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He Humbled Himself ***Kevin Cauley***

A little humility can turn a frown into a smile; a lot of humility can turn an enemy into a friend. The Bible teaches these truths. Paul wrote of Jesus, “And being found in appearance as a man, He humbled Himself and became obedient to the point of death, even the death of the cross” (Philippians 2:8). What happened at the cross? Enemies were made friends. “For if when we were enemies we were reconciled to God through the death of His Son, much more, having been reconciled, we shall be saved by His life” (Romans 5:10). Jesus is our example; so, how can we do what He did in our lives? humbled

Humility does not react. A lot of times the first thing we want to do with negative people is react to them with our own negativity. This doesn't help the situation. It just creates a downward spiral of resentment on both parties, and unproductive arguments ensue. Instead of reacting, be proactive by putting your own concerns on the back burner for a few minutes and listening actively to the other party. Listening is the humble thing to do (James 1:19).

Humility does not self-justify. When we are accused of wrongdoing, we want to defend ourselves and prove our righteousness. This leads to dissension. We must remember that it is God who justifies (makes us righteous), not us (Romans 8:33). What does this mean? It means that we don't have to explain ourselves to unjust accusers. Instead of self-justifying, try asking pertinent questions such as: “Why do you feel like this?”, and “How can I help you resolve this situation?” These questions don't implicate but help to mollify. Remember, “blessed are the peacemakers” (Matthew 5:9). Humility seeks peace.

God is in Control Today and Always

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One of the great messages of the Old Testament is that God is in control, and He wants us to trust in Him. Control is an illusion that we tell ourselves that we have. Truthfully, I am in control of only one thing, myself. Even that is limited. Much of my body runs autonomically. I cannot turn off physical pain. My emotions are very hard to control. We are limited in the amount of control we have. Moreover, we often make the wrong decisions regarding the things that we can control, which results in less control. How much better is it to trust God! Proverbs 3:5-6 says, "Trust in the Lord with all your heart, and do not lean to your own understanding. In all of your ways acknowledge Him, and He will direct your paths." God is in control

Trusting God with control of my life removes anxiety, and I can be at peace trusting that God will do what is right. Philippians 4:6-7 says, "In nothing be anxious; but in everything by prayer and supplication with thanksgiving let your requests be made known unto God. And the peace of God, which passeth all understanding, shall guard your hearts and your thoughts in Christ Jesus." This verse is about understanding that God is in control. We pray to God because He will actively respond to our requests in the absolute best way. When we trust Him, we will have no worries. This brings great peace, and allows me to understand my identity in Christ Jesus. When I am at peace, and know who I am, my heart and thoughts are perfectly guarded in Christ Jesus. This keeps me in a state of salvation so that I will be ready for Christ's return.

Congregational News & Notes

Prayer Requested

Members

Mary Bolen, Luther Merritt
Ron and Nadine McDonald,
Fredie Stewart, Cindy Kidder,
Roberta Donaldson, Lisa Dukes,
Doug Crouse, Carolyn Callis
Margie Montgomery, Sue Harris,
Betty Mosely, Teriyaki Anderson
James Morris, Freeman Kidder,
Andy Vaughn, Pearl Johnson,
Ken & Paula Wadley, Judy Ellis
Phillip Mullins, Jerry Crabb,
Karen Chance, Mary Lewis
Gaylon & Betty Cooper
Carleton Kidder, Shirley Puckett

Friends & Family

Horace Yearwood, Shirley Bolin,
Beverly Martindale,
Allen Thompson, Glenn Lovell,
Gladys Gowan, Diane Hubbard,
Brandi Rogers, Marilyn Ferrell,
Jeanette Manley, Corey Allen
Kenton Lancaster,
Justin Puckett, Ruby Malone,
Margaret Davis, Lee Simpson

Today's Sermons

AM - 2 Things Jesus
Accomplished on the Cross
John 19:16-18

PM - Nebuchanezzar's Dream
Daniel 2:36-45

Happenings

South Jackson

Today

Duncan Baby Shower following
evening services. Bring finger
foods.

Think Pink!!!

April 21

Men's Bussiness Meeting
following AM Service

Cards to Send

Mary Lewis
15 Oakwood Drive
Jackson, TN 38301

Lee Simpson
811 Hearn Street
Henderson, TN 38340

Weekly Record

6 AM	5
Bible Class	43/4
AM Worship	81/13
PM Worship	43/28
Wed Bible Study	49/7
Contribution	4371
Budget	4014

Those Privileged to Serve

Apr 14 - AM WORSHIP

6 AM - J. Butcher, P. Hatcher

Lead Singing: Mike Wages

Read Scripture:

Charlie Richardson

Opening Prayer:

Joe Venable

Sermon: Ray Pack

Closing Prayer: Carleton Kidder

Communion: Greg Long

Tommy Williams

Apr 21 - AM WORSHIP

6 AM - J. Smith, M. Wages

Lead Singing: John Smith

Read Scripture:

Costel Gimphu

Opening Prayer:

Mike Wages

Sermon: Ray Pack

Closing Prayer: Marion Thomas

Communion: Paul Hatcher

Jerry Butcher

PM WORSHIP

Lead Singing: Paul Hatcher

Opening Prayer:

Joe Venable

Sermon: Ray Pack

Closing Prayer: Ken Ross

Communion: Greg Long

PM WORSHIP

Lead Singing: Paul Hatcher

Opening Prayer:

Greg Long

Sermon: Ray Pack

Closing Prayer: Jerry Butcher

Communion: Mike Wages

Apr 17 - WED BIBLE STUDY

Lead Singing: Paul Hatcher

Opening Prayer:

Mike Wages

Devo - Marion Thomas

Apr 24 - WED BIBLE STUDY

Lead Singing: Paul Hatcher

Opening Prayer:

Joe Venable

Devo - Ray Pack

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Service Times

Early Worship	6:00 AM
Gospel of Christ - Fox 16	9:30 AM
Sunday Bible Class	9:30 AM
Sunday AM Worship	10:30 AM
Sunday PM Worship	5:00 PM
Midweek Bible Study	6:30 PM