

Being Right

By House to House

We demand that pharmacists, architects, airline pilots, and other professionals understand the value of being right. In religion, however, many have a different view. They feel that if one is honest and sincere, then it does not make much difference whether he is right or wrong about beliefs or practices. Jesus does not see it that way. He said, "Not everyone that saith unto me, Lord, Lord, shall enter the kingdom of heaven; but he that doeth the will of my Father which is in heaven" (Mt. 7:21). God's Will, revealed in the Bible, is right and true (John 17:17). Consequently, to be saved one must be right about religious matters—including the Bible's inspiration, Christ's deity, the plan of salvation, Christ's church, morality, worship. We do not have the right to be wrong about these matters.

Being right may put one in the minority and sometimes produces ridicule, as it did with great people like Noah, Daniel, Paul, and of course, Jesus. We should not allow consequences to stand in the way of consecration (2 Tim. 3:12; Mt. 5:10-12).

What is the divine plan for being right? First, submit to God's authority (1 Pet. 5:6). Second, diligently search for the truth (Mt. 7:7). Third, having found the truth, faithfully obey the revealed plan of God (Mt. 7:21).

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Ninety percent of the friction of daily life is caused by the wrong tone of voice.

Whatever is begun in anger ends in shame. —Ben Franklin

Anger is never without a reason, but seldom with a good one. —Ben Franklin

"Be angry, and do not sin" (Eph. 4:26).

Prayers and Concerns

- ◆ Don Luna has been in Baxter since Monday afternoon. He had a bladder infection that became septic. He is much better, so he had the angiogram Saturday morning expecting stents. The blockages are in places they can't use stents so he will have open heart surgery soon.
- ◆ Bill Cockrum had a skin cancer removed from his face. He has also suffered from sciatica and back pain this week.
- ◆ Lisa Langston, Tinker's sister-in-law, had a double mastectomy Tuesday.
- ◆ Dale Strong is now allowed to get back on his tractor and lawn mower, but the sunshine caused him to have a reaction to a medication. He developed a rash.
- ◆ Peggy Johnson had a heart cath test on April 16, but no results yet.
- ◆ Karen Langston got a good report from her doctor.
- ◆ Remember those with health issues—Larry Butler, Aleta Collins, Lloyd Ellis, Rene Blackburn, Ruth Strain, Bob Robbins, Coe Hamm.
- ◆ All those battling cancer—Jamie Crisp, Ricky Langston, Lisa Langston, Tiffany Pleasant, Amy Myers, Don Luna, Jim Kirkland, Wayman King, Donna Shipley, Elaine Hunter (Larry's sister), Dawn (Chris Lemburg's sister), Lionel Daugherty, Jana Crisp, Richard Blackburn, Sharon Fox, Bill Agee, Joy Cutbirth, Dan Hardy.
- ◆ GHCC: Virginia Hambelton, Delphia Holmes. Clifford Lansdown at Hiram Shaddox; Wilbern Uchtman at Brook Haven.
- ◆ Homebound: Vernon James, Steve Siebels, Mary Piepergerdes.

DO YOU NOT KNOW THAT YOUR BODY IS A
TEMPLE OF THE HOLY SPIRIT
WITHIN YOU, WHOM YOU HAVE FROM GOD?
YOU ARE NOT YOUR OWN
FOR YOU WERE BOUGHT
WITH A PRICE
GLORIFY GOD
IN YOUR BODY
1 CORINTHIANS 6:19-20

Thanks to all the ladies who made yesterday's prayer brunch successful. A big thanks to Jane Wade Reynolds for coming from El Dorado to speak to us.

Birthdays		Anniversaries	
4-4	Nichole Lane	4-7	Jim and Pat Kirkland (10)
4-6	Barbara James	Birthdays	
4-11	Vicki Smith	4-26	Mark Lane
4-14	Sailor Anderson (21)	4-27	Barbara Stevens
4-18	Lana Cockrum	4-28	Rebecca Hambelton
4-19	Logan Hillhouse		

Esther and Rebecca will be serving enchilada casserole, sides, and dessert for our Wednesday night fellowship supper.

Date	Event	Details
Saturday, May 2 8:30-1:00	Ladies' Day at Smith Chapel Church	Kara Hambelton Johnson is the speaker.
Saturday, June 13, 9-2	Vacation Bible School	Take a trip to Rainforest Falls

Grasshopper Religion

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Back at the turn of the last century, a plague of locusts hit the Plains of the United States. In a matter of a few days, that swarm of locusts swept over Nebraska, Iowa, and Kansas. In less than a week, they did over five hundred million dollars' worth of damage (in that currency). Locusts do not have a king to get them organized (Prov. 30:27). They don't have a draft board to call them into ranks. By instinct, a locust knows it has to be in community with other locusts. When that occurs, they can topple kingdoms. The wisdom of the locust is the wisdom that tells us we must have community. "So we, being many, are one body in Christ, and every one members one of another" ~ Romans 12:5; cf. Gal. 3:28

April Worship Assignments

Welcome & Shepherd's Prayer

4-19 Don Luna
4-26 John Abraham

Communion & Closing Prayer

Dana Crisp
Matt Kyle

Song Leader: John Abraham
Greeters: Don and Barbara Luna

The Family News

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A Place to Call Home

We welcome you and are so glad you could worship with us today.

Schedule of Services

Sunday

9:30 a.m. Bible Classes for All Ages

10:30 a.m. Worship Service: ***The New Temple***

Wednesday

6 p.m. Fellowship Supper

7 p.m. Bible Classes for all ages

Sunday Worship Outline

Welcome and Shepherd's Prayer

Kids Singing up front

#490, *It Is Well with My Soul*

#327, *It's All Because of God's Amazing Grace*

How Deep the Father's Love; Communion Service

#464, *Because He Lives*

Sermon and Invitation

#903, *There Is Power in the Blood*

#1018, *Joy to the World*; Closing Prayer

Offering baskets are located at the back.

We are a community of redeemed sinners who are following Jesus Christ, proclaiming the gospel of grace, loving our Lord and one another.

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Ministers: Every Member—Each One of Us