Those Privileged to Serve

July 30th - MORNING WORSHIP

6 A.M. R. Pack, G. Cooper **Announcements:** Jeff Lewis

Lead Singing: Ray Pack
Read Scripture: Darrell Cunningham
Opening Prayer: Bobby Richardson
Sermon: Ken Ross

Closing Prayer: Joe Venable

Communion:

J. Eddleman, C. Richardson, T. Williams B. Richardson, M. Thomas, J. Cogdell

Greet: Doris Crow & Lisa Thompson Nursery Att: A.M. Carol Crouse P.M. Jeanette Morris

July 30th - EVENING WORSHIP

Lead Singing: John Smith
Opening Prayer: Marion Thomas
Sermon: Bobby Richardson
Closing Prayer: Ken Ross
Communion:
F. Kidder, C. Kidder

Aug 2nd - WED BIBLE STUDY

Lead Singing: John Smith Opening Prayer: Gaylon Cooper Devotional: Darrell Cunningham Closing Prayer: Joseph Johnson

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South Jackson Church of Christ 845 Hwy 18 Medon, TN 38356 www. southjacksonchurchofchrist.org (731) 424-9721 Aug 6th - MORNING WORSHIP

6 A.M. B. Richardson, M. Wages

Announcements: Darrell Cunningham

Lead Singing: John Smith Read Scripture: Costel Gimphu Opening Prayer: Joseph Johnson Sermon: Marion Thomas Closing Prayer: Tommy Williams

Communion:

J. Venable, P. Love, G. Phifer G. Cooper, W. Ferguson, S. Lewis

Greet: Freeman & Sheila Kidder Nursery Att: A.M. Panda Green P.M. Nijerika Green

Aug 6th - EVENING WORSHIP

Lead Singing: Mike Wages
Opening Prayer: Freeman Kidder
Sermon: Marion Thomas
Closing Prayer: Paul Hatcher
Communion:
K. Ross, M. Wages

Aug 9th - WED BIBLE STUDY

Lead Singing: Mike Wages
Opening Prayer: Ray Pack
Devotional: Ken Ross
Closing Prayer: Marion Thomas

Weekly Record

6 AM Worship	7
Sun. Morning Bible Study	90
Sunday Morning Worship	127
Sunday Evening Worship	72
Wed. Bible Study	83
Contribution	\$ 5275



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How Firm a Foundation Dan Jenkins

Those who attack our faith would have us believe that we have nothing more than blind faith and that we are living in a "dream world" in our view of life and the future. What the world does not understand is that there is insurmountable evidence for our faith. We are not those who have bought into a cunningly devised fable that is without foundation.

Consider one aspect of the evidence for our faith and how it gives substance to all of our lives. That aspect is the many prophecies that were written hundreds of years before Jesus was born and the fact He fulfilled them all. The following is from the writings of Hugo McCord and appears in his book, From Heaven or From Men:

"If only 50 prophecies about Jesus had been made, assuming an equal chance for their happening or not happening, the law of probability against all 50 being fulfilled is that of the 50th power of two to unity; that is, the probability is greater than 1,125,000,000 to one. Then to assume that the 50 events would happen contemporaneously surpasses the power of numbers to express correctly the immense improbability of it taking place. If 100 prophecies had been made, the chance that they would happen to one man is less than the drops of water if the world were completely water. But there are not 50, not 100, but 332 prophecies about Jesus."

Do you see the force of his words? There is not an equal chance of any of these prophecies happening. For example, the only way for the prophecy of his birthplace being in Bethlehem would be if there were only two villages of equal size with the same numbers of birth. Such was not the case as there were hundreds of towns in the Bible lands. However, just assume there were only two equal possibilities for every prophecy and still there are no numbers large enough to represent that He would be able to fulfill only 100 of them.

Now consider the nature of many of the prophecies and think of how unlikely it would be that any of them would actually happen. God foretold the place of His birth, His virgin birth, the massacre of infants, His flight to Egypt, His living in Nazareth, His riding as a king on a donkey, His betrayal by a friend, the precise number of pieces of silver of His betrayal price, the money to be used to buy a potter's field, His silence during His trial, His death with the thieves, His hands and feet being pierced, His resurrection, etc., etc. There is foundation to your faith!

Minimum, Medium and Maximum Christians

It appears that you could divide Christians into three broad classifications.

First, there are the Minimum Christians. According to the dictionary, the minimum is "the least quantity assignable, admissible or possible." This would include those who attend as few services as they think they think is necessary and do the absolute least work they think they are required to do.

Second, there are the Medium Christians. They are comfortable in being "in a middle position." They are not the strongest Christians nor are they the weakest. They are satisfied with being average, not the best but not the worst. Maybe they could be among the "lukewarm" (Rev. 3:16).

Then there are the Maximum Christians. They would be those who are of the "highest, greatest, or utmost development." They are present for every service, are constantly striving to build up the church and lead others to Christ and are "ready unto every good work" (Titus 3:1).

Which of these three types do you think pleases the Lord? This has nothing to do with your talents. A one-talent person could use that one talent to the maximum. A five-talent person could use those talents to the minimum. The one who pleases the Lord is one who uses his abilities "to the proportion" of his faith (Rom. 12:6)

Paul gave this exhortation on giving to the Corinthians, "But as ye abound in everything, in faith, and utterance, and knowledge, and in all earnestness, and in your love to us, see that ye abound in this grace also" (2 Cor. 8:7). The word "abound" means to "super abound or excel." Let's strive to be Maximum Christians by always abounding in the work of the Lord (1 Cor. 15:58).

George Pledger Weber Road Church of Christ Corpus Christi, TX

Sunday Sermons

AM - Ken Ross Speaking PM - Bobby Richardson Speaking

Congregational News and Notes

Prayer Requested

Members

Harold and Doris Davis,
Ron and Nadine McDonald,
Jean Harber, Rachel Epperson,
Ted Lingren, Billy Landers,
Fredie Stewart, Cindy Kidder,
Iva Hopper, Tom Crow,
Bill and Gladys Gowan,
Freeman Kidder, Doug Crouse,
Shirley Puckett, Margie Montgomery,
Margie Whitehead, Sandra Jordan,
Andy Vaughn, Betty Cooper,
Helen Avent, Louise Buck,
Gwen Smith, Jorita Richardson,
Sammy Puckett

Friends & Family:

Horace Yearwood, Tim Boyd, Al Stewart, Ruth Cox, Judy Jennings, Raymond Cagle, Beverly Martindale, Rosie Love, Bethany Tims

Cards to Send This Week

Jerry Crabb 520 North Church Street Jackson, TN 38301

Cindy Kidder 4995 Highway 45 South Finger, TN 38334

Sammy Puckett 78 Independence Lane Jackson, TN 38305

Happenings

South Jackson

7/30

5th Sunday Fellowship Meal

8/6

Forrest Cove Devotional at 2:30 PM

8/13

Youth Devotional

Area Events

Numerous area events are posted on the bulletin board.

Pantry Item

3 Packs of Active Dry Yeast

