

PLEASANT VIEW PROCLAIMER

DYING FOR SINNERS

“For one will hardly die for a righteous man; though perhaps for a good man someone would dare even to die” (Rom. 5:7).

That verse puzzles many Bible students. Why does Paul separate a righteous man and a good man? Are they not the same person? Why would one want to die for one and not the other?

Context matters. In Romans 5, Paul is describing the sacrifice of Christ. He wrote in verse 6, “For while we were still helpless, at the right time Christ died for the ungodly.” To drive home the significance of that fact, Paul compared it to typical human relations. He said that in normal behavior, someone would likely not die for a righteous man. He does not mean a man made righteous by the blood of Christ; he means someone who is self-righteous—someone who looks the part. Then he says that a person might die for a good man—someone who is genuinely kind, generous, and considerate. But you can see the hesitation he describes in both scenarios.

By contrast, Jesus died for the ungodly. In verse 8, he goes on to write, “But demonstrates His own love toward us, in that while we were yet sinners, Christ died



“After you have suffered for a little while, the God of all grace, who called you to His eternal glory in Christ, will Himself perfect, confirm, strengthen and establish you.”

IMPORTANT DATES

1/31: Building fund contribution

OTHER NEWS

Make new year’s resolutions regarding your spiritual health!

Take necessary precautions regarding Covid-19. Cases are spiking in our area. If you have ANY coughing, fever, or flu-like symptoms, please stay home and get tested.

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of Christ

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Sunday School: 9:30

Morning Worship:
10:30

Evening Worship:
6:00

Prayer List:

- *Tony Roberts, Vera Hayes' father, is in St. Thomas West hospital with Covid pneumonia. His oxygen levels have fluctuated, but he is resting comfortably.*
- *Faye Waller went home Wednesday.*
- *Continue to remember Weston Johnson, Rick and Ann Reed, Janice Moore, Sue Clymore, and Charlie Shoulders.*

STEWARDSHIP

“Steward” is commonly defined as “a person who administers the property, houses, finances, etc. of another.” Christians are called to be good stewards of God’s world.

But we misuse God’s resources when we think we are the owners of our possessions. So, how do we become better stewards of God’s world? Consider this parable: A man approaches a homeless man on the street and says, “Sir, I would like to give you \$100 in five \$20 bills.” Shocked, the homeless man replies, “Wow! Thank you!”

“But there is a catch,” the generous man said. “You have to give back one of the bills. You get to keep \$80.”

“No problem,” said the homeless man. “I end up with \$80 I didn’t have five minutes ago.”

Why was the homeless man so eager to give back \$20? Because he knew the money wasn’t his to begin

THOSE WHO WILL SERVE (January 24, 2021)

SUNDAY SCHOOL

READ: E. Walker

PRAYER: Gupton

WORSHIP

WAIT ON TABLE: Reed

SERVE: J. Demonbreum, J. Walker, J. Buchanan