



The Enslaving Power Of Sin

Richard Hoefler tells the following story in his book, "Will Daylight Come?" It illustrates how sin enslaves and forgiveness frees. Wayne Chamberlain at the time, put this in the Bulletin. Here is the story:

A boy visiting his grandparents was given a slingshot. Since he had never had a slingshot before he went into the woods to practice. He shot at branches, boulders, and birds, but he never came close. Discouraged by his lack of accuracy, the young boy returned to his grandparents. As he entered the back yard, he spied grandma's pet duck. He took aim and let it fly. The stone struck and the duck fell dead.

The boy panicked. Quickly he hid the dead duck in the woods beyond his grandfather's wood pile. As he returned to the back yard, thinking he had hidden his crime, he looked up at the porch. There was his sister, Sally. The grin on her face told she had seen the whole thing. As the boy came on the porch, his sister said nothing. She only gave him that all-knowing grin.

After lunch, Grandma asked Sally to help with the dishes, but Sally said, "Johnny told me he wanted to do them." She gave Johnny that grin again. So, Johnny did the dishes. Later, Grandpa asked the grand-kids if they wanted to go fishing. Grandma replied that it was Sally's turn to help with supper and she could not go. Sally, with that grin, looked at Johnny and said, "Johnny told me he wanted to help with supper." Johnny stayed and Sally went fishing.

After several days of doing both his and Sally's chores, Johnny could no longer take it. He went to his grandmother and confessed to killing her duck. "I know," his grandmother said. Giving Johnny a hug, she continued, "I saw the whole thing through the window. I was wondering how long you would let Sally make a slave of you."

How many of us allow Satan to make a slave of us—because we are too proud to confess our sins to one another (if necessary) and to God?

Richard Hoefler

Tidbits,

—There is a new sign-up sheet for communion prep and one for volunteers to clean the building posted On board # 1. This includes the months of Jan -July, 2019.

—Please remember the lady's gifts that we need to fill a sunshine basket. Your present will be most appreciated. See a list on bulletin board # 2 for ideas.

When did Nicodemus come to Jesus? Why Then? Read John 3:2 (Hint: Trick question)

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* It is the greatest work in the world-saving a soul (Matt. 16:26). Nothing else you can do lasts forever. Your efforts in teaching others can have an eternal impact on their lives and yours.

Who Can You Teach?

Prospects abound. They are all around you every day. You need to heed the instruction Jesus gave to His disciples in John 4:35 and "lift up your eyes." Here is a short list of some who need the gospel:

Your family, relatives, neighbors, fellow-workers, fellow-students, members of clubs or other organizations of which you belong, and anyone who is not a Christian!

Conclusion

Every one of God's children should be [willing to share the precious gospel](#) with others. If the lost are going to hear the truth, they must hear from those who know it. Let each of us resolve to do our part and reach out to those who need us. Let us all be sowers of the word.

God's Promise about Daily Temptation

The apostle says, "No temptation has overtaken you except such as is common to man; but God is faithful, who will not allow you to be tempted beyond what you are able, but with the temptation will also make the way of escape, that you may be able to endure it" (1 Cor.10:13). And so we know...

- (1) We all face the same tests
- (2) God won't let them be more than we can handle
- (3) Our job is to find His escape route
- (4) With His help we can endure whatever comes our way.

By Robert Hines



Who Should Teach?

by Gene Taylor

As a faithful member of the church, you need to be impressed with the great opportunity and responsibility you have to teach another person the word of truth that you have learned. God wants all people to be saved and come to a knowledge of truth (1 Tim. 2:4). How will that happen? Since it is by the preaching and teaching of the gospel, God's power unto salvation (Rom. 1:16), that people are saved (1 Cor. 1:21), Christ wants all of His disciples to be teaching it to others (Matt. 28:18-20; Mark 16:15,16; 2 Tim. 2:2).

Why You Should Teach Others

* You are a Christian. You have been created in Christ Jesus for good works (Titus 2:14). As a matter of fact, you are to be "zealous" for them. If you are not accomplishing any of them, of what value are you to the Lord? Every Christian is expected to bear fruit (John 15:1-6).

* One of the greatest joys a Christian can have is that of [teaching and converting another person](#) (3 John 4).

* You will be following the example of Jesus. He loved people (John 15:13). One of the ways He showed that great love was by personally teaching men and women the truth (Luke 19:10).

* Christ commanded it in the great commission given in Matt. 28:18-20. Those who have been taught and baptized are, in turn, to teach others.

* You will be following the example of the first century Christians who "went everywhere preaching the word" (Acts 8:4). Not even persecution stopped them from preaching the gospel of Christ.

* You will be considered a faithful Christian because faithful children of God are to teach others (2 Tim. 2:2).

* Self-preservation. Teaching others is vital to your growth and development as a child of God (Heb. 5:12-14). By constantly teaching others, you maintain an interest in spiritual things.

* You can increase the teaching power of your local congregation. Though members might differ as to knowledge and/or ability, all should be actively teaching (1 Cor. 12:12-27). At the present time, though, you may feel your knowledge is too limited and that you cannot possibly teach someone else. If you knew enough to become a Christian, you know enough to tell others what you did and why you did it.

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Services

Sunday Bible Study

9:30am

Worship: 10:30 am
& 6:00pm

Minister

Michael Gors

Elders

Michael Gors
Gary Reynolds
Todd Stults

Deacons

Don Allison
Fellowship

Jim Clark
Visitation

Lowell Huffman
Media

Volker Jaromin
Communication &
Advertisement

Mission Works

India
Mark Reynolds

MSOP
Drew Reese
Cannon Taylor

In Need of Prayer,

- Alex Odle, Cancer
- Angie Reed, MS,
- Bevin Green, Recovering from breast surgery
- Bob Allison, Hospitalized in Anderson. Don's father
- Carl Gilstrap, Heart issues have stabilized.
- Charles Stine, Jennifer's Uncle. Terminal bladder cancer
- Emily Graham, 3 months old, Great-granddaughter of Reeds'
- Hailey Shaw, Carrying twins. Possible complication expected at birth. Jessica's cousin
- Janet Nelson, Heart catheter scheduled for Nov. 29 with heart surgery pending.
- Jennifer, Cancer. Treatments resumed
- Jessica Gors, Breast cancer. Recent diagnostic test has shown improvement
- Joe Walker, Heart problems
- Kathy Harper
- Larry Reynolds, Heart Catheter last Tuesday. Favorable results
- Leslie Crandall, Multiple myeloma. Karen's friend
- Matt Burch, Recovering at home from lung and heart issues. Showing improvement, further evaluation to come with scheduled tests
- Rachel Chambers
- Raelena Schumaker, Recent fall at home resulting in a fractured knee. Now residing at Albany Health Care
- Sally Anderson
- Susie Long, Debilitating arthritis in back

Don't forget our shut-ins with cards and visits: Lana Blanchard and Raelena Schumaker at Albany Health Care, Joyce Popplewell at Heritage in Yorktown.

Leaders in Worship

November 25, 2017

Morning Worship

Announcements: Don Allison
 Song Leader: Cliff Nicks
 Opening Prayer: Jerry Hoyt
 Scripture: Bill Smith

Luke 17:11-19

Sermon: Mike Gors
 Closing Prayer: Danny Odle
 Sound Room: Gary Reynolds

Communion

West Side-- Outside:: Joe Reed
 Inside: Jim Clark
 East Side-- Outside:: Jacob Clark
 Inside: Adam Gors

Evening Worship

Announcements: Don Allison
 Song Leader: Cliff Nicks
 Opening Prayer: Richard Messer
 Scripture Reading: Steve Gors
Acts 26:14-18

Sermon: Mike Gors
 Communion Table: Jim Clark
 Closing Prayer; Rick Cox
 Sound Room: Gary Reynolds

Group Three Duties for December

Greeters: Annex
 Front
 Carport

Trash to Curb:
 Communion Clean-up: Sue

Attendance for Week of November 18

Bible Study: 62
 Morning Worship: 81
 Evening Worship:
 Wed. Bible Study: 38

Bible Study, Nov. 28th

Adult Class: Mike
 Song Leader: Cliff Nicks
 Prayer: Richard Messer
 We will study "Assured Child of God", 2 Peter, Chapter 1

Weekly Contribution Goal:

\$2440

Contribution for Nov. 18th

\$1718

Pulpit Review for Today

AM Sermon

For What Are You Thankful?

1. Thankful for life (Acts 17:28-30)
11. Thankful for Blessings in Christ (Ephesians 1:3-7)
111. Thankful for trials and Difficulties (James 1:2-4)

Happy Birthday to

Jade Myer--Nov. 28
 Julie Allison--Nov 29
 Carl Gilstrap--Nov. 30



Looking Ahead...

- Nov. 27, Ladies Breakfast, 10:30a
- Dec. 1, Blood Drive at West Side, 9a-1p. See Kathy
- Dec. 2, Elders and Deacons Meeting, 3:30p,
- Dec. 9, 3p-5p, SHO KIDS party in lower level. Everyone is invited and encouraged to participate
- Dec. 22, Baby shower for Hannah Hoyt Graves, 2p, lower level
- Dec. 30, 6p, (fifth Sunday) Elders' 2019 Presentation, followed by a devo
- Jan. 25 & 26, Ohio Winter Lecture (ladies sessions) at Church of Christ Fishinger Rd, Columbus OH. See flyer

Thanks to the hard work of Steve Gors, Sylvia Carroll and Kendall Clark, Thanksgiving baskets for 11 needful families were delivered last Saturday. Now comes Christmas baskets so Steve says we are not going to rest a minute until we begin amassing cans and packages and useful kitchen items for them. We will assemble and deliver on December 22, so submit any names to Steve as soon as you can. A big thank you from all of us. Good job, well done, faithful workers for the Lord..

Food items for the pantry for this week are:

*canned fruits, canned veggies
 and beans*

