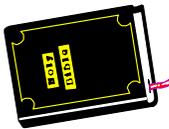


WEST COLUMBIA CHURCH OF CHRIST



“every disciple that is perfect, shall be as his master.” Luke 6:40

IS IT ENOUGH?

Solomon was a man that God loved. Did you know that Solomon had **another** name - one given to him especially by **God**? It was **Jedidiah**, which means **"Beloved of the Lord"** (2 Samuel 12:25). But was that enough to keep Solomon secure? Was he free from care about his relationship with God? After all, he was "Beloved of the Lord". No, it **wasn't** enough. God did His part, Solomon needed to do **his**—but didn't. We know that Solomon fell away from God. God's love **wasn't** enough—Solomon needed to love God also. It was the love of **other things** which turned Solomon away from God. A **wiser** man there never was, nor a **richer**, a man blessed in so many ways by God, yet it **wasn't** enough.

"For it came to pass, when Solomon was old, that his wives turned away his heart after other gods: and his heart was not perfect with the Lord his God" - 1 Kings 11:4

The Jews were the same way. God loved them, they were his people. The Lord sent prophets to them, to warn them and bring them back. He sent **Jesus** to them. But it **wasn't** enough. They didn't love God in return. Listen to Jesus' lament, and the condemnation at the end:

"O Jerusalem, Jerusalem, thou that killest the prophets, and stonest them which are sent unto thee, how often would I have gathered thy children together; even as a hen gathers her chickens under her wings, and YE WOULD NOT!" - Matthew 23:37

God **wanted** them, but they didn't want God. They lost. So can we. Are we better than Solomon? Are we more God's people than the Jews? We might be called God's people, we might have been added by Him to His church, but that **won't** be enough if we don't obey, **every moment**, His first command:

"Thou shalt love the Lord thy God with ALL thy HEART, and with ALL thy SOUL and with ALL thy MIND. This is the FIRST and great commandment." - Matthew 22:37,38

God's love is enough, **if** we love Him. Let's do **our** part, **every day**, taking up our cross to die to self and instead live for God. Invite people to the assembly, make sure you're there too whenever the doors are open. **Participate** in the work of the church with your brothers and sisters. Get involved in **God's** work and **show** Him you love Him more than the things of this world and it **will** be enough.

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SERMONS 1/29/2006

AM Scott Parker:
What Team Do You Play For?
PM Scott Parker:
Dismantling "The Sinner's Prayer"
Souls added to the church in 2006: 3

"Be careful for nothing; but in every thing by prayer and supplication with thanksgiving let your request be made known unto God." - Philippians 4:6

A Warm Welcome awaits you at all our services! Come see.

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“REJOICE WITH THEM THAT DO REJOICE!”

- **AGAIN!** We rejoice to announce that two more precious souls were snatched from Satan and added to the church by the Lord. **Barbara Berry**, daughter of Ethel Smith and **Stacy Reynolds** obeyed the gospel Wednesday evening about 6:30 PM. They had visited at the invitation of Sister Smith and listened attentively to the bible teaching in classes and sermons. Evangelist **Scott Parker** met with them for more bible study and they became convinced they needed to obey the Lord's command. We are humbled at the love of our Father and our Lord Jesus that we might have a part in this, His great salvation.

“For I am not ashamed of the gospel of Christ: for it is the power of God unto salvation to every one that believes; to the Jew first, and also to the Greek.” - Rom 1:16

“IS ANY SICK AMONG YOU?”

- **REMEMBER IN PRAYER:** Ron Banks, Beryl Parks, Mary Honeycutt, Hagood Godley, and our shut-ins Jessica Herring, Zudora Clegg, Phyllis Johnson, Nina Ruth Meadows (Marcella Klieves' mother), James Mathias (Tommy White's brother-in-law), Kathryn Hall (Melissa Parks' sister), Frances Griffin (Melissa's aunt), Jack and Elma Berrier, Margaret Herring and her daughter Ann Gunter, Charles Pittman and family, John Rollins (Ethel Smiths brother-in-law) and Kelly Giles, Bobby's father.
- **Ashley Williams** is not well and greatly needs our prayers at this time.
- **Melissa Parks** requests prayers for her father, **Jack Edwards** in Virginia who is having severe back pain.
- **Marilyn Brooks** is still having physical trials and covets our prayers. She sent a nice card thanking folks, saying she knows she's in the right place here at West Columbia having found the agape love she's been looking for.
- **Evaline Lowe** requests prayers for her daughter in law, **Donna Lowe** in Wyoming who recently had surgery.
- **Gwen Pittman** requests prayers for **Nora Williams**, mother of Wanda Pittman, **Lynn Barrow**, her brother's wife, **John Brackford**, her nephew and the **Williams family** who are having trying times.
- **Ted Stidham** is doing poorly, but is hoping to make it to the assembly.
- **Marcella Klieves, Bobby Giles** and **Kaitlyn Sheppard** were a bit under the weather last week, but are getting better.
- “For I reckon that the sufferings of this present time are not worthy to be compared with the glory which shall be revealed in us.” - Romans 8:18
- Pray that a door will be opened at the **Lexington County Detention Center** for us. **Anne Louise Gordon**, a prisoner there, has been studying her bible, taking a bible correspondence course from the church in Walterboro and wants to be baptized, but prison officials are balking at letting us immerse her there.

“AND THEY CONTINUED STEADFASTLY”

- We had **80** for our last Wednesday night singing. This is very encouraging! And it sounded good too!
- **Singing!** This Sunday 1/29/2006 at the Twin Cities church 2:30-4:30PM.
- **Carolina Men's Fellowship**, Sat. March 11, 2006 at Rock Hill. 9 AM—3 PM.
- **Bible Bowl study times:** Wed. 7 PM, Sun 10 AM and 4:30PM.
- Our first **Teach, Reach and Eat meeting** will be at **Dawn and Jones Gamble's** home, **Saturday February 4**, about 3PM. Brother Gamble will give a short devotional (very short, he says), and after prayer we'll go out in 3 or 4 teams, led by able men, to **knock on doors** in the neighborhood and invite people to visit with us at the Gamble's home for refreshments and talk of the Bible. Please come help, and pray that the Lord will bless our efforts to glorify Him through our faith in Him and the power of His word.
- Details on the above activities are posted on the **bulletin board in the foyer**.
- Encourage those **visiting** to fill out the new **GUEST CARDS** and pass them to the center aisle where they'll be collected at the end of the assembly.
- “Bear ye one another's burdens, and so fulfill the law of Christ.” - Galatians 6:2
- “PROVOKE TO LOVE AND GOOD WORKS”
- Many members are reaching out to their neighbors and friends and family and **inviting them to visit**. This is wonderful! And it's working!! Let's do more!!
- “He that is faithful in that which is least is faithful also in much;” - Luke 16:10
- **Tom Rinehart** is back early from Arkansas. It was good to see him and **Stephanie** Wednesday evening.
- Say hello to **Cameron Goff** and **Brittany Goff**, his sister, who've been attending recently. **Cameron** is in the National Guard and **Brittney** is going to USC.
- We've added two new **bulletin boards** in the **fellowship hall** for congregational news, information, requests, announcements etc. Members are welcome to post things there they want others to know about. The elders will monitor.
- Our thanks to **Billy and Martha Geiger, Garland Matthews, Tommy White, Scott and Tricia Parker, Janet Boyd, Paula Kennedy** and **Don Klieves** who braved the cold and drizzly weather last Saturday for our first **Christian Block Party**. They passed out over 300 flyers and invitations to come visit us. **Vernicia Matthews**, the **Sheppards** and others helped bag the bible literature before hand. **Paula** gave a real workout to **Don** and **Tommy**, not wasting any time walking Decree Street and D Avenue putting out our material. **WERE WERE ALL THE YOUNG FOLKS?** ENQUIRING ELDERS WANT TO KNOW! Next time we'll have 2000 bagged to hand out in area neighborhoods (Lord willing) so be ready!
- “And the multitude of them that believed were of one heart and of one soul: neither said any of them that ought of the things which he possessed was his own; but they had all things common.” - Acts 4:32