

# PLEASANT VIEW PROCLAIMER

AUGUST 1, 2021

## LOVE THE RIGHT THINGS

1 John 2:15 instructs us not to love the world or the things of the world, but to love God and the things He loves. Contrary to popular opinion, we do have control over what things we love, by deciding what things we surround ourselves with and focus on. What are some of those things we should love?

- **One Another**

John 13:34 - *"...love one another; as I have loved you, that you also love one another."*

1 Peter 1:22 - *"...love one another fervently with a pure heart..."*

- **Learning**

Proverbs 23:23 - *"Buy the truth and do not sell it, Also wisdom and instruction and understanding"*

1 Peter 2:2 - *"as newborn babes, desire the pure milk of the word, that you may grow thereby"*

- **Work**

Proverbs 6:6-11 - *"Go to the ant...consider her ways and be wise..."*

Ephesians 4:28 - *"...let him labor, working with his hands..."*

- **Others**

Matthew 22:39 - *"...love your neighbor as yourself"*

Galatians 6:10 - *"...let us do good to all..."*



## GOSPEL MEETING

Our joint gospel meeting with Coopertown begins today. **Nathan Diller** will be speaking, and **Stephen Hayes** will be leading singing. We will meet at their building this afternoon at 6:00, and an ice cream fellowship will follow the service. We will meet there again at 7:00 Monday night, and here at our building at 7:00 Tuesday and Wednesday. Join us as we encourage one another!

## OTHER NEWS

- We rejoice with **Ricky Mayo** in his decision to put on Christ in baptism last week!
- Our building renovation project will begin soon. Please be checking to make sure anything from the classrooms you'd like to keep is noted as we begin to clean them out.

# How do you spend your time?

The clock is always ticking. We are constantly making choices about how to spend each moment, and there are no do-overs. In **First Things First**, Stephen Covey tells a story that one of his associates heard at a seminar. The seminar presenter pulled out a wide-mouth gallon jar and placed it next to a pile of fist-sized rocks. After filling the jar to the top with rocks, he asked, "Is the jar full?" The group replied, "Yes."

He then got some gravel from under the table and added it to the jar. The speaker jiggled the jar until the gravel filled the spaces between the rocks. Again, he asked, "Is the jar full?" This time, the group replied, "Probably not."

The speaker then added some sand and asked, "Is the jar full?" "No!" shouted the group.

Finally, the speaker filled the jar to the brim with water and asked the group the point of this illustration. Someone replied, "you can always fit more things into your life if you really work at it." "No," countered the speaker. "The point is, if you don't put the big rocks in

first, would you ever have gotten any of them in?"

Matthew 6:33 says "But seek first the kingdom of God and His righteousness, and all these things will be added to you." We must put the "big rocks" in first; keep the main thing the main thing and not get distracted by the "water" and the "sand." Are we making spiritual things our "big rocks?" Then we must make sure that they go in first, that they take priority in our lives.

Say "yes" to your "big rocks" first. Don't feel the need to explain each "no" when the smaller gravel and sand try to fill your time. "No" can be a complete sentence!

## PRAYER LIST

- Remember the **Tim Donkin** family in his passing
- **Alice Riley**, the grandmother of Jeff's sister-in-law, has covid and is in the hospital in Arkansas
- **Barrett Knipfer** is still awaiting test results
- Remember **Ann Reed** as her cancer treatment continues

## SERVING TODAY (August 1, 2021)

### SUNDAY SCHOOL

**Read:** E. Walker  
**Prayer:** L. Gregory

### WORSHIP

**Read:** D. Billingsley  
**Wait On Table:** M. Reed  
**Serve:** D. Demonbreun, J. Walker, C. Baker  
**Prayer:** J. Baker