PLEASANT VIEW PROCLAIMER

AFTER THANKSGIVING

On Thursday, the nation celebrated Thanksgiving, with turkey, mashed potatoes, and everything else. Thankfulness is a core biblical doctrine, so it was good that we took time to acknowledge our blessings.

But now what? Since we thanked God for what He gave us, what are we going to do with those blessings? How we use God's blessings is called stewardship. So, let's ask: how are you going to use...

- (1)...the necessities of life? God has given you daily bread, but bread doesn't grow on trees. We must earn money to buy the bread or buy the ingredients to make bread. And how well are you treating your house, clothing, and body?
- (2)...your leisure time? Vacations, weekends, etc. are valuable. They help us enjoy this world God has made. But leisure can be misused. It can become an idol. "Living for the weekend" is not a Christian virtue.
- (3)...your worship. We assemble for four hours a week to praise God and study His word. Are you using those few hours to fully engage in worship? Are you making sure your children are engaging in the service?

You only have one life to live. You cannot go back to the beginning and start over. You have to use every day to be a good steward of what God has given you, so that one day the Lord will say to you, "Well done, My good and faithful servant."



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We will be told later when the closing will happen for the TDOT money.

Pleasant View church of Christ

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Sunday School: 9:30

Morning Worship: 10:30

Evening Worship: 6:00

Wednesday: 7:00

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Continue to pray for those who have been sick lately, including Kristine Garrett, Rick Reed, and Fred Kaiss.

Tuff Slate is making slow progress at Vanderbilt Hospital.

Remember our missionaries, John Kachelman and Jim Waldron, in your prayers.

Also pray for our country and our leaders as we near another new year.

YOU DON'T UNDERSTAND

A leafcutter ant can only carry 1/4 of a gram. To the rest of the created world, that doesn't seem like a big deal. If insects could talk, they would mock the leafcutter ant for being so small and weak. But what the mocking insects don't know is that when the leafcutter any carries 1/4 of a gram of something, it is carrying 50 times its own weight, making it one of the strongest insects.

We can make that same mistake when we judge others based on outward appearance. The happy-go-lucky coworker might be abused at home. The "selfish" neighbor might be paying for a relative's college tuition. The bully at school might have no father at home.

When Samuel went looking for the next king of Israel, he didn't use man's qualifications—that method produced a bad result, King Saul. Instead, he chose a man after God's own heart. He didn't look at the outward appearance. We should do the same. SUNDAY SCHOOL

James Hayes

READ: Reed

PRAYER: Gupton

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WAIT ON TABLE: Billingsley

SERVE: D. Demonbruem, J. Walker, J. Buchanan

PRAYER: E. Walker