### Sunday Sermon's

AM - Growing Up or Growing Old - 1 Peter 3:8-9 - Ray Pack

PM - Moments with the Master - A Terrifying Moment John 8:1-11 - Ray Pack

South Jackson Beacon "I am the light of the world. He who follows Me shall not walk in darkness, but have the light of life."

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South Jackson Events Today Forest Cove Devotional 2:30 p.m.

> Each Tuesday Morning Dorcas Class 10:00

> > March 13th Youth Devotional

March 20th Men's Business Meeting 3:30 p.m.

March 27th Forest Cove Devotional 2:30 p.m.

### Area Events

March 6th - 8th Gospel Meeting at East Jackson 7:00

### 1 Peter 3:8-9

<sup>8</sup> Finally, all *of you be* of one mind, having compassion for one another; love as brothers, *be* tenderhearted, *be* court eous;<sup>[a] 9</sup> not returning evil for evil or reviling for reviling, but on the contrary blessing, knowing that you were called to this, that you may inherit a blessing.

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Mar 6th - MORNING WORSHIP

6 A.M. Ray Pack, Gaylon Cooper

Announcements: Heath Stewart

Lead Singing: John Smith Read Scripture: Paul Hatcher Opening Prayer: Joe Venable Sermon: Ray Pack Closing Prayer: Jeff Cogdell

Communion:

G. Cooper, J. Eddleman, Malik James Ken Ross, Luther Merritt, Van McConnell

Greeters: M/M Ken Wadley

Nursery Att: A.M. Stephanie Pack P.M. Tianna Richardson

#### Mar 6th- EVENING WORSHIP

Lead Singing: Paul Hatcher Opening Prayer: Freeman Kidder Sermon: Ray Pack Closing Prayer: Walt Ferguson Communion: Mike Wages, Ray Pack

Mar 9th - WED BIBLE STUDY

Lead Singing: Paul Hatcher Opening Prayer: Quantum Green Invitation: Seth Newell Closing Prayer: Ken Ross

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# ~News and Notes~

### PRAYERS ARE REQUESTED FOR THE FOLLOWING PEOPLE:

We have had several people out with the flu this week and also, **Joe Venable** has pneumonia. **Freeman Kidder** says he is finally feeling some better from the flu.

**Ron McDonald** received his report from his doctor on all the tests. No definitive answers, but his meds have been changed a little to see if that helps.

Chip Thomas has been sick this week with a sinus infection and sore throat.

Members: James and Dot Eddleman, Nadine McDonald, Iva Hopper, Teresa Yearwood, Mary Bolen, Ted Lingren, Inez Rigsby, Helen Avent, Fredie Stewart, and Carleton & Cindy Kidder

Friends & Family: Horace Yearwood

### **RECENT RESPONSES**

Laura Booker and Madison Wooley have come back "home." We rejoice and pray for them.

### LOOK FOR SOMETHING POSITIVE IN EACH DAY, EVEN IF SOME DAYS YOU HAVE TO LOOK A LITTLE HARDER.

Pantry Item this week is for Tennessee Children's Home: Canola, Vegetable or Olive Oil

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Mar 13th - MORNING WORSHIP 6 A.M. Les Farough

Announcements: Heath Stewart

Lead Singing: John Smith Read Scripture: Costel Ghimpu Opening Prayer: Joseph Johnson Sermon: Ray Pack Closing Prayer: Paul Hatcher

**Communion:** G. Cooper, J. Eddleman, Malik James Ken Ross, Luther Merritt, Van McConnell

Greeters: M/M Mike Wages

Nursery Att: A.M. Melissa Phifer P.M. Jeanette Morris

### Mar 13th- EVENING WORSHIP

Lead Singing: Seth Newell Opening Prayer: Carleton Kidder Sermon: Ray Pack Closing Prayer: Quantum Green Communion: Mike Wages, Ray Pack

#### Mar 16th - WED BIBLE STUDY

Lead Singing: Les Farough Opening Prayer: Joseph Johnson Invitation: Ken Ross Closing Prayer: Seth Newell

### Weekly Record

6 a.m. Worship	6
Sun. Morning Bible Study	74
Sunday Morning Worship	113
Sunday Evening Worship	75
Wed. Bible Study	87
Contribution	\$4077

## What Did Jesus Mean When He Told Peter to Forgive Others "Seventy Times Seven?"

Probably most of us know the answer to this question, but it does not hurt to review this ever important truth from the lips of the Master Teacher.

If you recall this answer was given by Jesus to a question from Peter. Peter asked, "How often shall my brother sin against me and I forgive him, seven times?" Many pages have been penned regarding exactly why Peter used the number 7 times. I am not quite sure that we can ascertain with absolute certainty why Peter chose the number seven. I think the suggestion that he was doubling the number 3 (which some say is what the rabbis



taught regarding how many times to forgive) and then adding one might have some merit, but I must admit there are other plausible suggestions as well.

As you know, the question is tied to the parable of the unmerciful servant. In this parable his lord forgives the servant of an unpayable debt. Soon after, the servant finds someone who owes him a very small debt and demands that person pay him. The fellow servant makes the same plea that the first servant made to his lord, but the fellow servant is not willing to extend an even lesser grace to the servant that owed him money.

This parable represents to us a spiritual message of forgiveness. The lord in the parable represents God. He has forgiven us a debt we could never repay. But we in turn are unwilling to forgive others. This is quite a lesser forgiveness (the forgiveness of a human to a human) than the forgiveness extended by Deity to man.

Every time we sin, we need to ask the forgiveness of God (again and again). He forgives as often as we repent and ask for that forgiveness. To do any less to our fellow man is to set ourselves above God. How about you? Are you willing to forgive seventy times seven? If not, you might want to read Jesus' application of that parable.

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