

2500 Parrish Street, Waco, TX 76705

Building a community of Faith, Hope and Love; Where people meet Jesus and learn to walk with Him.

Schedule of Services: Bible Class 9:30am; AM Worship 10:30; PM Worship 6:00; PM Wednesday 6:00

Date: Sunday, November 18, 2018

## My Least Favorite Verse...

Is it okay for a preacher to have a least-favorite verse? If it isn't, I get off on a technicality. My least favorite verse doesn't exist. In the Bible, at least...

When teaching classes, a few times a year someone will tell me about a Bible verse. The problem is, the one they're quoting isn't there. Or worse, it's a paraphrase of a passage that teaches the exact opposite.

Ever heard someone say, "The Bible says that God helps those who helps themselves"?

Maybe it's true. Maybe it isn't. We can debate the merit of that sentiment all day long, but I can tell you that there's not a verse that says that.

At least twice a year someone tells me about the verse that explains that baptism is optional if there's no water handy. Know where that one is? Not there.

Sometimes it happens because people don't always understand the difference between the commentary in their study Bibles and the scripture itself. More often, it's just something that they believe very strongly, so there *must* be a verse. I don't think anyone does it on purpose, and I'm sure to be guilty of it, too, but it's sure hard to correct!

It's hard to correct because we assume we can't find it because we can't remember its location—not because it isn't there. None of us has all 31,000+ verses committed to memory.

Can I encourage you to spend some time searching for some of those passages that you know exist, but you don't know where they are? And if they can't be found, entertain the idea that there may be a reason for their hiding.

What's your favorite non-existent verse?

(Minister for Burns Church of Christ, Burns, Tn)

By Matthew Hiatt

# **Hope That Sustains (1 Peter 1:3-12)**

| - Introduction   |  |
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| Thoughts of home gave the prisoner an                          | point!                                     |
| The fixed hope of heaven gives Christians                      | to carry on.                               |
| The Nature of Our Hope (1 Pt. 1:3-5)                           |  |
| We experience new birth becoming joint                         | (Jn. 3:3, 5; Rom. 8:16-17).                |
| <ul> <li>Heaven will be new, perpetually fresh, and</li> </ul> | (Rev. 21:27).                              |
| God resurrected Jesus and                                      | the same for us (1 Cor. 15:20-23).         |
| Knowing death was imminent, Jesus looked                       | (Jn. 14:2-3).                              |
| What is God doing in the                                       | ? (1 Pt. 1:5 Jd. 1:24; Eph. 1:19)          |
| •  | _ faith assures inheritance (Lk. 22:31-32) |
| The Power of Our Hope (1 Pt. 1:6-9)                            |  |
| Knowing heaven's goodness                                      | us while suffer (Rom. 8:18).               |
| Christians need a  | hope during "painful trial" (1 Pt. 4:12).  |
| Maybe they could find reason to                                | and sing (2 Cor. 4:16-18).                 |
| The Certainty of Our Hope (1 Pt. 1:10-12)                      |  |
| Did they understand the  | servant? (Is. 53:10-12; Ps. 16:8-11)       |
| Can we know without a  | what is waiting for us? (Tit. 1:2)         |
| This kind of hope is not merely                                | thinking (Heb. 6:18-19).                   |
| - Conclusion   |  |
| Thoughts of home kept the POW                                  | and sane during captivity.                 |
| Thoughts of a heavenly home kept early Chri                    | stians                                     |
| Can these same thoughts in your heart see y                    | ou through your darkest hour               |

## **PRAYER REQUESTS**

**Doris Dickerson** has fallen several times recently and is in Hillcrest Hospital room 1525. Please pray for medication & care solutions.

**Jackie Walker** had surgery on her vertebrae Thursday. She is home recuperating.

**Aquilla's principle**, Andrew Christian's wife is having complications with her pregnancy.

Lane Thornton passed away.

Mr. Clayton, teacher at Connally, 4 year old granddaughter passed away.

Prayers for travelers through the holiday.

#### **PRAY FOR**

>James Lewis, Felicia Ann Lambert, Terry Wiggins, Ed St Claire, Danny Paschal, Ever Johnson, Larry Havard Sr., Cotton & Charlotte Lindloff; Arthur Mae Maloy; Shela Havard, Lottie Washington. David Banda, David Anderson, Bea Stewart, Sherlynn Erwin, Glenda Tynes, Kim Bond, Leo Kirkland, Emma Greenawalt, Eve Rasberry, Gene & Bobbie Southerland, Horace Litton, Jane & Sam Munn, Jackson Pratka, Charlotte Griffin, Lorene Allen, Tyran Williams. Karen Weaver, Joe Cook, Joyce Cunningham, Dixie Frost, Kim Bledsoe, Tommy Cross, Sherril Polansky, Cora & Sonny Gore, Mark Hardwick, Joey Primeaux, Larry Scott, Madeleine Anderson, Ernest Sanchez, Larry Lykins, Wanda Knutson, Rick Keeton.

## **OUR SHUT-INS**

**The Atrium of Bellmead** Betty Johnson, Ruby & Billy Evans.

# OCTOBER BIRTHDAYS & ANNIVERSARIES

James Sturdivant (22<sup>nd</sup>) Dovie Burrow (23<sup>rd</sup>) Lukas Summers (23<sup>rd</sup>) Daniel Summers (24<sup>th</sup>) David Kirk (29<sup>th</sup>) Robyn Wheat (29<sup>th</sup>) James & Nancy Sturdivant (25<sup>th</sup>) Mac & Pat McMillian (27<sup>th</sup>)

### **OTHER NEWS**

**There** will be an Elders & Deacons meeting today at 5pm.

There will be no services here on Wednesday.

**Wednesday** there will be an area wide service at 7pm at New Road Church of Christ.

Refreshments will be served afterward.

**Please** bring plastic grocery sacks for the garage sale.

**Growing** Healthy Marriages will be Dec 7-9 at Lake Shore Drive Church of Christ. Flyer on board in foyer.

## **DATES TO REMEMBER**

**November 22<sup>nd</sup>** Thanksgiving. **November 22<sup>nd</sup>** FAC reserved to Markwardts.

**November 26<sup>th</sup>,27<sup>th</sup> & 28<sup>th</sup>** garage sale work day.

**November 29<sup>th</sup>** garage sale opens at 8am.

**November 30<sup>th</sup>** garage sale opens at 8am.

**December 1**<sup>st</sup> last day of garage sale. Opens at 8am.

**December 6th Ladies Christmas** 

Party at 6pm. Bring finger foods & wrapped gift \$10 or less.

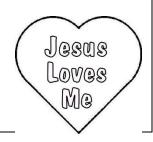
December 8th Christmas Pot Luck at 6pm.

**December 22<sup>nd</sup>** FAC reserved for Shela Havard. **December 25<sup>th</sup>** Christmas Day. FAC reserved to the Markwardts.

**January 1, 2019** New Years Day. FAC reserved to Dolores Davis.

June 14 & 15, 2019 FAC reserved to the Bancales.

Children ages 2-7 are invited to the front of the auditorium during the singing of Jesus Loves Me for children's time.



# 10:30 Assembly

### Welcome

### Song Order:

242 – Sing Hallelujah to the Lord716 – Sing to Me of Heaven543 – Wonderful Words of Life

**Prayer: Eric Wharton** 

Song Order:

383 – Jesus Keep Me Near the Cross

Scripture:

Mark 16:1 - 8

**Communion:** 

Randy Eubank Nelson Moore

Matt Winget Mike Olson

Song Order:

103 – He Has Made Me Glad 1014 – "Jesus Loves Me"

Children go to the front of the auditorium.

Song Order:

747 - Sing On Ye Joyful Pilgrims

**Sermon by Chris Wheat** 

"Hope That Sustains" (1Peter 1:3 – 12)

**Invitation Song:** 

853 - When We All Get to Heaven

(Opportunity for responses to the message)

**Closing Prayer: Joe Saucedo** 

If you are visiting with us we extend you a warm welcome!

|              | Week of<br>Nov 11 | Monthly<br>Average |
|--------------|-------------------|--------------------|
|              | 1404 11           | Average            |
| Bible Class  | <u>60</u>         | <u>54</u>          |
| AM Worship   | <u>98</u>         | <u>102</u>         |
| PM Worship   | <u>22</u>         | <u>24</u>          |
| Wednesday PM | <u>55</u>         | <u>62</u>          |
| Contribution | <u>\$2,112</u>    | <u>\$2,859</u>     |

| Northside Leadership |                |  |
|----------------------|----------------|--|
| <u>Elders</u>        | <u>Deacons</u> |  |
| Phil Bancale         | Randy Eubank   |  |
| Chris Borland        | Karl Helpert   |  |
| Aubrey Minchew       | Joe Saucedo    |  |
| Nelson Moore         |                |  |
| <u>Minister</u>      | Worship Leader |  |
| Chris Wheat          | Chris Borland  |  |
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**Words of Wisdom** 



"Life is like an ever-shifting kaleidoscope—a slight change, and all patterns alter.

Sharon SIzberg