(15)And he said to them, "Go into all the world and proclaim the gospel to the whole creation. (16)Whoever believes and is baptized will be saved. Mark 15:15, 16

Christ's Closet

Free Clothing for anyone in need. Open Wednesdays 9:00 – Noon.

Mountain States Children's Home

Remember to stock up on nonperishable supplies to bring for the children's home collection which takes place near the end of March each year. Keep this work in your prayers.

Food Pantry

The pantry is located in the room left of the library. There are sacks in the pantry room if you or someone you know is in need of any of these items. Feel free to take what you need. If you have a donation for the pantry please put it on the table in the pantry room.

Peru Ministry

Support Oscar, Anna Maria, Queca and Tony Woods in their outreach in Peru.

Kennewick Church of Christ

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Wednesday:

Wednesday Night Bible Study 7:00 pm

Meeting times:

Sunday: Sunday Bible Study 9:30 am

Sunday Bible Study 9:30 am Sunday Morning Worship 10:30 am Sunday Night Worship 6:00 pm

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Open Congregational meeting – 2nd and 4th Sunday at 5:00 pm. All are welcome.

September 10, 2017 Welcome to the Kennewick Church of Christ

You are God, You Alone

Let us examine how God has been teaching this great lesson to the world throughout recorded history. There have always been those who sought to set themselves up in the place of God. One of the greatest enemies of Truth has been the wisdom of men, for wisdom of man does not see God (1 Cor. 1:18-25).

Nevertheless, have you not noticed, in reading history, how God has abased the pride of wisdom? The mighty thoughts of Socrates are now all but utterly forgotten. Even a child in grade school today would laugh at the "wisdom" of Socrates. And to the "wisdom" of Socrates, we could add Aristotle and Plato.

One century passes and another century comes and a new set of philosophers rise up to refute their predecessors. At one time Sigmund Freud, a man who described himself as "a completely godless Jew," was considered to possess one of the greatest minds on earth, but is now repudiated by so many great centers of learning. The Bible is like a stone that breaks into pieces human philosophy -- it is like a battering ram against the thin walls of humanism (cf. Dan. 2:44-45).

The Jews in the Promised Land forgot this lesson and bowed before other gods, and therefore Jehovah brought against them kings and nations. During the period of the judges "they forgot the Lord their God, and served the Baals and Asherahs" (Judges 3:7). Israel forgot Jehovah and was carried away into Babylonian captivity.

What Israel did, we often do as well, i.e., forget that He is God, and beside Him there is none else. Sometimes we plan for the future without taking God into account (James 4:13-15). God teaches His people every day, by affliction, by trials, by the loss of the joys of His countenance, that He is God.

We must continue to look "unto Jesus, the author and finisher of our faith, who for the joy that was set before Him endured the cross, despising the shame, and has sat down at the right hand of the throne of God" (Heb. 12:2).

From the manger in Bethlehem to the cross of Calvary we hear our Savior pleading with men to accept His kind and tender invitation (Matt. 11:28-30). Come to Calvary, and to Calvary's Lamb and learn from Him!

-David Padfield

¹Hear my cry, O God, listen to my prayer; ²from the ends of the earth I call to you when my heart is faint. Lead me to the rock that is higher than I,

³For you have been my refuge, a strong tower against the enemy. ⁴Let me dwell in your tent forever! Let me take refuge under the shelter of your wings!

(Psalm 61:1-4)

For the Lord your God is the one who goes with you to fight for you against your enemies to give you victory.

Attendance 9/03: 90 | Budget \$2000.00 | Contribution 9/03: \$3403.49

Keep these Dates in Minds:

09/03 First Sunday Potluck

9 Men's Breakfast and Fellowship

09/10 Open Congregational Meeting 5:00p

09/24 Open Congregational Meeting 5:00p

10/08 First Sunday Potluck

10/14 Men's Breakfast and Fellowship

10/15 Open Congregational Meeting 5:00p

10/29 Open Congregational Meeting 5:00p

Bible Studies:

Adult Class (S) –Epistles of John

(W) - Romans - Fellowship Hall

Youth Classes – Classroom Wing

Ladies Class – Begins 9/7 10:00a - 11:30a

Birthdays and Anniversaries for September

Julia Jesperson - 8/27

Eddie Petross - 8/28

Bonnie Simons - 8/28

Barbara Oldham - 8/31

Craig & Debbie Bolt -- 9/1

Dylan Kuhns -- 9/10

Anna Hopkins -- 9/14

Kristy Hickman -- 9/16

Natasha Lathim -- 9/17

Jack Danley -- 9/18

Norm & Barbara Goldsmith -- 9/21

Marie Frolin -- 9/22

Eric Slagle -- 9/22

Laveda Brumfield -- 9/22

Jerret Hyndshaw -- 9/26

Dylan Lathim -- 9/30



Health Issues: Pam Fox's grandson, Canaco & Eli , Abigail Jones, Karen McBurney, Dustin Stecker, Doris Pennington, Betty VanVoorst, Bob Childers, Eddie Petros, Darlena Moon, Jack Pinckert Jr., Amanda McCrickard, Sandy Gray, Bill Henniger, Savannah and Christian Johnson, Marilyn Foster (Gayle Caldwell's mother), Christy Hickman, Joshua Hickman, Gary Bills, Norm Goldsmith, Tom Gritzen (In the Military) Levi Toombs

Gary Bills knee surgery went well and he is home recuperating

Faye Henry as she recovers from eye surgery

All those affected by Hurricane Harvey and Irma. If you would like the contact information on some organizations helping with relief affiliated with the Church of Christ, please see Lynette Jones

All those affected by the fires burning in Oregon, Washington, Montana and British Columbia **Eagle Assisted Living service** – A group from Kennewick Church of Christ go to Eagle Assisted Living in Richland and hold an abbreviated service for the people who reside there. Service is held 3:00p – 3:30p. If you want to come sing and worship with them see Bill Henniger or Gary Bills for more details.



You don't need to answer. I've already had this argument in my head and you lost. How you make others feel about themselves says a lot about you.

But now, O Lord, You are father; we are the clay, and you are our potter. We are all the work of your hand. (Isa. 64:8)

When People Mistreat Us

I could quote the verse long before I really felt the impact God intended for it to have in my life. It was several years ago, when we lived in Birmingham, that one of my children's Bible classes was memorizing short phrases from the Bible. The teacher asked for my help and I readily responded. Decades have passed, but I distinctly remember those six words of Paul and the impact they had on me. What were those words? "Be ye kind one to another" (Ephesians 4:32).

The Bible demands kindness. We are told to be kindly affectionate to each other (Romans 12:21); to be kind and forgiving (Ephesians 4:32); to put on kindness (Colossians 3:12) and to give all diligence in adding kindness to our faith (2 Peter 1:5-7). The Bible illustrates kindness. The lives of those saints of old show what kindness is, and we are amazed as we read about them. Joseph was kind to his brothers who sold him as a slave (Genesis 50:21); Moses was kind to the seven daughters of Reuel who were mistreated by the evil shepherds; David was kind to the crippled grandson of evil King Saul (2 Samuel 9); and the good Samaritan was kind to that stranger, beaten and bleeding, whom he saw beside the road. As we read these stories, we are amazed at how differently these saints reacted from the way we would have reacted!

It is so easy to be kind to some people. When people show kindness to us we readily respond kindly to them. Jesus described it in these words, "For if you love those who love you, what reward have you? Do not even the tax collectors do the same?" (Matthew 5:46). The measure of our kindness is not determined by how we treat those who are kind to us.

It is so hard to be kind to some people. Those words of Jesus follow His words about how we should deal with our enemies, with those who curse us, with those who hate us and those who despise us, with those who out of spite take advantage of us and persecute us. We are to love them, bless them, do good to them and pray for them. Here is the measure of true kindness. It is manifested in how we treat people who are rude to us in the market place, to co-workers who mistreat us, to family members who aggravate us and to all those whose agenda seems to be to hurt us with words and deeds. Here is the measure of true kindness.

Kindness is not what we do, it is what we are. The reality is that if we wait until the moment of conflict with unkind people to decide what to do, we will likely respond unkindly. Kindness is a trait of heart, not an artificial action. Kind people do not have to decide to act kindly. This is their automatic response! It is who they are. God help us to be kind one to another.

-Dan Jenkins

1. Thou shalt love people, not just use them.

The greatest thing in the world is a person. The greatest thing about a person is his motive, and the greatest motive is love.

2. Thou shalt develop thy understanding.

"If every man's care were written on his brow, how many would our pity share, who bear our envy now?

3. Thou shalt compliment more than criticize.

You had better cover you neighbor's fault with a cloak of charity. He may need a circus tent to cover yours.

4. Thou shalt not get angry.

If you are right, you don't need to. If you are wrong, you can't afford to.

5. Thou shalt not argue.

It is no use to win the argument and lose people. Beware of the attitude which says: "In matters controversial, my attitude is fine. I always see two points

of view, the one that is wrong and mine.

6. Thou shalt be kind.

You had better be kind to the people you meet on the way up! They are, the same ones you meet on the way down. It is nice to be important, but it is more important to be nice!

7. Thou shalt have a sense of humor.

A sense of humor is to a man what springs are to a wagon .. it saves him a lot of jolts.

8. Thou shalt smile.

No man is ever fully dressed until he has a smile.

9. Thou shalt practice what thou preachest.

One example is worth a thousand arguments.

10. Thou shalt establish a long-range habit of people-manship.

Good human relations can be the key to your success. -Tim Woodward