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The Key to David's Spirituality and Ours ***Dan Jenkins***

I marvel at how often the book of Psalms talks about meditating on the word of God. Most of those psalms were written by David, the man God describes as having a heart like God Himself. Perhaps the key to our own spiritual growth is found in doing what David did to have a godly heart. The goal in our life should be to insure that the words of our lips come from a heart which has the words of God engraved on it.

Take time to consider the following places where the psalmist speaks of meditating on the Bible: “In His law he mediates day and night . . . Let the words of my mouth and the mediation of my heart be acceptable in Your sight. . . . I meditate on You in the night watches. . . . I will also mediate on all Your work, and talk of Your deeds. . . . I will meditate on Your precepts, and contemplate Your ways. . . . Your servant meditates on Your statutes. . . . So shall I meditate on Your wonderful works. . . . And I will meditate on your statutes. . . . But I will meditate on Your precepts. . . . Oh, how I love Your law! It is my meditation all the day. . . . For your testimonies are my meditation. . . . I meditate on all Your works. . . . I meditate on the glorious splendor of Your majesty” (1:2; 19:14; 63:6; 77:12; 119:15, 23, 27, 48, 78, 97, 99, 148; 143:5; 145:5).

How can we imagine that David would not have taken time to follow the instructions of Moses? “Also it shall be, when he sits on the throne of his kingdom, that he shall write for himself a copy of this law in a book, from the one before the priests, the Levites. And it shall be with him, and he shall read it all the days of his life, that he may learn to fear the LORD his God and be careful to observe all the words of this law and these statutes, that his heart may not be lifted above his brethren, that he may not turn aside from the commandment to the right hand or to the left, and that he may prolong his days in his kingdom, he and his children in the midst of Israel” (Deut. 17:18-20). In your imagination, watch the thirty year old King David ascend to the throne. See him every day reading his own handwritten copy of the scriptures. See him, as he reads, taking time to stop and meditate on the words he has just read. Herein lies the key to great spiritual growth. Would to God that elders, preachers, parents and every Christian would reflect every day on the verses which address their God given responsibility!

When David became king, how much of the Bible had been written? Obviously, the books of Moses and the books of Job, Joshua and Judges, but what others? David’s Bible had less than ten books of the Bible. Can you imagine his joy if he had had your Bible of 66 books! Where is your joy in meditation?

Congregational News & Notes

Prayer Requested

Members

Mary Bolen, Luther & Jo Merritt
Ron and Nadine McDonald,
Fredie Stewart, Mary Lewis,
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, Shirley Puckett
Gaylon & Betty Cooper
Carleton & Cindy Kidder

Friends & Family

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

Today's Sermons

AM - Lesson From A Giant
Slayer
2 Samuel 21:15-17

PM - The Growth of the
Kingdom
Luke 13:18-21

Happenings

South Jackson

June 16

Men's Business meeting
following AM services

June 30

5th Sunday fellowship meal
after AM services.
PM Service will start at 1:00 PM

Cards to Send

Jerry Crabb
530 North Church Street
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Weekly Record

6 AM	0
Bible Class	46/8
AM Worship	70/0
PM Worship	44/1
Wed Bible Study	42/4
Contribution	2867
Budget	4014

Those Privileged to Serve

June 9- AM WORSHIP

6 AM - R. Pack, R. Clouse

Lead Singing: Mike Wages

Read Scripture:

Costel Ghimpu

Opening Prayer:

Marion Thomas

Sermon: Ray Pack

Closing Prayer: Greg Long

Communion: Carleton Kidder

Jeff Bliss

June 16- AM WORSHIP

6 AM - P. Hatcher, J. Butcher

Lead Singing: John Smith

Read Scripture:

Jerry Butcher

Opening Prayer:

Joe Venable

Sermon: Ray Pack

Closing Prayer: Paul Hatcher

Communion: Van McConnell

Charlie Richardson

PM WORSHIP

Lead Singing: John Smith

Opening Prayer:

Paul Hatcher

Sermon: Ray Pack

Closing Prayer: Jerry Butcher

Communion: Mike Wages

PM WORSHIP

Lead Singing: Paul Hatcher

Opening Prayer:

Mike Wages

Sermon: Ray Pack

Closing Prayer: Ronald Clouse

Communion: Greg Long

June 12 - WED BIBLE STUDY

Lead Singing: John Smith

Opening Prayer:

Marion Thomas

Devo - Ray Pack

June 19 - WED BIBLE STUDY

Lead Singing: Paul Hatcher

Opening Prayer:

Ronald Clouse

Devo - Mike Wages

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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