

From Faith to Faith

Granbury Street Church of Christ

Unsung Heroes

Granbury Street's 2013 Summer Series

June 5 **Luke**

Jeff Jenkins (Lewisville, TX)

June 12 **The Little Maid**

Ken Hope (Garland, TX)

June 19 **Great Woman of Shunem**

Joey Davis (Roanoke, TX)



June 26 **Tabitha**

John Dickison (Gordon, TX)

July 3 **Epaphroditus**

Andy Chavarilla (Corsicana, TX)

July 10 **Paul's Sister's Son**

Robert Moss (Fort Worth, TX)

July 17 **Barnabas**

Neal Thurman (Tyler, TX)

July 24 **Aquila and Priscilla**

Ross Haffner (Colleyville, TX)

July 31 5th Wednesday Singing

Aug 7 **Onesiphorus**

Denny Wilson (DeLeon, TX)

Aug 14 **Phinehas**

Jim Nash (Seagoville, TX)

Aug 21 **Jephthah's Daughter**

Doyle Bruce (Jefferson, TX)

Aug 28 **Demetrius**

Willie Alvarenga (Fort Worth, TX)

Shepherds

Sid Carruth
Kenneth Helm
Clark Lehtinen
George Sowell

Deacons

Gary Barger
Jeff Day
Vince Grinnell
Justin Hewlett
Bill Hughes
Tim Norman

Preacher

Kevin Rhodes

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Focus on the Eternal - 1

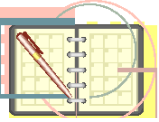
Kevin W. Rhodes

Disciples must focus on the eternal instead of the temporal throughout life. As both Matthew (Mt. 8:18-19) and Luke record, “Now it happened as they journeyed on the road, that someone said to Him, ‘Lord, I will follow You wherever You go.’ And Jesus said to him, ‘Foxes have holes and birds of the air have nests, but the Son of Man has nowhere to lay His head’” (Luke 9:57-58). Far too often people see the Bible, the church, and discipleship in terms of some destination upon the earth. This perspective must change for us to realize true discipleship.

People may be willing to make a commitment in the moment. They may be willing to walk down the aisle on Sunday. They may be willing to leave what they have at the moment upon the earth in search of something greater—upon the earth. They may feel badly enough about their sin to make a brief effort at Christianity to assuage their guilt. But Jesus wants us to make a commitment for eternity. An eternal commitment changes more things than you might think. It requires the complete acceptance of unanticipated correction, unexpected problems, and unenviable situations with the cheer of someone convinced of Christianity’s value because of the hopeful promise made by One who endured far more. The apostle Paul expressed it in this way, “Therefore we do not lose heart. Even though our outward man is perishing, yet the inward man is being renewed day by day. For our light affliction, which is but for a moment, is working for us a far more exceeding and eternal weight of glory, while we do not look at the things which are seen, but at the things which are not seen. For the things which are seen are temporary, but the things

which are not seen are eternal” (2 Cor. 4:16-18). This well portrays the nature of discipleship—and the nature of repentance. It requires ongoing sacrifice, putting eternal needs above temporal needs, and placing our personal focus in life on issues of eternal consequence rather than temporal significance.

Therefore, disciples focus on their spiritual well-being far more than on their physical well-being. “For bodily exercise profits a little, but godliness is profitable for all things, having promise of the life that now is and of that which is to come” (1 Tim. 4:8). The combined aspects of physical health dominate much of discussions today. Restaurants and supermarkets make millions supporting a basic physical need. Health clubs and gyms provide a constant barrage of workouts and equipment to tone and strengthen the physical body. On top of this, people spend enormous amounts of money in the health care industry, including health insurance, doctors, hospitals, and a lot of others in between, just trying to keep this physical body alive. However, Jesus said, “Blessed are those who hunger and thirst for righteousness, For they shall be filled” (Mt. 5:6). Furthermore, He concluded, “But seek first the kingdom of God and His righteousness, and all these things shall be added to you” (Mt. 6:33). Your relationship with God in eternity matters far more than your waistline, your menu, or your health insurance company. The apostle John wrote to Gaius, “Beloved, I pray that you may prosper in all things and be in health, just as your soul prospers” (3 Jn. 2). If God answered a similar prayer for you, what would the outcome be? A disciple focused on the eternal will leave no room for doubt.



News and Notes

Among our sick

- P. D. Ash was released from the hospital on Friday.
- Kay Holly went to the specialist on Tuesday. Her colon surgery is scheduled for August 26th at the North hills Hospital.
- Gail Kilcrease will have cataract surgery on Thursday, August 15th. The second eye surgery will be on August 26th.
- James Mayden was released from the hospital on Friday.
- Lila Reeder fell hurting her back. There are no broken bones.
- Sara Wisialowski was moved to room 104 at Huguley Rehab Center.

Sympathy

Our sympathy is extended to Rob, Deb, Neil Stidolph and family in the passing of Deb's mother, Alta Hunt. Funeral services were in Post, Texas.

Bridal Shower

Sunday, August 18th, the ladies are invited to a bridal shower for Maddie Hochdorf bride elect of Caleb Norman 1:30-3:00 in the annex. Their selections are at Target, Wal-Mart and "myregistry.com".

Please Note

- Bible Search training will be held on Sunday, August 18th at 3:30 PM sharp in the annex. Training will take place for the following events: Public Speaking, Oral Bible Reading and Written Prep. All Participants are encouraged to attend. Please see Ryan Cowan or Russ Jones if you have any questions.
- Sunday, August 25th, there will be a fish fry after the evening worship service. Please bring side dishes and desserts.
- Sunday, September 1st, will start the New Fall Quarter.
- Sunday, September 1st, 7th—college age youth devotional will be held at Tim and Melinda Norman's home after the evening worship service.
- Wednesday, September 4th, Ladies Bible Class will resume with our study beginning with Acts 13:1.

Those who Serve Lords' Supper: 8/18

Front South

Sid Carruth
Clark Lehtinen
Jackie Mayden

Front North

John McGilvray
Jeff McPherson
Dennis Lane

Back South

Casey Lehtinen
Michael Mora
Caleb Norman

Back North

Jay Lehtinen
Paul Murphy
Luke Norman

Leading prayers:

Sunday AM

Kenneth Helm

Sunday PM

Jim Hudgins

Rob Stidolph

Doug Jones

Wednesday PM

Clint Owens

Announcements:

Sunday AM-PM:

Justin Hewlett

Wednesday

Clark Lehtinen

Song leaders:

Sunday AM

Russ Jones

Sunday PM

Russ Jones

Wednesday PM

Jeff Day

Foyer Personnel:

Sunday & Wednesday

Gary Barger

Collection Counting

Paul Murphy / Jeff Day / Kyle Day

Wed. PM Devotional (8/21)

Doyle Bruce



Sermons for Sunday

AM

The Gospel in Miniature
1 Timothy 3:14-16

PM

Opportunity Renewed
Genesis 8:1-22



Remember in Prayer

Laurie McPherson's parents

Our Gospel Meeting with David Baker
(October 11-13)

Bible Search (November 23)

All those mourning the loss of loved ones

Our shut-ins

Lost souls that need the gospel



Our Records

Bible Class 148

AM Worship.....239

PM Worship 187

Wednesday Bible Class 8/7.....179

Contribution\$7,660

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