

July 10, 2022

Lead Like Jesus

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Services

Sunday

Bible Study	9:30 am
A.M. Worship	10:20 am
P.M. Worship	2:00 pm

Wednesday

Bible Class	7:00 pm
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Elders: Mike Gerber, Travis Hall

Deacons: John Frost, Dave Goff,
Roger Sholders

Visitors are welcome

We offer Bible classes for all ages

We also offer in-home Bible studies

We have Bible lessons on the radio
(92.9 FM) Sundays from 8:00-8:30 a.m.

The most influential leader to ever walk this earth is Jesus Christ.

Jesus has affected the lives of billions of people over thousands of years. He continues to have as large an impact today, nearly 2,000 years after He left this earth, as ever.

The Bible only contains a portion of the remarkable things our Lord did (**John 21:25**), but it provides enough to show why He was influential, and why His influence was for *good*.

Some of the attributes that made Jesus a great leader are unique to Him as Deity and as the Messiah, but much of what made Him so influential is applicable to us if we want to lead others to salvation.

Jesus "Practiced What He Preached": Jesus not only taught the Father's will, He showed us what it means to follow His will. After Jesus washed His disciples' feet in **John 13**, He said "***For I have given you an example, that ye should do as I have done to you***" (**verse 15**). Washing His disciples' feet showed what meekness, humility, and selflessness is. He preached the importance of these principles often. In **John 13**, He "practiced what He preached" (cf. **1 Pet. 2:21**).

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One of the greatest hindrances to leading others to salvation is the hypocrisy of some who do not practice what they preach. People who “**say, and do not**” (**Matt. 23:3**) are harmful to seed that is sown among non-believers. We can’t control the actions of all who claim to be Christians, but we must control our own actions to ensure that we are truly leading by example, like Jesus did (cf. **1 Cor. 11:1**).

Jesus Cared Deeply for Others: One of the best examples Jesus showed is how to love others (**John 15:12-13**). His care for our souls led Him to give His life, but He demonstrated care for others long before His death.

Jesus did not just “go through the motions” when He helped others. He had a caring, compassionate heart (cf. **Matt. 14:14; 15:32; 20:34**).

We should care deeply for others as well (**Phil. 2:4-5**). We must “hate sin, but love the sinner.”

Jesus’ Doctrine is Divine: Another significant reason for Jesus’ influence is that His doctrine comes from above, just as He, as Deity, came to earth from

above (cf. **John 6:38; 7:16**).

His doctrine did not originate with man, but with God.

Consider the impact He had on some Jewish officers who heard Him speak (**John 7:46**). Or the impact He had on those who heard His “Sermon on the Mount” (**Matt. 7:28-29**).

His words had a powerful effect, and a *positive* effect, partly because of the authority He was able to speak with, but also in large part because His doctrine is divine.

Divine doctrine is revealed to us today in His written Word. This truth has as much power today as ever.

God’s written Word is sharper than any two-edged sword, and convicts those who hear it with a sincere heart, just as the truth did in Jesus’ time.

Teaching the truth through word and deed has the power to lead others to salvation because God designed truth to work that way (**Rom. 10:17**).

Like Jesus, we can lead others to truth and help save souls from death.

Area Gospel Meetings

Yale Church of Christ:
July 11 – 15 (with Ron Griffin)
Mon-Fri: 7:00 PM

Bellair Church of Christ:
July 18 – 22 (with Chuck Bartlett)
Mon-Fri: 7:00 PM

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God’s Plan for Saving Man

God’s Grace	Ephesians 2:8
Christ’s Blood	Romans 5:9
The Holy Spirit’s Gospel	Romans 1:16
Sinner’s Faith	Acts 16:31
Sinner’s Repentance	Luke 13:3
Sinner’s Confession	Romans 10:10
Sinner’s Baptism	1 Peter 3:21
Christian’s Work	James 2:24
Christian’s Hope	Romans 8:24
Christian’s Endurance	Revelation 2:10

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Words to Consider

“Whatever you do, in word or deed, do all in the name of the Lord Jesus, giving thanks to God the Father, through him.” – Coloss. 3:17 (WEB)

Prayer List

Holly G
Jerry & Sandy S
Cheryl S
Norma C
Raymond B
Robert C
Doans’ Grandson, Wilson
Devin D (Cancer)
Vicki S (Cancer)
Susan F (Cancer)
Christie’s Brother, Jerry (Lung Cancer)
Berlyn Y
Leah C

Daily Bible Reading

July 10 – Job 41-42; Acts 16:22-40
July 11 – Psalm 1-3; Acts 17:1-15
July 12 – Psalm 4-6; Acts 17:16-34
July 13 – Psalm 7-9; Acts 18
July 14 – Psalm 10-12; Acts 19:1-20
July 15 – Psalm 13-15; Acts 19:21-41
July 16 – Psalm 16-17; Acts 20:1-16

“Give diligence to present yourself approved by God, a workman who doesn’t need to be ashamed, properly handling the Word of Truth.” – 2 Timothy 2:15 (WEB)

Prayer Leaders

Sunday, July 10, 2022

Bible Study: Michael

Worship: Dan H

Evening: Steve

Wednesday, July 13, 2022

Darrell

Assignments

Sunday, July 17, 2022

Reading: Jim

Announcements: Roger

Table: Mike

Serve: John

Jeff

Dan D

Mark

Wednesday, July 20, 2022

Invitation: Larry

Clean Building

Misty

Prepare Communion

Misty

Upcoming Reminders

Wednesday (13th) adult class:

1 Corinthians 13

Next Sunday (17th) adult class:

Anniversaries

July 11 – Ethan & Lindsay

July 16 – Darrell & Sidney

Birthdays

July 12 – Holly

July 12 – Jessilyn