



PREACHER-SHEPHERD
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COMMENTARY CORNER: "Calling To Remembrance" "But call to remembrance the former days, in which, after ye were illuminated ye endured a great flight of afflictions; Partly, whilst ye were made a gazingstock both by reproaches and afflictions; and partly, whilst ye became companions of them that were so used (Hebrews 10:32-33).

Jesus is the greatest teacher of all time. We find him using an assortment of strategies that bring home his message to the listeners. He does not simply give sermons on various mounts. But often uses real life moments to teach. His life is about teaching to rich and poor, learned and unlearned, religious, and irreligious, faithful, and those of little faith. He teaches and teaches, but as sound and as effective a teacher he is, he knows that what is taught today must be taught tomorrow to the same people.

The task of teaching is never complete. Paul encourages Timothy to be about the task of continuous reading, exhortation, and doctrine (1 Timothy 4:13). God's creatures are the kind who are blessed with memory. But we are also temporal beings. What we are taught today is not necessarily in our memory banks tomorrow. At the very least, things in our memories are not always immediately accessible. We must have things brought to our remembrance.

Paul is again instructive. He exhorts Timothy to understand that when he brings teachings to the church's remembrance, then he is a good minister (1 Timothy 4:6), nourished up in the words of faith and good doctrine. Paul instructs Timothy to do what he practiced in the presence of Timothy: teach and teach again (1 Corinthians 15:1-4). In our last study, we reminded the church that our church planning must emphasize the importance of teaching, and then teaching again. It is the absence of remembrance of God's truths that lead to straying from the truth.

The writer of the book of Hebrews, in

a moment of church persecution and individual temptations, appeals to the church to use something that would help them to remain faithful. He exhorts them to remember. Often, if people could just remember when their faith was stronger, their hope more certain, their trust greater, their commitment impenetrable, their sacrifice godly, this would be all the help they would need to make it through their present struggle. Again, the writer says to his readers: "But call to remembrance the former days, in which, after ye were illuminated, ye endured a great fight of afflictions; Partly, whilst ye were made a gazingstock both by reproaches and afflictions; and partly whilst ye became companions of them that were so used" (Hebrews 10:32, 33).

When we are facing and experiencing challenging times, we need to remember how God has always brought us through. But we need also to keep in heart those teachings that helped us to establish a foundation in Jesus in the beginning of our journeys with Christ.

Our study focuses on the following identifying characteristics of the people of God in the church of Christ today: First, we believe that salvation is in Jesus Christ alone (Acts 4:10-12). There is no other Savior for mankind. There is no other power than that of the gospel of Jesus Christ, detailing his death, burial, and resurrection (Romans 1:16, Galatians 1:8, and 2 Thessalonians 1: 8). We affirm that Jesus is the way, the truth, and the life; that no man goes to the Father, but by him (John 14:6).

Second, we believe that once in Christ, one is sealed by and filled with the Holy Spirit, living holy and sancti-

fied lives (Acts 2:38, Romans 8:10, 11, Ephesians 4:30). We are thus privileged to live these God empowered holy and sanctified lives (1 Peter 1:15, 16, 1 Thessalonians 4:3). We do not rise from the waters of salvation and continue in sin (Romans 6:1-6). We thank God for new opportunities to be his sons and daughters.

Third, Churches of Christ believe that the Bible is an adequate guide for faith and practice; even using Bible names for Bible things (1 Timothy 3:15-17 and Ephesians 3:2-5). We recognize the saved as "believers," "disciples," "saints," and "Christians," to name a few, because these are all Bible names for God's people (Acts 5:14; 9:25,26, 36; 1 Corinthians 1:2; Acts 11:26)! We believe that the Bible is a guide for life and practice.

Fourth, we remember and believe that God has instructed us on how to worship Him while edifying one another. We commune in remembrance of the sacrifice Jesus made for all of us (Matthew 26:26, 1 Corinthians 11:23ff). We know that the disciples came together on the first day of the week to break bread, and to hear the gospel preached (Acts 20:7). We are commanded to sing to one another (Ephesians 5:19). We are commanded to set aside funds for the work of the kingdom (1 Corinthians 16:1, 2). We engage in prayer for one another (James 5:16). We are taught to tarry for one another and not to forsake the assembling of ourselves together (1 Corinthians 11:33, Hebrews 10:25) in what we seek to accomplish.

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2015 THEME: "IN ALL THINGS, EXAMPLES OF GOOD DEEDS" (TITUS 2:7)

CHURCH LEADERS

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JAMES E. GADSON
GEORGE MCNAIR
ROY OLIPHANT
BERNARD TERRY
JOE WILSON

CALENDAR OF EVENTS

SUNDAY SCHOOL ATTENDANCE DRIVE DAY



Help us reach our goal of **275** or more during our Sunday School Attendance Drive on December 20th at 9:00 a.m. We look forward to seeing you!

MEN'S AND LADIES' BIBLE CLASS
Our Men's and Ladies' Bible class will meet December 6th at 5 p.m. We are encouraging all of our members to attend.

Any students who made Honor Roll 1st Quarter, please sign the list in the foyer and turn in a copy of your Report Card to Bro. Roy Oliphant or Bro. Adolphus Coplin. Honor Roll Recognition will be held December 6, 2015.



Men's Social Outing Atlanta, GA
December 5, 2015 Sign Up in Foyer!!
Please sign up by Nov. 29th

Sunshine Ministry presents the Holiday Card Exchange. No postage or address information required. Winter Wonderland Post Office will open Sunday, December 6th.

2015 MEN'S RETREAT

DECEMBER 10TH – 12TH
CARAWAY CONFERENCE CENTER
4756 CARAWAY MOUNTAIN RD., SOPHIA, NC



Registration Information located in foyer.



NATIONAL EVENT

National Lectureship
(March 27-31, 2016), Memphis, TN
Visit www.nlcoc2016.com for more information.



NOVEMBER BIRTHDAYS

1st, Justun Green; 5th Eric I. Nelson;
7th Cleveland Reed; 8th Joshua Caruthers, A.J. Crim; 10th Chelsea Cook; 14th George McNair; 16th Courtney Thomas; 17th Adolphus Coplin; 18th Tevin Loyd; 19th Kolbe Adkins; 20th Cynthia Judge; 23rd D.J. Crim; 25th Howard A. Brown, Ben Robinson, Sr., Tomisha Gaither; 28th Kim McNair, Elizabeth Oliver



LOCAL GOSPEL MEETING/EVENTS

Annual Brotherhood Meeting-December 6th.
Thomas St. Church of Christ (3pm)

700 W. Thomas St ,
Salisbury NC

Fall Revival- December 6th—9th
Sanford Church of Christ
2404 Hawkins Ave.
Sanford, NC 27330

Gospel Meeting –December 11th –13th
Eastside Church of Christ
536 Barbara Jane Ave.
Winston-Salem, NC 27101



KURIAKOS HOUSE

Don't forget to visit the Kuriakos House table located in the foyer for events and happenings. You may contact sister Felecia Caruthers at (336)767-4201 if you have any questions or need additional information.

Clothing Bank Open House

December 13, 2015 following morning worship service. Come and walk through to see what is available.



YOUTH NEWS

Reading Safari Club -- Stay Tuned for the next Reading Safari event! Continue Reading!!!.....

Your Safari Guide, Sis. Caruthers

Redland Church of Christ **BIBLE BOWL**

(Ages 2-19) Sunday, December 13, 2015.



38 years– Roy & Edelina Oliphant– 5th
3 years- Arnold & Wendy Thomas– 8th
36 years- Marion & Hazel Gordon– 17th
55 years-- Johnny & Shirley Correll– 24th
29 years- James & Angela Miller– 29th

Welcome

**ALL VISITORS!
YOU ARE OUR
HONORED
GUESTS!**

CORNELIUS CORNER:

Special Adaptive Housing (SAH) grants help Veterans with certain service-connected disabilities live independently in a barrier-free environment. SAH grants can be used to adapt a home to the special needs of a disabled veteran, build a home on land already owned or apply the grant against the unpaid principle mortgage. Check it out at www.benefits.va.gov.

PRAY THAT GOD LEADS US TO SOULS TO SAVE TODAY & THROUGH THIS WEEK

OUR SICK AND SHUT-IN

Bro. Dwight Correll
 Sis. Immogene Bray
 Bro. Leroy Nelson
 Bro. Barry Harper
 Bro. Everette Jones
 Sis. Dorothy Livingston

SHEPHERD ON CALL FOR NOVEMBER

John Foxworth
 (336) 918-6359

RESPONSIVE READING

Eph. 1:10-15

READER: That in the dispensation of the fullness of times he might gather together in one all things in Christ, both which are in heaven, and which are on earth; even in him:

CHURCH: In whom also we have ordained an inheritance, being predestinated according to the purpose of him who worketh all things after the counsel of his own will:

READER: That we should be to the praise of his glory, who first trusted in Christ:

CHURCH: In whom ye also trusted, after that ye heard the word of truth, the gospel of your salvation: in whom also after that ye believed, ye were sealed with that holy Spirit of promise,

READER: Which is the earnest of our inheritance, until the redemption of the purchased possession, unto the praise of his glory.

UNISON: Wherefore I also, after I heard of your faith in the Lord Jesus, and love unto all the saints,

PRAYER

Father in heaven, we pray that we put on daily your whole army. Continue to equip us for the battle In the name of Jesus, we pray, Amen.

PRAYER REQUEST



Sis. Alinda Gadson, Bro. Simon Johnson & Family,
 Bro. Juan Williams, Harper Family, Bro. Joseph Transou, Bro. Leroy Nelson, Sis. Sherri Pilson, Bro. Tim Pilson, Bro. Kevin McLaurin, Bro. John Foxworth, Sis. Teresa Love, Sis. Latesha Page, Bro. Jeff Patton, Sis. Alicia White, Sis. Marcella Kendall, Sis. Geraldine Jackson, Sis. Kellie Pouncey, Sis. Lillie Alford, Sis. Barbie Jones, Sis. Detrice Ingram, Bro. Kwali Bunker, Bro. Juan Williams, Bro Howard Brown, Bro. Victor Baldwin, Bro. Bernard Terry, Bro. Ollie Carpenter, Bro. Roy Izzard, Sis. Marleisha Young, Bro. James Cherry, Sis. Emma Westbrook, Bro. Robin Lyles

ORDER OF WORSHIP

8:00 A.M

SONG LEADER Adolphus Coplin
 SERMON *Jefferson R. Caruthers, Jr.*

10:00 A.M.

ANNOUNCEMENTS Adolphus Coplin
 INVOCATION John Foxworth
 SONG DIRECTOR Randy Dulin
 SCRIPTURE Adriel Hall
 RESPONSIVE Thomas Loyd, Sr.
 PRAYER Roscoe Burgess
SERMON *Jefferson R. Caruthers, Jr.*
 OFFERING Reginald Nichols
 LORD'S SUPPER Bernard Terry
 READER Isaiah Black
 CLOSING PRAYER James Gadson
 VISITATION PRESENTATION

6:30 P.M.

ANNOUNCEMENTS Adolphus Coplin
 INVOCATION Juan Williams
 SONG DIRECTOR Roy Izzard
 SCRIPTURE Jason Adkins
 RESPONSIVE READING Roy Oliphant
 PRAYER Doug Crim
SERMON *Jefferson R. Caruthers, Jr.*
 OFFERING Kolbe Adkins
 LORD'S SUPPER Tevin Loyd
 CLOSING PRAYER A. J. Crim
 VISITATION PRESENTATION

COMMUNION REFLECTION

(JOHN 6:9)

There is a lad here, which hath five barley loaves, and two small fishes: but what are they among so many?



USHERS

Andrew Jackson	Curtis Conner	William Scott
A. J. Crim	Braxton King	Jeff Patton
Isiah Black	Kwali Bunker	Harold Brown
Joseph Ford	James Cherry	Bernard Wallace

EVENING USHERS

Michael Terry · D.J. Crim
 Elijah Gibbs · George Eichelberger

COMMENTARY CORNER

Fifth, we remember and teach that God has organized his church: Christ as head and cornerstone, the apostles and prophets as foundation, and apostles, prophets, evangelists, and pastor teachers as those responsible for nurturing and overseeing the church (Ephesians 2:20, Ephesians 4:11). The threat to God's people in every age has been a void and vacuum related to legitimate leadership. The religiously apostate, the religiously heretical, and even some churches of Christ suffer because of a failure to recognize how God develops and uses leaders to maintain faithfulness for the church. What is distinguishable about faithful churches of Christ is a core of leaders obviously developed

and maintained by God.

Sixth, churches of Christ believe that salvation is a matter of urgency. When one believes, he should obey. The rich young ruler could not (Luke 18:22 ff.). But the day we hear the voice of God we should obey (2 Corinthians 6:1, 2; Hebrews 3:7, 8; Acts 16:33). Opportunities for a life of godliness are lost when men and women refuse to obey God's voice when they hear it.

These are just a few teachings that should be brought to our remembrance, we should all make every effort to remember all the truths that we have been taught by a loving and sacrificial God. Having applied these to our lives, we then should make every effort to share these truths with others.

Seventh, we believe that life is to be enjoyed in the here and now. But our ultimate hope is in the life that is to be lived in the presence of the Father, Son, and Holy Spirit through eternity (Titus 1:2-4). We believe that there is one hope (Ephesians 4:4). The hope of eternal life helps us to understand that ultimate victory, justice, and peace come in the world of the resurrected. This hope helps us to endure, to persevere, to press forward, to trust, to anticipate, to wait, to remain faithful.

The children of God are called upon to remember why they accepted faith and what the faith involves. Once remembered, the children of God have the strongest and greatest reasons to continue to trust in God.

SCHEDULE OF ASSEMBLIES

SUNDAY

Early Morning Worship..... 8 A.M.
Bible School..... 9 A.M.
Morning Worship..... 10 A.M.
Evening Worship..... 6:30 P.M.

WEDNESDAY-MID-WEEK BIBLE STUDY

11 A.M. & 7 P.M.

MENS' & LADIES' BIBLE CLASS

5 P.M. (2nd & 4th Sunday)
(September-May)

MEETINGS & MINISTRIES

Teachers' Meeting..... 9 A.M.
(1st Saturday)
Clothing Bank..... 10 A.M.-12 P.M.
(1st Saturday)
Youth Fellowship Meeting..... 10 A.M.
(2nd Saturday)
Husbands & Fathers' Support Group... 10 A.M.
(3rd Saturday)
Young Adult Ministry..... 6:30 P.M.
(4th Friday)

WORSHIP TO THE SICK & SHUT-IN
FOR THE MONTH OF NOVEMBER
Walter Weathers

BAPTISMAL TEAM

Bro. Anthony Clinton
Bro. Thomas Loyd, Sr.
Bro. George McNair
Bro. Walter Weathers, Jr.



Radio Broadcast Stations

Sundays @ 7:30 A.M.
Thursdays @ 2 P.M.
1340 AM
1400 AM
103.5 FM



YOU CAN BE SAVED TODAY!

To be saved today, you must hear the gospel (Romans 10:17; Acts 15:7). You must believe the gospel that assures us salvation through Jesus who is the risen Lord (Romans 10:9, 10). You must be willing to turn your life over to God through repentance (Acts 17:30; Romans 2:4). Those willing to live for God through repentance are ready for confession (Romans 10:9,10).

The person who confesses is baptized into Christ (Romans 6:3, 4; Galatians 3:27). In baptism, the believer is washed, sanctified, and justified (1 Corinthians 6:11). Christ saves the baptized person in baptism (1 Peter 3:21).

If you believe that Jesus died for you and was resurrected, if you will repent and confess, then you can be baptized into Christ and be saved. Come to Jesus today!

CHILDRENS' WORSHIP

29th Leah Adkins & Sherri Pilson
DECEMBER
6th Valeria Ford & Centrece Kendall

NURSERY DUTY

29th Shundra McLaurin & Valerie Coplin
6th Leah Adkins & Ruby Reaves

NOVEMBER GREETERS

29th Raymona Brown
Theresa Rucker

DECEMBER

6th Renee' Eccles
Mary Terry

COMMUNION PREPARERS

Edelina Oliphant

DECEMBER

Marcella & Centrece Kendall



BAPTISMAL COMMITTEE

Lillie Holmes
Wanda Jones
Shanita Green

DECEMBER

Diane Foxworth
Diane Robinson
Wendy Thomas

ZONES

ZONE #1 Capt. Bro. J. Wilson (661-1312)
ZONE #4 Co-Capt. Bro. B. Terry (720-9694)
ZONE #5 Capt. Bro. J. Gadson (650-9693)
Co-Capt. Bro. A. Rucker (924-5696)
ZONE #7 Capt. Bro. J. Foxworth (924-5029)
Co-Capt. Bro R. Oliphant (765-3105)
ZONE #8 Capt. Bro. R. March (727-0052)
Co-Capt. Bro. R. Burgess (748-0282)