

Let's Visit

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At The Feet of Jesus

The people of the east are a very demonstrative people. In their devotions, they pay more attention to posture than we do. Have you ever noticed in the Bible how often someone kneels in front of Jesus? How often someone is "at the feet of Jesus"? That is where I want to be, at the feet of Jesus.

It was those feet that were fondly caressed by an adoring mother in the manger. They were the feet that walked through the carpenter shop. The feet that were supposed to follow the family from the temple yet stayed behind.

It was the feet of Jesus that stepped into the Jordan at baptism and later walked on the Sea of Galilee. Those feet stood on the mountain preaching and walked a thousand miles helping and ran to the hurting. Those feet of Jesus kicked over the tables of those who made his house a mockery and they did not run when His accusers approached in the Garden of Gethsemane. The feet of Jesus walked up the hill to Golgotha and were nailed to a cross. Think what a privilege it is to sit at the feet of Jesus.

When I think of someone sitting at the feet of Jesus, I always turn to a story recorded in the tenth chapter of the Gospel according to Luke. Jesus is in Bethany at the home of Mary and Martha and Lazarus. Martha we read is preparing a meal for her guests, but Mary was sitting at the feet of Jesus hearing his word and listening to his teachings.

Yet, there were so many others who we read about that sat at the feet of Jesus. In the home of Simon the Pharisee (Luke 7:39) a woman found forgiveness at Jesus' feet. There was also a woman brought and flung down at Jesus feet in John chapter 8. This woman had been caught in adultery and she found forgiveness at the feet of Jesus.

While some found forgiveness at the feet of Jesus, there were others who found healing at the feet of Jesus. Matthew tells us in Matthew 15:30, *"And great multitudes came unto him, having with them those that were lame, blind, dumb, maimed and many others, and cast them down at Jesus' feet and he healed them."* Outcasts and rejects find their happy place at Jesus' feet. Worldly wounds are healed there and calloused souls are softened and saved by his touch. Yet, while some found a place of healing at Jesus' feet, others found a place of prayer. Jairus chose to pray at the feet of Jesus when his daughter was at the point of death (Mark 5:22-23)

When we come to the feet of Jesus, we find it a place of thanksgiving and rest. Luke 17 gives an account of Jesus cleansing 10 lepers and yet only one returned to give thanks. Luke tells us that he fell on his face at Jesus' feet and thanked him for healing. In Luke chapter 8, we find a man who was afflicted by demons, his mind was so tortured that he had no rest. Yet, Jesus cast the demons from him and in Luke 8:35 we find him in his right mind and at rest. We also find that he quite naturally wanted to continue to find rest at the feet of Jesus.

We need to spend some time at the feet of Jesus. We will find it a place of forgiveness and learning, a place of prayer and refreshment and yes a place to find rest.

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In Search Of The Lord's Way



Tune in to this Television Ministry
KSLA 12 – Shreveport -7:30 a.m. Sunday
DISH channel 239-6:00 a.m. Sunday
DIRECT TV channel 307 -6:00 a.m. Sunday

Gathered Here and There



Today's Sermon

"Beware of Falling Rocks"

Our text comes from Matthew 6:24-34. Like falling rocks, most of the things we "worry" about are things totally out of our control.

FOR THE PANTRY....

Chili (No Beans)

To Him That Knoweth . . .

"To him that therefore that knoweth to do good and doeth it not, to him it is sin." (James 4:17) This passage properly applied is directed to four classes of people.

1. Hypocrites. This is a being who knows what to be and to do in God's service, but instead of actually measuring up to the standard of right, he counterfeits the genuine. The hypocrite is a person who knows what is right but only pretends to be what he should.

2. The backslider. *"For if after they have escaped the defilements of the world through the knowledge of the Lord and Saviour Jesus Christ, they are again entangled therein and overcome, the last state is become worse than the first."* (II Peter 2:20) They knew what was right before they fell because they escaped through the knowledge of Christ.

3. He who delays obedience. *"Felix was terrified, and answered, Go thy way for this time; and when I have a convenient season, I will call thee unto me"* (Acts 24:25) However much you may plan to obey the gospel someday, you are still in sin unless you do. And the wage of sin is death.

Delaying performance of a known duty is nothing short of rebellion. Are you guilty?

4. The Christian unconcerned in others salvation. *"When I say to the wicked. Thou shalt surely die; and thou givest him not warning, nor speakest to warn the wicked from his wicked way, to save his life; the same wicked man shall die by his iniquity; but his blood will I require at your hand."* (Ezekiel 3:18)

Sin is not always an outward and distinct act of doing wrong, of saying bad things or of doing evil things. Sin is just as often committed by the failure to do that which we know full well we ought to do. It is a sort of criminal neglect, with an element of rebellion against God and a disregard for his desire.

Beware of the sin of neglect, of procrastination. It will condemn you just as quickly as any other, but it is not so readily detected or corrected. Quit planning to do the right thing; go do it NOW!

-Just A Moment
January 17, 1952

On The Lighter Side.....



What else about my sermon didn't you like?

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*If today is one of your best days,
spend tomorrow just like it.*

Miscellaneous



September 13, 2020

Our annual "Friends and Family Day" is tentatively scheduled for September 13, 2020.

Pray that we can have the worst of this pandemic behind us and have a wonderful time of Worship and Fellowship on that day!



Those To Remember In Prayer

We extend our sympathy to **Dora Livingston** in the loss of her husband Bill Livingston. Services were conducted on Saturday at Watson and Sons.

THOSE IN THE MILITARY AND FOREIGN SERVICE :

LeLand Bradshaw and Lucas Tate

Special Announcement

Remember, that even though we are not requiring the wearing of masks in our assembly, we do still want to do everything we can to be safe both for ourselves and for others. We would therefore ask that we all remain aware of social distancing and being respectful of other's personal space.

-thank you

Things Work Out

Because it rains when we wish it wouldn't,
Because men do what they often shouldn't
Because crops fail, and plans go wrong,
Some of us grumble all day long.
But somehow, in spite of the care and doubt,
It seems at the last that things work out.

Because we lose where we hoped to gain,
Because we suffer a little pain,
Because we must work when we'd like to play
Some of us whimper along life's way,
But somehow, as day always follows the night,
Most of our troubles work out all right.

Because we cannot forever smile,
Because we must trudge in the dust awhile,
Because we think that the way is long,
Some of us whimper that life's all wrong,
But somehow we live and our sky grows bright,
And everything seems to work out all right.

So bend to your trouble and meet your care,
For the clouds must break, and the sky grow fair,
Let the rain come down, as it must and will,
But keep on working and hoping still.
For in spite of the grumblers who stand about,
Somehow, it seems, all things work out.

-Edgar A. Guest

How Old Are You?

Nobody grows old merely by living a number of years. People grow old only by deserting their ideals. Years wrinkle the skin, but to give up enthusiasm wrinkles the soul. Worry, doubt, self-distrust, fear and despair – these are the long, long years that bow the head and turn the growing spirit back to dust. Whether seventy or seventeen, there is in every being's heart the love of wonder, the sweet amazement of the stars and the star-like things and thoughts, the undaunted challenge of events, the unfailing child-like appetite for what next in the game of life. You are as young as your faith, as old as your doubts; as young as your self-confidence, as old as your fears; as young as your hope, as old as your despair.

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Across The Preacher's Desk

At long last and after an extensive search, the perfect preacher has finally been found.

His knowledge is deep, his delivery is eloquent and he preaches only 15 minutes. He condemns sin in unmistakable terms and does not offend anyone.

He works from 8:00 a.m. until midnight, including janitorial and maintenance work. He makes \$200.00 per week, wears good clothes, buys good books, drives a nice car and gives \$100.00 per week to the church.

He is 28 years old and has 30 years preaching experience. He has one brown eye and one blue eye and a great shock of hair on a distinguished bald head so that he is perfectly wonderfully handsome.

He relates well with teenagers and spends all his time ministering to older folk. He smiles with a straight face because his well developed sense of humor keeps him seriously dedicated to his work in a no nonsense manner.

He makes 15 – 20 calls per day on church family, shut-ins and sick folks while spending most of his time evangelizing the lost being always in his office when needed.

it's something to think about. . . .tbp

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Commitment!**