# Pleasant View Proclaimer

### **Pleasant View church of Christ**

## The Perfect Day

If you could design the perfect day, what would it include? Would you sleep in, or would you get up early to fit in as much activity as possible? Where would you go? What would you do? Who would you spend it with? Naturally, most people would say that their perfect day would include all of their favorites -favorite pastimes, favorite foods, and favorite people. No one would include work in this perfect day. No one would want to pay their bills or clean their house. Anyone would jump at the opportunity to enjoy a day that brought nothing but absolute joy.

This hypothetical day, regardless of your specially

designed schedule, would have one inevitable negative drawback. The activities and people would be special and joyful, but there is one flaw that can't be avoided: it is only a day-a mere twenty-four hours. You've heard the saving. "All good things must come to an end." While this is not necessarily the most positive outlook, in the scope of humanity, it is absolutely true. II Corinthians 4 reminds us that everything in this world is temporary. Every wonderful, near-perfect day you've experienced so far in your life is over. Likewise, every spectacular day in your future will come to an end.

There is, however, one per-

fect thing that won't come to an end, and that is Heaven. It won't just last a day, a week, or a year. It will be an eternity of dwelling with a Father who loves you. All of the things of this world that you would eliminate to create a perfect day will not be worries in Heaven. All pain, tears, and suffering will be absent there (Revelation 21:4). Conversely, neither will there be the earthly things that bring you joy. Our eternity in Heaven will be full of joy that our minds cannot yet comprehend, and our voices will sing praise to our Father.

James Hayes

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#### Items of Note:

- Jessica Humston is currently undergoing in-hospital, strong chemotherapy treatments. She is scheduled to go home Tuesday.
- Becky Rose will have wrist surgery Thursday.
- John Hayes had chemotherapy treatment Wednesday. He has not experienced side effects as of yet.
- J.W. Head is in Parthenon Pavillion.

## VBS Begins Next Sunday Night; Cookout Next Saturday At 3:00 Hillcrest Nursing Home Worship Today at 2:30

## THOSE WHO WILL SERVE THE CONGREGATION

Sunday School Read: J. Walker Pray: J.L. Shelton

Morning Worship Wait on the Table: Garrett Serve: Demonbreum, Donkin, Gupton Pray: Brown

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Sunday School: 9:30 A.M. Worship: 10:30 P.M. Worship: 6:00 Wednesday Bible Study: 7:00 pm Phone: 924-9714

I Corinthians 6:19 "Or do you not know that your body is a temple of the Holy Spirit who is in you, whom you have from God, and that you are not your own?" "No one ever told me that grief felt so much like fear."

C.S. Lewis

"The friend who can be silent with us in a moment of despair and confusion, who can stay with us during an hour of grief and bereavement, who can tolerate not knowing...not healing, not curing...that is a friend who cares."

Henri Nouwen

# The Real Intruder

Most of us spent this past Mother's Day remembering special women who have dedicated their lives to their children. For Kyle and Tennyson Jacobson of North Bend, Washington, however, this Mother's Day was one they'd rather not remember. The saga began that afternoon when Tennyson was assaulted by an intruder in her home. The man stole some money from her purse, hit her, and fled. The Jacobsons tucked their baby girl into bed that night still reeling from the trauma of the day's events, only to be awakened at 2 a.m. to the sound of their dogs barking. For unknown reasons, the same intruder had returned to their house. Armed with a baseball bat

and a can of wasp spray, Kyle Jacobson fought to defend his family. His wife then grabbed a kitchen knife and came to his aid, ultimately killing the intruder. On Facebook later that day, Tennyson stated that she was thankful for a husband who was willing to risk his life to defend her and her child. Based on the details of the incident, he too should be thankful for a brave spouse.

While hopefully none of us will ever have to experience the horror of what the Jacobson family went through, each of us are faced with a far greater evil every single day. Satan comes at us with weapons that are far scarier than guns and knives. He doesn't just attack our physical bodies; our souls are in danger everyday. While Kyle and Tennyson Jacobson came to each other's aide in order to protect their family, those of us in Christ can rest assured that our Savior fights for us even in the midst of the worst of adversities. According to Galatians 5:1, "It is for freedom that Christ has set us free. Stand firm, then, and do not let vourselves be burdened again by a yoke of slavery." Despite all that Satan throws at us, repeatedly invading our lives, we can know that Jesus Christ died for us, and the battle has been won.

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