

Those who serve

Lords' Supper: 2/10

Front South

Will Cammack
Ken Boroughs
Andrew Collins

Back South

Bill Cashion
Gary Barger
Sid Carruth

Leading prayers:

Sunday AM

Sunday PM

Wednesday PM

Announcements:

Sunday AM-PM:
Wednesday

Song leaders:

Sunday AM
Sunday PM
Wednesday PM

Foyer Personnel:

Sunday & Wednesday J. D. Allen

Collection Counting

Paul Murphy / Jeff Day / Kyle Day

Our Records

Bible Class.....119
AM Worship.....208
PM Worship.....141
Wed. Bible Class 1/30.....129
Contribution.....\$8,011

Sermons

AM Richard Melson Speaks
PM Raising Expectations
Exposition of Philemon

Front North

Don Crecelius
Dale Ash
Jordan Collins

Back North

Jeff Day
Kyle Day
Steve Baze

Rob Stidolph
Doug Jones
Joshua Haynes
Dale Mullen
Kyle Day

Russ Jones
Doug Jones

D. J. Stucky
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Jeff Day

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2013 Granbury Street Open Forum

THE MORAL
PROBLEM OF
RACISM

February 9, 2013
1:00 PM - 4:30 PM

This Year's Panelists are:

Willie Alvarenga
Richard Melson
Bob Stapleton
Richard Stevens III

Join us for a frank discussion that will look beneath the surface of the problem to address the underlying issues.

Evangelist
Kevin Rhodes

Elders

Sid Carruth
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Service Times
Sunday: Bible Class 9:00 a.m. Worship: 10:00 a.m. & 5:00 p.m. 5th Sunday Second Worship Service, 1:00 p.m.
Wednesday: Bible Class 7:00 p.m. Ladies Bible Class 10:00 a.m. (Sept.—May)

The School of Discipleship

By Kevin W. Rhodes

In the rabbinic schools of ancient Judaism, a student would decide what Rabbi to follow and essentially sign on, kind of like going to college. In some ways, that appears to be how many people choose a church. They look around, consider what they like, ask their friends, remember their upbringing, perhaps compromise with a spouse, and then begin attending. However, this traditional approach completely ignores discipleship. It treats Christianity as a style but not a life. It reduces the call of the gospel to telemarketing and worship to a variety show. Most of all, it repeats the essential problem of the rabbinic schools. It divides spiritual allegiance among men, for the glory of men, with all the flaws of men. Jesus did not come to this earth to be one Rabbi among many. He came to establish Himself as Lord and King. Jesus calls *all* men to be *His* disciples: to listen to Him, to learn from Him, and to follow after Him.

For some people this is simply asking too much. Even when people heard Him teach and saw Him work miracles, they proved unwilling to follow Him. “Then Jesus said to them, ‘Most assuredly, I say to you, unless you eat the flesh of the Son of Man and drink His blood, you have no life in you. Whoever eats My flesh and drinks My blood has eternal life, and I will raise him up at the last day’” (John 6:53–54). When Jesus told them He expected full obedience, “many of His disciples, when they heard this, said, ‘This is a hard saying; who can understand it?’” (John 6:60). The King

James Version translates this properly, “Who can hear it.” The people understood what Jesus said just fine, but they did not like it. They lacked the heart of submission necessary to obey Him completely. But they have forgotten what Jesus offered: “Jesus said to him, “I am the way, the truth, and the life. No one comes to the Father except through Me” (John 14:6).

As we have seen, a disciple is defined by what he studies and by how he studies. He is defined by his willingness to accept discipline and correction from the Master Teacher, Jesus. He is defined by his own self-discipline in applying these things in life. Now, if your friends, family, and coworkers were to see *this* as the definition of disciple, would they expect to see *your* picture in the dictionary next to it? Satan has worked for years to get us to accept a watered-down version of what it means to be a disciple. But the purpose of a definition is not simply to allow us to use a word; its purpose is to bring clarity of thought. When people see our lives, they should see that we are disciples of Jesus Christ, and they should see it in HIGH DEFINITION!

Jesus still calls us to join Him. He remains ready to teach, ready to guide, ready to help. However, we must be ready to heed. “Come to Me, all you who labor and are heavy laden, and I will give you rest. Take My yoke upon you and learn from Me, for I am gentle and lowly in heart, and you will find rest for your souls. For My yoke is easy and My burden is light” (Matthew 11:28–30).

News and Notes

Among our sick

- Earlene Doty is in Walls Hospital in room 220 with chest pains. She will see the cardiologist this week.
- Liz Collins, Andrew & Ruth's daughter-in-law, is in Harris hospital downtown because of complications with her pregnancy. The baby should be born Monday.
- Geraldine Massey, Melinda Norman's mother, is in Harris Southwest Hospital. She did not have the surgery on her legs last Friday because of complications from other health problems.
- Laura Stephens had another surgery on her toe on Tuesday at Huguley.
- Larry Thompson will have a heart catheterization on Thursday.

Please note...

- The Open Forum will be Saturday, February 9th please start praying that it will be a success. Speakers this year will be Willie Alvarenga, Richard Melson, Robert Stapleton and Richard Stevens III. There are flyers in the foyer to mail out. There is a sign-up sheet for cookies and 2-liter drinks if you would like to help. Anyone that can help get the building set up in the auditorium and the annex please plan to stay after the evening worship service Wednesday.
- 55 years and older game night will be Tuesday, February 12th starting at 6:00 PM in the annex. Please bring games and snack foods and enjoy this time of fellowship.
- Saturday February 23rd will be Family Day starting at 10:30 in the annex.