
Pleasant View church of Christ
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Sunday School: 9:30
A.M. Worship: 10:30
P.M. Worship: 6:00
Wednesday Bible Study: 7:00 pm
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Psalms 119:1-2

“How blessed are those
whose way is blameless, who
walk in the law of the Lord.
How blessed are those who
observe His testimonies.
Who seek Him with all their
heart.”

“I imagine one the reasons people cling to their
hates so stubbornly is because they sense, once
hate is gone, they will be forced to deal with the
pain.”

James Baldwin

“I will permit no man to narrow and degrade
my soul by making me hate him.”

Booker T. Washington

Showing Respect

We all know the Golden Rule: “Do unto others as you would have them do unto you.” There is one word that defines that verse: respect. Jesus didn’t command us to be best friends with every person we meet. He didn’t say that you had to go on a vacation with every member of your congregation. He didn’t expect everybody to cheer for the same teams and enjoy the same restaurants. But He did command us to respect everyone. Treat others the way you want to be treated.

All these verses center on respect: “Do nothing from selfishness or empty conceit, but with humility of mind regard one another as more important than yourselves” (Phil.

2:3). “Be devoted to one another in brotherly love; give preference to one another in honor” (Rom. 12:10). “You shall rise up before the greyheaded and honor the aged, and you shall revere your God; I am the Lord” (Lev. 19:32).

Each generation of Americans seems to be less respectful than the previous one. Why? Because being fair has taken the place of being respectful. Some think fairness and respectfulness are the same thing, but they’re not. Fairness focuses on self—“I must receive the same things as everyone around me.” Respect focuses on others—“Are the people around me receiving the honor they deserve?”

How can you show respect? Listen more than you talk. Put down your cell phone when you’re with company. Say “yes, sir” and “yes, ma’am” to seniors. Don’t manipulate the system to your advantage—play by the rules. Agree to disagree, and put your weapons down. Be quick to compliment and slow to criticize. Rejoice with those who rejoice and weep with those who weep. Say little when you win and less when you lose. Remember that the world doesn’t owe you anything. Say little when you win and less when you lose. And remember that the world doesn’t owe you anything.

James Hayes

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The Effect of a Gospel Meeting

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This week we concluded an excellent Gospel Meeting with David Morris. David's series on love challenged us to look at our relationship with God and our relationship with those around us in a deeper way. We are thankful for capable, God-fearing men like David who can take challenging passages and teach them in a practical way.

This Gospel Meeting actually began two weeks ago when our youth and many adults handed out flyers in several subdivisions around Pleasant View. It would be easy to look at that effort and say, "I didn't see anybody at the Meeting who came because of the door-knocking. It was a waste of

time." (By the way, there was one person who came because of the door-knocking and brought friends.) But door-knocking and other evangelistic events cannot be judged by their immediate impact. Just by handing out those flyers, the community around our church building saw that we care about our church and that we wanted them to be part of what we were doing. Months from now, there might be someone in those neighborhoods who says, "I need to start going to church. Those people from Pleasant View knocked on my door one day. I'll start there."

We must also remember

that Gospel Meetings cannot only be judged by the number of responses during the services. While it is true that no one responded last week, that doesn't mean that hearts weren't changed by the lessons. We have a tendency to want measurable results from the things we do. We love numbers. But numbers don't always tell the whole story.

Thank you to everyone who prepared food last Sunday. And thank you to everyone who invited someone to be with us during the Meeting. When each person is committed to what we do, our congregation will grow.

James Hayes

Items of Note:

- Morgan Craig, the 3-year-old nephew of Faye Head, will have major surgery on August 5th at Vanderbilt.
- David Billingsley had outpatient surgery Friday.
- Dr. Kent Brantly, a member of the church in Fort Worth, has contracted Ebola in Liberia.
- Continue to pray for Mildred Walker, Jay and Carolyn Newell, Mitch Newell, and Christians in the Ukraine.

Hillcrest Nursing Home Worship Today At 2:30 Bible Bowl Practice At 5:00

THOSE WHO WILL SERVE THE CONGREGATION

Sunday School

Read: Shelton

Pray: Reed

Morning Worship

Wait on the Table: Garrett

Serve: Trent, Gupton, Terry Walker

Pray: Billingsley