgment on anyone about anything. Throw in Matthew 7:1 and we must, according to the “new mindset,” accept anything and anyone’s ideas.

In this age of “political correctness,” being moral or having spiritual values is socially wrong. Sharing or teaching these morals and values is intolerant and oppressive. The politically correct believe that loving God enough to obey His word has become the downfall of America.

The sad fact, brethren, is that we Christians are part of this downward spiral. Unfortunately, we are leading this kind of thinking in some areas. We often encourage this kind of thinking and misapplication of scripture. We allow this kind of mentality to take residence in our hearts and soon we are as guilty of “crucifying the Son of God afresh” as the atheist or agnostic.

Where does it stop? How far will it go before we realize what is happening? How long will we sit by as the world changes the church instead of the church changing the world? We are a peculiar people, a royal priesthood, a chosen generation—we are different from the world. Are we afraid of being different? Maybe our hearts are so full of the world that we don’t really care. Maybe our hearts are inhabited by Satan, and we like it this way.

Elders, preachers, teachers and followers of the gospel of Jesus Christ,

beware! Satan is going all out to entice us, and he is using our own brethren as temptations. If I may, let me quote from that old, outdated book, “...*take heed unto yourselves and to all the flock...for I know this, after my departing shall grievous wolves enter in among you not sparing the flock*” (Acts 20:28 & 29). Brethren—the wolves are here!!

—David Stofel
Pulaski St. Church of Christ
Lawrenceburg, TN

Response

Our hearts were made to rejoice when **Kaci Marrs** responded to the invitation. She came forward confessing her sins and expressed her desire to be restored to the Lord’s church. Welcome home, Kaci.

Prayer Requests

James Drake is at home but not doing very well at this time. He suffers from diabetes and heart problems. He is in need of prayers.

Ruby Davis is in failing health. She was taken to the Scharbauer Manor Cottages. We have posted the mailing address on the bulletin board.

Mary Brown had the second procedure done on her neck, Wednesday, February 15th. We pray that this will alleviate the pain she has been having for so long.

Concerns Update

Rudy Ochoa was able to come home from the hospital Friday, February 10th. Please keep him on your prayer list.

Ann Wilson (Denny’s mother) has made some progress but is not completely out of the woods yet. We need to continue to keep Ann on our prayer list.

Bill Tolbert had a pacemaker put in, Tuesday, February 14th, which will help regulate his heart beat.

Keep **Trina Plyler** (George & Jurlean’s daughter) in your prayers that she will soon get the needed surgery and that all will go well for her.

Prayer List

David Alaniz; Lee Roy Bell, Betty Branson; Mary Brown; Bill Bundick; Mitchell Bundick; Sissy Bundick; Betty Burns; Crystal Card; Glynn Chandler; Linda and Sonny Coggins; John Cole; Barbara Crowder; Ruby Davis; Dayton Dennard; James & Joyce Drake; John Ford; Shane Ford; Marjorie Foster; Melida Frazier; Jenny Fuls; Jane Gibbons; Hattie Gilmore; Maria Guzman; Anna Groves; Lon Howard; Charles Jones; Janis Laminack; Jody Langford; Cheyenne Lozano; Elder & Glenna McCarty; Jason Moore; Russ Montgomery; Juan & Estella Morolez; Carolyn Morrison; Rudy Ochoa; Trina Plyler; Ivan Rigsby; Lester Savoy; Cynthia Schulze; Andrew Schwarz; Janelle Shirley; Brenda Simmons; Charles Simmons; James Stephens; John Tessorf; Bill Tolbert; Marilyn Upshaw; James Weaver; Judy Wells; Lisa Wells; Ann Wilson; John Wood; Jack Wright; Paula Wyatt; Toya Zambelli.

Eisenhower's Shut-ins

Ruby Davis; Roberta Hamil; Janice Laminack; Dusty and Kathy Marshall; Maxine Newton; Janelle Shirley; and Lester Whisenant.

Youth

Bible Quiz Question...

There were three sons of Noah who were with him in the ark, namely, Shem, Ham, and Japheth. Which one was the father of "Canaan" according to Genesis 9:18?

Last Week's Bible Quiz answer...

Besides Elijah, Enoch was the only other person who lived on the earth who did not die but was just "taken away".

Thank You

Dear Eisenhower family,

Thank you all so much for the generous gift you gave Don and I. We were so moved by your thoughtfulness. We weren't surprised by your kindness because God's family here is the most generous and loving people ever, but we were humbled to be so blessed by y'all! Thanks again,

Love,
Don & Nancy Easlon

Events

Watch "***In Search of the Lord's Way***" every Sunday morning at 7:00 am on KWES TV 9, (New West 9)

Also, tune in to hear a message from the Brown Trail Church of Christ on the "**Speaking the Truth in Love**" program every Sunday at 8:00 a.m. on ABC.

This evening, following our service, is our "**Sunday Night Family Devotional**". It is "make your own pizza night". Crust provided; bring toppings & see who wins the best pizza prize.

Office News

The "**New Mexico Children's Home**" will be back in Odessa March 7th, 2017. They are requesting **Apple Cider Vinegar and plain Vinegar**. Monetary donations also accepted.

Food for Thought

Experience is that which recognizes a mistake the second time around.

Finding a way to live the simple life today is man's most complicated task.

Too many reach for the stool when there is a piano to be moved.

February 19, 2017

Announcements
 Song Leader
 Sermon
 Opening Prayer
 Scripture
 Second Prayer
 Closing Prayer

A.M.

Allen Weakland
 Craig Wesson
 Allen Weakland
 Allen Weakland
 Trinidad Wood
 Bill Tolbert
 Bill Ryan

P.M.

Allen Weakland
 Cody Wesson
 Allen Weakland
 Allen Weakland
 Josh Weakland
 Charles Wood
 Don Easlon

Lord's Supper

West...

Bill Ryan

Jr. Munoz

Tony Marrs

John Wood

Communion

(In Library)

East...

Mike Roemisch

Don Easlon

Larry May

Other Responsibilities: *Elder:* Allen Weakland 362-1403 *Deacon:* Jr. Munoz 363-1309 *Pulpit:* Tom Sorenson 631-2518 *Table:* John Wood 413-7444 *Song Leaders:* Denny Wilson 325-340-2291 *Recording Duties:* Chris Butler 362-7486 *Collections:* John Wood & Tom Sorenson

Sunday AM*"Biggest Mistakes"**(Romans 3:1-8)***Sunday PM***"Moved by Compassion"**(Matthew 9:35-38)***Our Records***Bible Class... 59**Morning Worship...125**Evening Worship...65**Wednesday...76**Contribution...\$3,516.03*