

Sunday Sermon's

AM - The Real Shepherd - Psalm 23 Part 3 - Ray Pack

**PM - Moments with the Master - A Touching Moment
Mark 5:22-34 - 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

Men's Business Meeting 3:30 p.m.

Each Tuesday Morning

Dorcas Class, 10:00 a.m.

April 24

Forest Cove Devotional 2:30- p.m.

Area Events

April 17th - 20th

Gospel Meeting at Finger
Brian Kenyon speaking

April 20th - 24th

37th Annual Phillips Street Lecture
Ladies Day on Saturday, the 23rd

April 23rd

Ladies' Day at Middleton

Those Privileged to Serve

**Apr 17th- MORNING WORSHIP
6 A.M.** Les Farough

Announcements: Mike Wages

Lead Singing: Mike Wages

Read Scripture: Jeff Cogdell

Opening Prayer: Ken Ross

Sermon: Ray Pack

Closing Prayer: Chip Thomas

Communion:

Joe Venable, Philip Love, Jonathan Orr
F. Kidder, Ken Wadley, Harold Davis

Greeters: Panda, Quantum, and
Nijerika Green

Nursery Att: **A.M.** Charnae James
P.M. Sandra Jones

Apr 17th- EVENING WORSHIP

Lead Singing: Chip Thomas

Opening Prayer: Seth Newell

Sermon: Ray Pack

Closing Prayer: Bobby Richardson

Communion:

Chip Thomas, Walt Ferguson

Apr 20th - WED BIBLE STUDY

Lead Singing: Chip Thomas

Opening Prayer: Freeman Kidder

Invitation: Ray Pack

Closing Prayer: Seth Newell

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~News and Notes~

PRAYERS ARE REQUESTED FOR THE FOLLOWING PEOPLE:

Matthew Howard, the young man who was in an ATV accident, is getting a little better each day. He still has a long way to go, but he will probably be moved out of ICU (Le Bonheur) and into a regular room in a few days.

Members: Ron and Nadine McDonald, Inez Rigsby, Teresa Yearwood, Ted Lingren, Freddie Stewart, and Cindy Kidder

Friends & Family: Horace Yearwood

Send your cards this week to:

Jean Harber
36 Parkburg Rd.
Jackson, TN 38301

Theresa Yearwood
490 Canovan Rd.
Medon, TN 38356



Pantry Item this week
Canned Green Peas

Those Privileged to Serve

Apr 24th- MORNING WORSHIP
6 A.M. Eddie Anderson, John Smith

Announcements: Mike Wages

Lead Singing: Mike Wages
Read Scripture: Carleton Kidder
Opening Prayer: Joseph Johnson
Sermon: Ray Pack
Closing Prayer: James Eddleman

Communion:
Joe Venable, Philip Love, Jonathan Orr
F. Kidder, Ken Wadley, Harold Davis

Greeters: M/M Stennis Lewis
Nursery Att: A.M. Sybil Jones
P.M. Jeanette Morris

Apr 24th- EVENING WORSHIP

Lead Singing: Paul Hatcher
Opening Prayer: Freeman Kidder
Sermon: Singing Night
Closing Prayer: Quantum Green
Communion:

Chip Thomas, Walt Ferguson

Apr 27th - WED BIBLE STUDY

Lead Singing: Paul Hatcher
Opening Prayer: Joseph Johnson
Invitation: Seth Newell
Closing Prayer: Ray Pack

Weekly Record

6 a.m. Worship	7
Sun. Morning Bible Study	99
Sunday Morning Worship	150
Sunday Evening Worship	91
Wed. Bible Study	94
Contribution	\$4899

VBS - June 20th - 23rd

Lord Willing

It's a phrase many people use in the church, in a very positive way. If you are unfamiliar with the phrase it is basically a way for the Christian to acknowledge that even though we often make plans God is completely in control of our lives. An example of the usage of this phrase is when making traveling plans. Suppose I made plans to travel and visit family in Nashville on Saturday. When asked about my weekend plans I might say, "I'll be going to visit family, Lord Willing." Often times even the most mundane plans get a "Lord Willing." I think this is still a fairly common practice but many people have forgotten where it came from.



This phrase originates from the passage in James 4:13-17, "13 Come now, you who say, 'Today or tomorrow we will go into such and such a town and spend a year there and trade and make a profit'— 14 yet you do not know what tomorrow will bring. What is your life? For you are a mist that appears for a little time and then vanishes. 15 Instead you ought to say, 'If the Lord wills, we will live and do this or that.' 16 As it is, you boast in your arrogance. All such boasting is evil."

Here James is writing to Christians and telling them that it's okay to make plans for life and business but that we need to remember that God is the one who is ultimately in control. James tells us that our life is like a mist (many translations read vapor) — it's short and temporary. I think we so frequently forget that to our own peril. It's easy for all people to fall into this trap, and I'm speaking from experience being what most would consider young at 25 years old. I personally hear phrases all the time like, "You have the rest of your life ahead of you" or "You'll have plenty of time to do that later in life." I certainly hope to live well past 80 but I know that I am not guaranteed anything in life. For our own BENEFIT we have to remember that our life could come to an end at any given moment no matter what society tells us. This helps us to remember that our life is in God's control.

James tells us if we fail to do this we "boast in your arrogance. All such boasting is evil." Making plans becomes tricking ourselves into thinking we are in control and failing to acknowledge who really is in control—God! We have to realize that God is really running the show, and that we exist to serve Him. It's a great idea for us to sprinkle in, "Lord Willing" as we discuss our plans because it's an opportunity to demonstrate who ultimately is in control.

*Kurt Montooth
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