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Seek the lost, equip the saints, send the sowers

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TUESDAY MORNING MUSING (775)

Communion Meditation

September 1, 2019

Understanding the Cost

1 John 2.1-3

My little children, I am writing these things to you so that you may not sin. But if anyone does sin, we have an advocate with the Father, Jesus Christ the righteous. He is the propitiation for our sins, and not for ours only but also for the sins of the whole world. And by this we know that we have come to know him, if we keep his commandments.

Today in this worship service, we examine the cost of becoming not just a follower of Jesus the Christ, but a disciple. Is the cost of becoming a disciple too high? All he asks is that we say goodbye to the world, to renounce it. That is not too much to ask, is it? This is the cost of discipleship, a pledge of lifelong repentance! To love God more than anyone or anything this world has to offer.

When one becomes a disciple of Jesus, past, present and future sins are forgiven—we are declared “not guilty!” Do we understand the cost Jesus the Christ had to pay for our sin?

First, he had to forsake his heavenly home—that place no angel of man has seen or will ever see. He gave up his full power as God and lived bound to the human experience.

In our meditation verse, there is a strange word we need to understand if we are to grasp the cost of our discipleship: *propitiation*. It means a sacrifice that turns away wrath. The wages of sin is death and with it eternal punishment of the conscious soul. As cartoons show us; if one enters a bullpen and waves a red flag, the bull charged and the one with the flag takes the horns. If you willfully sin (as Eve and Adam did), you have waved the red flag. Jesus takes the horns for us. But, more than that, he who knew no sin, took not just one sin, but all the sins of every son of Adam and Daughter of Eve from the day of rebellion in Eden until judgment day (2 Cor 5.21). The sin of every thief, wife beater, child abuser, traitor, and murderer who would confess and pledge lifelong repentance. Imagine the cost of that—the weight of all that sin.

The holy Lamb of God is seated at the right hand of the Father, and his pure blood makes continual atonement for all our sin.

So, we keep his commandments, like this one: “As often as you do this, do it in remembrance of me” Luke 22.19-20. Paul adds, “As often as you eat the bread and drink this cup, you remember the Lord’s death until he comes.” 1 Cor 11.26 Eat, drink, commune, remember and wait for his return.

Church Servants

September 8, 2019

Visitation: J Corbet/B Lott/B Noes/C Slone

Serving South Charleston: T Geake

Communion Preparation: The Corbet's

Greeters: C Ritenour

Flowers for the month of September: The Corbet's

Worship Team: R Bennington/P Corbet/R Gorman/
W Lott/P Tidd

Musicians: J Dwyer/R Gorman/D Hays/B Long/
P Long/D Ritenour

Cradle Roll: . . M Long

Kid's Grove: . . J Dwyer

Attendance

S.S.-

Worship-

Offering-

09/01/19

32

60

\$2,616.00

Our Prayers Are With...

Logan Davis, Dewitt & Pauletta Evans, Julie Fugate, Jim Hackley, Danny & Peggy Hays, Connie Huff, Zane Jacks, Carissa Hays Kimley, Sharon Lemaster, Bob Lyons, Bill Mays, Devan Ritenour

Cancer. . . Rita Adams, Darrel Anderson, Cindy Bolden, Terry Bradley, Julie Broderick, Charlotte Caraway, Max Combs (4 yrs.), Jack Cottrell, Dawn Brown, Bonnie Evans, Tracy Evans, Shirley Fox, Shelly Harrison, Tammy Kaylor, Angela Keiser, Carla LeMaster, Clint Mitchem, Caleb Smith, Ron Sprinkle, Terry Summers, Dennis Turner, Amy Westholm, Jim White, Robbie Williamson

Shut-ins. . . Barbara Behrend (Jamestown Place), Zora Gordin (Legacy in Xenia), Hilma Lewis (Traditions of Beaver creek, 339) Helen Lookabaugh (Allen View, 203) Jean Lowery (Worthington Christian Village)

Greeters for September:

08 C Ritenour

15 P Adams

22 The Corbet's

29 V Rector & D Sprinkle

Serving the table in September:

08 J Corbet/B Lott/B Noes/C Slone

15 B Lott/J Goodbar/C Slone/K Basinger

22 J Goodbar/J Michael/K Bassinger/B Campbell

29 J Michael/J Corbet/B Campbell/B Noes

Nursery for September:

08 M Long

15 A Eakle

22 Z Barger

29 M Kattine

Up & Coming Activities In Our Family...

September 7 Men's Breakfast and Work Day,
8:00 a.m.

Kairos test-run,

6:30 p.m. fellowship, 7:00 p.m. service

September 8 Praise Team, 9:00 a.m.

Sunday School, 9:30 a.m.

Morning Worship, 10:20 a.m.

Youth Group, 5:00 p.m.

September 14 Kairos Service, begins

6:30 Fellowship

7:00 p.m. service

Family Drive in movie night at the church after services

September 15 Welcome Dinah & Dr. Zindoga Bungu,

Carry in dinner after morning worship

Flag Football begins, 2:00 p.m.

Board Meeting, 6:00 p.m.

September 22 Tailgate Party in the parking lot,

5:00 p.m.

September 29 Jamestown Place, 2:00 p.m.

Kairos begins on September 14 with a test-run on September 7. Times are Fellowship at 6:30 p.m. and services at 7:00 p.m. After services on the 14th there will be a family drive-in movie.

Please get the word out! September 15, we will be our Homecoming Sunday. Matt Hoffman will be preaching the message. Dinah & Dr. Zindoga Bungu will be presenting a his mission during Sunday School and Celebration time. A carry-in dinner will follow morning worship. There is a sign-up sheet in the foyer.



Ladies Group: On Sunday September 22, at 5:00 p.m., the women and men are combining a meeting to have a "Tailgate Party in the Parking Lot" at 5:00 p.m. with food and acoustical praise music. Invite your friends and neighbors.

If anyone has a pop-up canopy that can be use for the Tailgate Party in September, please see Kevin or Jyl. Thanks.

We received a thank you from Bowersville Church of Christ thanking those who participated in the Back to School backpack program. It was a great success.