

Pleasant View Proclaimer

Pleasant View church of Christ

Sensitive Skin

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If you see a commercial for a product that cures, manages, or treats sensitive skin, I've probably used it. In the winter, I use moisturizer because my skin dries easily. In the summer, I burn easily, so I use sunscreen if I know I'm going to be outside for a long time. When it comes to shaving, I've used all types shaving cream and all types of razors, both manual and electric, because my face is sensitive to razor burn. This, combined with my seasonal allergies, clearly shows that God made me to be an indoor human.

Sensitive skin is not preventable; some people just have it. But there's another type of sensitive skin. It's

not physical; it's emotional. This type of sensitive skin can most often be found in children. They cry the second they don't get their way. They laugh at inappropriate times. They are argumentative, selfish, and needy in every way.

Unfortunately, some adults have not shed their childish, sensitive skin. They are quick-tempered, which is sinful (James 1:19). They are impatient, which is also sinful (Eph. 4:2). These people have matured physically, but they are emotional infants.

To those who are emotionally sensitive, I say this: It's hard to have a relationship with you. It's like walking

on egg shells. You turn compliments into criticisms and criticisms into World War III. I'd love to talk to you about anything and everything, but I am afraid you'll make a mountain out of a molehill. Also know that your prolonged sensitivity will keep push people away from you and prevent you from receiving the help you might need one day. It will be difficult for you to attract new friends.

We all have bad days. We all care about some issues more than we care about others. But emotional sensitivity should happen in moments; it shouldn't become your reputation.

James Hayes

Items of Note:

- Lydia Newell had surgery last week on her gums. She is recovering well at home.
- James' book is \$11. Sign up on the back wall if you'd like one.
- We need a teacher for the high school class and the babies class for VBS. See Mike.
- Remember JW Head, Mildred Walker, Addie Farmer, the Newells, Judy York, Leon Salings, and Rick Reed.

Building Fund Contribution Today! VBS Is June 21-25—Classes For Children And Adults

THOSE WHO WILL SERVE THE CONGREGATION

Sunday School

Read: J. Buchanan

Pray: Gupton

Morning Worship

Wait on the Table: E. Walker

Serve: Demonbreum, Reed, E. Simpkins

Pray: J. Baker

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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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James 1:12

“Blessed is the man who perseveres under trial; for once he has been approved, he will receive the crown of life which the Lord has promised to those who love Him.”

“To live is the rarest thing in the world. Most people exist, that is all.”

Oscar Wilde

“Life is what happens to you while you’re busy making other plans.”

Allen Saunders

False Doctrine

The Bible teaches that there is right teaching and wrong teaching. Correct teaching and beliefs are called “sound doctrine” (Titus 2:1). Wrong teaching and beliefs are called “false teaching” or “false doctrine” (I Tim. 6:3-5). We should promote sound doctrine and reject false doctrine.

Both Jesus and His apostles warned that there would always be men who would teach false doctrines. Jesus said, “Beware of the false prophets, who come to you in sheep’s clothing, but inwardly are ravenous wolves” (Matt. 7:15). Peter wrote, “But false prophets also arose among the people, just as there will be false teachers among you, who will secretly introduce destructive heresies,

even denying the Master who bought them, bringing swift destruction upon themselves” (II Pet. 2:1).

Notice that false teaching comes through the back door, not the front door. Things will be done “secretly,” and false teachers will hide their true intentions, like wolves in sheep’s clothing. The apostle John stated that we should not accept anything any teacher says “hook, line, and sinker”: “Beloved, do not believe every spirit, but test the spirits to see whether they are from God...” (I John 4:1).

We need to follow God’s word regarding teaching. We should test what someone teaches, not readily accept whatever they say simply be-

cause they happen to preach for a large congregation or because they’re on TV every week. We should be like the Bereans, who “received the word with great eagerness, examining the Scriptures daily to see whether these things were so” (Acts 17:11). Too many false teachers have slipped into congregations because the members refused to examine what was being taught. When that happens, the wolves soon devour the sheep.

“For such men are slaves, not of our Lord Christ but of their own appetites; and by their smooth and flattering speech they deceive the hearts of the unsuspecting” (Rom. 16:18).

James Hayes
