

Eisenhower Church of Christ

Heaven-Centered Thinking

Oh how we need more heaven-centered minds! Many have forgotten that this world is not our home and that we're just passing through. Carnal-mindedness is rampaging across our land, and it has even filtered into the Lord's body. So many people are so wrapped up in the cares and affairs of this life that they have made little or no preparation for the next life.

The Holy Scriptures constantly emphasize the need for heaven-centered thinking and living. Paul said, "***Seek those things which are above, where Christ sitteth on the right hand of God. Set your affection on things above, not on things on the earth.***" (Colossians 3:12). The Colossians needed to revamp their thinking to be more heaven-centered rather than earth-centered.

Oh how we need to emulate and imitate the heaven-centered thinking of the heroes of faith chronicled in Hebrews 11. They confessed that they were strangers and pilgrims on the earth (Hebrews 11:13). They desired a better country, that is, a heavenly country (Hebrews 11:16). They realized that here we have no continuing city, but we seek one to come (Hebrews 13:14). Abraham looked for a city which hath no foundations, whose builder and maker is God (Hebrews 11:10). It was heaven-centered thinking that prompted Moses to choose rather to suffer affliction with the people of God than to enjoy the passing pleasures of sin for a season (Hebrews 11:25).

Likewise, heaven-centered thinking will enable us to remember to love not the world, neither the things in the world (I John 2:15). Let us never forget that the world passeth away and the lust thereof; but he that doeth the will of God abideth forever (I John 2:17).

—B. J. Clarke

This is Today

Today is here. I will start with a smile, and resolve to be agreeable. I will not criticize. I refuse to waste my valuable time.

Today has one thing in which I know I am equal to others-time. All of us draw the same salary in seconds, minutes, and hours.

Today I will not waste my time, because the minutes I wasted yesterday are as lost as a vanished thought.

Today I refuse to spend time worrying about what might happen. I am going to spend my time making things happen.

Today I am determined to study and improve myself, for tomorrow I may be wanted, and I must not be found lacking.

Today I am determined to do things I should do. I firmly determine to stop doing the things I should not do.

Today I begin by doing, and not wasting my time. In one week I will be miles beyond the person that I am today.

Today I will not imagine what I would do if things were different. They are not different. I will make success with what material I have.

Today I will stop saying, "If I had the time," for I never will "find time" for anything if I want time I will make it.

Today I will act toward other people as though this might be my last day on earth. I will not wait for tomorrow because tomorrow may never come.

—**Author Unknown**

Response

Marilyn Upshaw came forward at the invitation Sunday, October 16th, asking us to pray that she will become more faithful in the Lord and that she will have a speedy recovery. Please keep Marilyn in your prayers.

Sympathy

Our sympathy goes out to Glenda Hillis and her family in the loss of her mother, **Nina Sledge**. Nina passed away Saturday, October 15th at MCH. A graveside service was held Tuesday, October 18th at Sunset Memorial Gardens. Allen Weakland conducted the service.

Prayer Request

Maria Anaya is asking prayers for her son, **David Alaniz**. He underwent kidney stone surgery Monday, October 17th at ORMC. The surgery went well; they were able to break up and remove the stones. David is having some pain but was able to go home.

Both **Bill** and **Mary Brown** had doctor's appointments Monday, October 17th. Mary is still having neck pain and may have an X-ray or MRI done.

Glenna McCarty is having problems with the medication for her cold. It keeps her awake at night. Glenna is consulting a physician about the possibility of a sinus infection.

Keep **Elder McCarty** in your prayers. He is in a weakened state. His legs give out on him at times.

Janelle Shirley has asked for prayers as she goes through testing regarding some problems she is having and she also has concerns regarding her vision which she is having checked out.

Carolyn Siler is under the weather with Bronchitis.

Prayer List

Lee Roy Bell, Betty Branson; Mary Brown; Bill Bundick; Mitchell Bundick; Sissy Bundick; Barbara Crowder; Dayton Dennard; James & Joyce Drake; John Ford; Hattie Gilmore; Anna Groves; Lon Howard; Charles Jones; Connie Lowe; Elder & Glenna McCarty; Juan & Estella Morolez; Rudy Ochoa; Trina Plyler; Andrew Schwarz; Charles Simmons; John Tessendorf; Marilyn Upshaw; James Weaver; Judy Wells; Lisa Wells; Ann Wilson; John Wood; 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...

How many times was Paul shipwrecked?

Last Week's Bible Quiz answer...

Naaman took some earth from Israel back to Syria.

Events

There will be a **"Prayer Service"** November 6th. We would like to encourage all our members to be here as we go to the Lord in prayer concerning our country.

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.

Thank You

Eisenhower Church of Christ,

You make my day, when I hear from you. You all are so sweet. Thank you Devida and to everyone else. You're the best!

Toya Zambelli

Office News

The **"Tipton Children's Home"** truck will be in Odessa next week (October 25-27) to pick up any food items and supplies. They are requesting... **Whole Dill Pickles, (Saltines, Club, Ritz Crackers), Assorted Cereal, Chicken Broth, Sliced Peaches, Green Chilies, Canned Tuna & Chicken. (Requested Supplies) Aluminum Foil, 13 and 30 Gallon Can Liners, Deodorant, Shampoo, Conditioner, Small liquid hand soaps.**

The **"New Mexico Children's Home"** will be back in Odessa December 7th, 2016. They are requesting **Tea Bags** and **Koolaid**. Monetary donations also accepted.

Thoughts to Remember...

Getting even puts you on his level.

No matter how much you nurse a grudge it will not get better.

The greatest cross in life is to be without a cross.

The more one grows up, the less one blows up.

October 23, 2016

Announcements

Song Leader

Sermon

Opening Prayer

Scripture

Second Prayer

Closing Prayer

Lord's Supper

West...

East...

A.M.

Larry May

Jacob Carson

Allen Weakland

Larry May

Josh Wells

John Wood

Jeff Wesson

Don Easlon

Craig Wesson

Jr. Munoz

Jacob Carson

Dex Dennard

Josh Weakland

P.M.

Larry May

Larry May

Allen Weakland

Larry May

Mike Roemisch

Craig Wesson

Charles Wood

Chris Butler

Communion

(In Library)

Other Responsibilities: **Elder :** Larry May 638-3990 **Deacon:** Richard Siler 362-1392 **Pulpit:** Josh Wells 770-6753 **Table:** Chris Butler 362-7486 **Song Leaders:** Denny Wilson 325-340-2291; **Recording Duties:** Rudy Ochoa 214-0398 **Collections:** Rudy Ochoa 214-0398

Sunday AM

"Walking in the Fear of the Lord"

(Acts 9:31)

Sunday PM

"A Matter of Perspective"

(1 Peter 4:7-11)

Our Records

Bible Class... 77

Morning Worship...135

Evening Worship...70

Wednesday...85

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