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A Personal Message ***Dan Jenkins***

As one reads the Bible or listens to sermons, he learns great truths. He learns the truth about the origin of the created world, and this knowledge becomes the basis of faith. He reads about the lives and struggles of godly men and is filled with awe when he sees their faith and how it sustained them. Yet, sometimes he just wishes that God would give him a personal message.

He studies the scheme of redemption and what sin does and how it brings bondage. He reads and sees how the blood of Jesus surpasses the blood of bulls and goats. He comprehends that His precious blood is the basis of salvation and the great price Jesus paid when He died such a horrendous death. He marvels at all of this and there is no doubt it impacts his life and the decisions he makes, yet he may still wish that God would give him a personal message.

He reads the Bible and sees those messages God personally gave to Noah about the building of the ark and the coming flood. He reads about God's messages to Abraham about Ur and later about offering Isaac. He may not want to receive the message about his own son that Abraham received about his son, yet he thinks how wonderful it would be to receive a personal message from God.

Perhaps this story will help you, if you have ever had thoughts about God giving you a personal message. A Christian who I know so well tells the story of how he now looks at such messages. His first two children were born just fourteen months apart, and one night as he was telling them bedtime stories, he said to them, “I want to tell you something so important. Are you aware that when God wrote the Bible, He put in it one special verse for you? So, when you read this part of the Bible and this one verse remember that God put this in the Bible especially for you.”

Their eyes were wide with excitement to know what personal message God gave just for them. That verse? “Obey your parents...for this is right” (Eph. 6:2). The truth is that this verse is in the Bible as a personal message to children!

The man then thought, “Are there any verses in the Bible God put there especially for me?” What about loving your wife like Christ loves the church? What about training your children in the teachings of God? It then dawned upon him that every verse, chapter, book, event, parable, discourse and every word is God personally speaking to him!

When you arrive at this point in your life, it will change how you study. This holy book is God’s message, written personally to you and it gives you all you need to know. You do have a personal message from God—read it!

Today’s Sermons

AM - Marion Thomas Speaking

PM - John Sawyer Speaking

Congregational News & Notes

Happenings

July 28

Men's Business Meeting
Following AM Services
(Rescheduled due to several
being out of town)

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,
Ruby Malone, Justin Puckett,
Kenton Lancaster

August 29th

Apologetics Press Dinner at the
Henderson Church of Christ.
Meal Starts at 6 PM.
Signup sheet is on the
bulletin board.

Other Events are posted on the
bulletin board

Cards to Send

Mary Bolen
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Weekly Record

6 AM	0
Bible Class	52/5
AM Worship	93/23
PM Worship	51/10
Wed Bible Study	43/8
Contribution	4231
Budget	4014

Those Privileged to Serve

July 21- AM WORSHIP

6 AM - J. Smith, R. Clouse

Lead Singing: Carleton Kidder

Read Scripture:

Jonathan Orr

Opening Prayer:

Ronald Clouse

Sermon: Marion Thomas

Closing Prayer: Jonathan Orr

Communion: Joe Venable

Jerry Butcher

July 28- AM WORSHIP

6 AM - R. Pack, J. Butcher

Lead Singing: Mike Wages

Read Scripture:

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Opening Prayer:

Greg Long

Sermon: Ray Pack

Closing Prayer: Carleton Kidder

Communion: Greg Long

Jeff Bliss

PM WORSHIP

Lead Singing: John Smith

Opening Prayer:

Joe Venable

Sermon: John Sawyer

Closing Prayer: Ronald Clouse

Communion: Joe Venable

PM WORSHIP

Lead Singing: Ray Pack

Opening Prayer:

Mike Wages

Sermon: Singing Night

Closing Prayer: Paul Hatcher

Communion: Greg Long

July 24 - WED BIBLE STUDY

Lead Singing: Paul Hatcher

Opening Prayer:

Ronald Clouse

Devo - Marion Thomas

July 31 - WED BIBLE STUDY

Lead Singing: Ray Pack

Opening Prayer:

Paul Hatcher

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