

Eisenhower Church of Christ

Do Two Walk Together?

Amos was a prophet from Tekoa, which was about six miles south of Bethlehem. He ministered during the reigns of Uzziah over Judah and Jeroboam II over Israel in the 8th century B.C. His primary message was a warning to the pagan nations and to Israel of God's impending judgment. A key part of this warning is in the form of a discourse in which God lamented Israel's departure from the faith (Amos 3:1-8). This departure was made all the worse because God had chosen Israel from among all the families of the earth, but they had rejected Him (v.2).

In Amos 3:3-6 God asked a series of questions, each of which implied a negative response. The most important of these questions is in v. 3, where God asked, ***"Can two walk together, except they be agreed?"*** The obvious answer is, "No." Two people cannot walk together if they have not agreed to do so. The implication, of course, is that Israel was no longer in agreement with God. They were walking their own way, which was clearly not God's way.

This is such a simple, yet powerful illustration of a fundamental truth in our relationship with God. We cannot walk together with God if we are trying to go our own way through life. The Old Testament certainly affirms this truth in case after case. Moses frequently admonished Israel to carefully keep God's command and to not turn aside to the right or to the left (Deuteronomy 5:32). In other words, Israel must agree to walk God's way in order to be blessed.

This principle was reaffirmed by our Lord during His ministry on the earth. In the Sermon on the Mount He stated it very simply in Matthew 7:13, 14. He said, ***"Enter through the narrow gate; for the gate is wide and the way is broad that leads to destruction, and there are many who enter through it. For the gate is small and the way is narrow that leads to life, and there are few who find it."*** He further emphasized this truth in John 14:6 where He said, ***"I am the way, and the truth, and the life; no one comes to the Father but through Me."***

It's hard to argue with these statements. God the Father said two cannot walk together unless they agree to do so. His Son, our Savior, said there is only one way that leads to life and He is it. No one will come to the Father except through Him. Therefore, we must agree to walk the Lord's way in order to have eternal life.

Agreeing to walk the Lord's way means that we subjugate our will to His will. It means that we do not second guess God's will, or question the direction it leads us. It means that we commit to obeying all that He commanded us, just as the Lord said in Matthew 28:20. Walking together with the Lord means that we acknowledge that He is God and His will must be done, on earth as it is in heaven.

There are many today who claim to be walking with God. The airwaves are full of preachers who eloquently declare their fidelity to God and call others to walk with them as they walk with God. The proof in the pudding, as it were, however, is whether these proclamations agree with what God's word has revealed. God accepted no variation from His will among His chosen people Israel, who served what Hebrews calls the shadow of the good things to come (Hebrews 10:1). How much more so, then, is this the case among those who live and serve in the reality of the kingdom? The only way we can get to heaven is to walk together with our God as He leads us there through His inspired word. Don't you agree?"

—Fred Dominguez

Prayer Requests

Patsy Montgomery received a discouraging report from her last doctor's visit. Please keep her in your prayers that things will turn around and the prognosis becomes more encouraging for her. Patsy lives in Bainbridge, OH.

Concerns Update

Ora McAfee's neck surgery went well and she is doing okay. She was expected to be in the hospital for a day or so.

Prayer List

Lee Roy Bell; Susan Bosse; Mack Bradford; Charles Browning; Bill Bundick; Neva Carrigan; Steve Chavez; Cruz Coe; Dayton Dennard; Jewell Bettes-Dennard; James & Joyce Drake; John Ford; Hattie Gilmore; Anna Groves; Opal Hager; Linda Horton; Lon & Lana Howard; Bobby Hunt; Bryan Jernigan; Andrué LaFlure; Susan Lee; Tracy Leeth; Connie Lowe; Ora McAfee; Jill McAfee; Jack McCarty; Anna McGlothlin; Flossie Montgomery; Patsy Montgomery; Juan & Estella Morolez; Trina Plyler; Evan Rector; Elvia Ruckman; Blair Saldana; Andrew Schwarz; Christa Bella Sellers; Brenda Simmons; Thelma Smith; Marilyn Upshaw; Teresa Vires; Bré elle Watts; Hannah Weakland; Lisa Wells; Carolyn Wilkerson; Jack Wright

Eisenhower's Shut-ins

Mildred Bell; Neva Carrigan; Ruby Davis; Jewell Dennard; Roberta Hamil; Janice Laminack; Dusty and Kathy Marshall; Janelle Shirley, Wilma Squire and Lester Whisenant;

Youth

Bible Quiz Question...

How many years were the Israelites in Egypt?

Last Week's Bible Quiz answer...

Simon Peter and John were the two disciples who first heard that Jesus had risen from the dead.

FYI

Denny Wilson is hosting a weekly radio program called "**Christian Take Aim**" at 6:30 pm Tuesdays; www.thegospelradionetwork.org. Feel free to please pick up a business card on the youth table in the foyer.

Watch "**In Search of the Lord's Way**" every Sunday morning at 7:30 am on CBS, channel 7.

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.

Events

John and Sonia Wood are hosting the "**Family Devotional**" this evening following our service. Boys bring drinks; girls bring chips. For more information see John or Sonia.

Thank you

To all at Eisenhower,

We want to thank everyone for the continued calls, cards and prayers on our behalf and especially the goodies basket I received from the Ladies Class. It was appreciated very much.

In Christian Love,

Neva and Harold Carrigan

Office News

Our “Food Pantry” is low on food. It needs to be kept supplied with food and supplies for the children’s homes and those in need especially at the holiday season.

The New Mexico Children’s Home will be in Odessa Tuesday, December 8th for a food drive. They are requesting **Cream of Chicken Soup**. Monetary donations also accepted.

There is a sign-up sheet in the foyer for those who would like to host a “Family Devotional”. We need hosts for 2016. The devotionals are held in the annex the last Sunday of each month after our evening service. Please put your name beside the month that works for you.

There will be a “Ladies’ Project Night” Thursday, November 12th at 6:30 p.m. Bring a snack if you wish.

All Mixed Up

We are living in a mixed up world.

Some protest the wearing of animal skins which God created and used to cover man’s body (Genesis 3:21).

Some cry out for “pro-choice”, which means kill the unborn, unwanted life within that has no choice. God calls it murder (Exodus 21:23).

Some want human rights for murderers who selfishly and often unmercifully took away someone else’s rights. God recommends punishment (Romans 13:1-7).

Some want to handcuff the police and release the criminal. God calls that hypocrisy (Isaiah 5:19,20).

Some want to take discipline away from the teachers and put it in the hands of the students. That is chaos (Proverbs 22:6).

Some want a paycheck, but not work. God calls that laziness (Proverbs 6:9).

Without God, we become mixed up.

—Bulletin Digest

A Wise Old Owl

“A wise old owl sat on an oak. The more he saw the less he spoke. The less he spoke the more he heard. Why aren’t we like that wise old bird?”

Owl Hollow church of Christ
Winchester, TN

October 25th, 2015	A.M.	P.M.
Announcements	Larry May	Larry May
Song Leader	Denny Wilson	Jacob Carson
Sermon	Allen Weakland	Allen Weakland
Opening Prayer	Larry May	Larry May
Scripture	Don Easlon	Tom Sorenson
Second Prayer	Charles Wood	John Wood
Closing Prayer	Bill Tolbert	Craig Wesson
Lord's Supper		
West...	Trinidad Wood	Josh Wells
	Bill Ryan	Communion
	John Carroll	(In Library)
East...	Cody Wesson	
	Jr. Munoz	
	Richard Siler	

Other Responsibilities: *Elder* : Larry May 638-3990 *Deacon*: John Wood 230-0689 *Pulpit*: Chris Butler 362-7486; *Table*: Josh Wells 770-6753; *Song Leaders*: Denny Wilson 325-340-2291; *Recording Duties*: Dex Dennard 296-1582; *Collections*: Dex Dennard 296-1582

Sunday AM”

“Question between the Plagues”

(Exodus 10:3)

Sunday PM

“Garden of Gethsemane”

(Mark 14:32-42)

Our Records

Bible Class...110

Morning Worship...135

Evening Worship...70

Wednesday...71

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