

WEST COLUMBIA CHURCH OF CHRIST



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

He Humbled Himself

Have you ever considered how humble our Lord was? The Lord Jesus Christ “...was rich, yet for your sakes he became poor, that ye through his poverty might be rich” (2 Corinthians 8:9). He gave up the treasures of Heaven for us! He lived in poverty and died a horrible death for us! Please notice how humble the Lord was:

The Lord humbled Himself to become a man – “Let this mind be in you, which was also in Christ Jesus: Who, being in the form of God, thought it not robbery to be equal with God: But made himself of no reputation, and took upon him the form of a servant, and was made in the likeness of men” (Philippians 2:5-7).

He was submissive to his earthly parents – “And he went down with them, and came to Nazareth, and was subject unto them: but his mother kept all these sayings in her heart” (Luke 2:51).

He was submissive to His heavenly Father – “I can of mine own self do nothing: as I hear, I judge: and my judgment is just; because I seek not mine own will, but the will of the Father which hath sent me” (John 5:30).

His submissive humility was displayed in His baptism – “Then cometh Jesus from Galilee to Jordan unto John, to be baptized of him. But John forbad him, saying, I have need to be baptized of thee, and comest thou to me? And Jesus answering said unto him, Suffer it to be so now: for thus it becometh us to fulfill all righteousness. Then he suffered him” (Matthew 3:13-15).

The Son of God even washed men’s feet! – “After that he poureth water into a bason, and began to wash the disciples’ feet, and to wipe them with the towel wherewith he was girded” (John 13:5).

He descended from the loftiest heights of Heaven and humbled Himself to the lowest possible point – the point of death on the cross! “And being found in fashion as a man, he humbled himself, and became obedient unto death, even the death of the cross” (Philippians 2:8). (Continued on Page 3)

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“For even hereunto were ye called: because Christ also suffered for us, leaving us an example, that ye should follow his steps:” - 1 Peter 2:21

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RECORDS 5/13/2007

SERMONS 5/20/2007

Sun 10 AM Bible Study:	63	AM:	Jerry Manning
Sun 11 AM Assembly:	105		
Sun 6 PM Assembly:	72		
Weds 7 PM Bible Study:	65	PM:	Jerry Manning
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“Look to yourselves, that we lose not those things which we have wrought, but that we receive a full reward.

Whosoever transgresses, and abides not in the doctrine of Christ, hath not God. He that abides in the doctrine of Christ, he hath both the Father and the Son.” - 2 John 9

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

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“PRAY FOR ONE ANOTHER” - James 5:16

- **REMEMBER IN PRAYER:** Beryl Parks, Margaret Herring, and our shut-ins Jessica Herring, Zudora Clegg, and Phyllis Johnson. Also, Nina Ruth Meadows (Marcella Klieves' mother), Jack and Elma Berrier, Nathaniel Manning (Jerry and Lynn's grandson).
- Margie Banks is to have surgery this Friday, 5/18/2007.
- Brother Ron Banks came forward Sunday requesting the prayers of the church.
- Anne Louise Gordon, after 4 years, has had her trial date set for 7/9/2007.
- Don and Nancy Fields' daughter Jennifer and her unborn baby are doing better. Don and Nancy have been traveling a lot to Maryland.
- Donnie Fields has been having some stomach problems.
- Claudia Pinkston, a member of the church, is gravely ill with cancer.
- Jason Parks is to be working in Vancouver Canada for awhile.
- Keith Carter's dad, Billy Carter, is home now recovering from bypass surgery.
- Also remember Tom Rinehart, who has some back problems, in your prayers.

“And the second is like unto it, Thou shalt love thy neighbour as thyself.

On these two commandments hang all the law and the prophets.” - Matthew 23:39,40

“AND THEY CONTINUED STEADFASTLY” - Acts 2:42

- Remember our sister Anne Louise Gordon and the work at LCDC in your prayers. Brother Manning has been able to teach regularly and reach many who want to obey God and be baptized into Christ but are prevented from doing so. Also remember William Horan, an inmate in Pod G, who is teaching others the truth and wants to be baptized himself, but is hindered by the authorities. Send a card or letter to him at: **PO Box 2019, PG-5 Lexington, SC 29071**

“Jesus said unto him, 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 23:37,38

“PROVOKE TO LOVE AND GOOD WORKS” - Hebrews 10:24

- Sharon and Marshall Mancuso invite all to come visit them in their new home this Sunday afternoon at 3 pm. At 4 pm **Work Team C** will meet there.
- **Graduation Drop-In** for Courtney Gamble and John Manning, Saturday May 26, 2007, 7:30-10pm, at the Gamble's home, 129 Big Timber Dr, Lexington.
- **Gospel Meeting**, Greer church of Christ with Mel Futrell, Friday-Sunday June 8-10, 2007, 7:30 pm.
- Our **Fall Gospel meeting has moved up a week to September 9-12**, Sun-Wed, with Keith Mosher, Dean of Academics at Memphis School of Preaching.
- Sister Laura Henry's new address is:

111 Generations Blvd, Room 217, Batesburg-Leesville, SC 29006.

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“REJOICE WITH THEM THAT DO REJOICE!” - Romans 12:15

- Sister Beth Johnson had good news in that surgery is not required after all.
- John Manning is home after visiting his brother at MSOP.
- Carolyn Lee is back after visiting her daughter in North Carolina.
- Julia Kelleher fell and badly sprained her ankle, but is doing better and should be able to make it down the aisle quite nimbly at 2 pm this Saturday when she and brother Chris Crabb are to be wed at the Mitchell House in Lexington.
- **We continue our rejoicing!!** as Richard Smith and Stephanie Westfall were baptized into Christ Sunday morning. Richard was recently released from LCDC where he had been studying and assisting brother Manning. He has a job and is zealous for the Lord. He is presently staying with his sister, Stephanie Westfall who also obeyed the gospel. Stephanie is a single mom raising 2 young sons, Fred (10) and David (15). Their address is: 4404 Cedar Springs Rd., Columbia, SC, 29206. Remember them in your prayers and encourage them in the Lord.

“Praise ye the LORD. Praise, O ye servants of the LORD, praise the name of the LORD.

Blessed be the name of the LORD from this time forth and for evermore. From the rising of the sun unto the going down of the same the LORD'S name is to be praised. The LORD is high above all nations, and his glory above the heavens. Who is like unto the LORD our God, who dwelleth on high, Who humbleth himself to behold the things that are in heaven, and in the earth! He raiseth up the poor out of the dust, and lifteth the needy out of the dunghill; That he may set him with princes, ... Praise ye the LORD.” - Psalm 113

“WEEP WITH THEM THAT WEEP” - Romans 12:15

We regret to announce the passing of Melissa Parks' father, Jack Edwards this past Sunday at 4 am after a long fight with cancer. He passed quietly and the family was with him. The funeral was Wednesday and the church sent flowers. Jason is on his way home, and then to Canada where he'll be working. Remember Melissa and Jason in your prayers.

“To every thing there is a season, and a time to every purpose under the heaven:
A time to be born, and a time to die;” Ecclesiastes 3:1

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There can be no doubt that the Lord Jesus Christ is the ultimate example of humility! After Christ's humble submission to death, He was exalted by God the Father: “Wherefore God also hath highly exalted him, and given him a name which is above every name: That at the name of Jesus every knee should bow, of things in heaven, and things in earth, and things under the earth; And that every tongue should confess that Jesus Christ is Lord, to the glory of God the Father” (Philippians 2:9-11).

Christ taught us that we will also be exalted if we humble ourselves: “For whosoever exalteth himself shall be abased; and he that humbleth himself shall be exalted” (Luke 14:11). May we look to His example of humble obedience, and heed the words of Paul: “Let this mind be in you, which was also in Christ Jesus” (Phil. 2:5).

- Jason Hilburn, Gospel Preacher, Luverne Church of Christ, Alabama