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You certainly are familiar with the age-old discussion as to whether a glass is half empty or half full. Some say one is a pessimist if stating the glass is half empty and an optimist if seeing the glass as half full. It really does not matter what your perspective is, but one thing is certain, when the building is either half empty or half full during a worship service, it indicates half-hearted attitudes.



No doubt we all have busy schedules with jobs, families, and all the other responsibilities of life, but the Lord must come first. We need to be at the worship services. The Lord said in Matthew 6:33, *“But seek ye first the kingdom of God, and his righteousness. . .”* Hebrews 10:25 says, *“Not forsaking the assembling of ourselves together, as the manner of some is; but exhorting one another: and so much the more, as ye see the day approaching.”*

Granted, there will be times when one may not be able to attend due to an illness, a death in the family, or some other occurrence, but that is certainly the exception and not the rule. How many Christians do you know of who have not missed a service in years— maybe

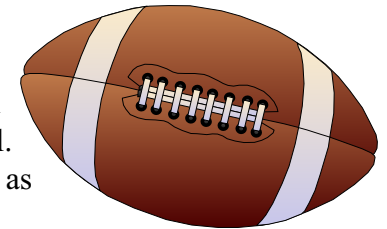
even decades? Are they any different from anyone else? Don't they ever get sick? The difference is in their attitude and determination. They get sick, but they press on when the illness is minor or they simply don't feel good. Other things happen, but the worship services come first.

Do we really enjoy and anticipate the worship service or is it drudgery to attend? Can we say with all sincerity the words of Psalm 122:1, *“I was glad when they said unto me, Let us go into the house of the LORD.”*

—Marty Edwards

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Tonight ends the pro football season with the playing of the Super Bowl. Consider the following football terms as they relate to some people:



Half-Time— The break between Bible classes and the preaching portion.

Blitz— The rush for the door after the closing prayer.

Sudden Death— When the preacher goes five minutes over his normal time.

Back-Field Motion— Those in the back moving and talking during the sermon.

Huddle— The little groups we gather in following services that prevent us from greeting visitors.

Personal Foul— When the preacher says anything to offend me.

Clipping— Tearing down a person when their back is turned.

Time-Out— Leaving unnecessarily during the services.

2-Minute Warning— When the preacher begins his invitation signaling everyone to grab their song books.

Half Back— The number of people to return on Sunday evening.

Quarterback— The number of people to return on Wednesday evening. ❖

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Sunday 9 AM & 4 PM — Wednesday 6 PM

News

—Continue to remember **Jean Coffey, Sally Marshall, Jewell Watkins, Jimmy Terry, Audrey Terry, and Alroy McDaniel.**

—Tonight will be our first-Sunday singing.



Feb. 5 — Shari Edwards, Feb. 6 — Denessa Worth
Feb. 21 — Matthew Edwards, Feb. 28 — Taylor Dennis

Six P's of Bible Study

Bible study is vitally important. Man's usefulness in life as well as his happiness in eternity demands an understanding and an obedience to the Word of God. As we consider our study of the Scriptures, we must do it in the following ways:



1. *Periodically* — Read on a regular schedule. (Acts 17:11)
2. *Purposefully* — Study with a definite plan in mind. (II Timothy 2:15)
3. *Pensively* — Read reflectively and thoughtfully. (Psalm 119:97)
4. *Persistently* — Keep at it. Don't grow discouraged. (I Peter 2:2)
5. *Prayerfully* — If any lacks wisdom, let him ask of God. (James 1:5)
6. *Properly* — God's word must be rightly divided, or handled accurately. (II Timothy 2:15)

—Curry St. Church of Christ
West Plains, MO

Sunday, January 29, 2012		
Classes	15	Luke 18:31-19:10
Preaching	26	I Samuel 15
Contribution	\$361.00	
Evening	16	Haggai 1:1-2:23
Wednesday, February 1, 2012		
Classes	20	Deuteronomy 17:1-20

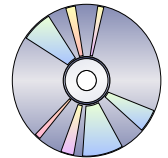
Visitors— Jan 29 (AM) Brent Goad (Glasgow, KY)

Bible Quiz

How many men of Bethshemesh were killed when they looked into the ark of the LORD?

Last Week's Answer— The North (Zephaniah 2:13)

—Just a reminder that we continue to record the audio of each service. If anyone wants a recording of a service I can burn a compact disk or make you an mp3 or other file for your computer or phone.



You can access the archives of our services on our website now. We only have those from January 12, 2012 onward.

—God's Plan of Salvation—

1. Hear the Gospel (Romans 10:14)
2. Believe on the Lord and His Word (Mark 16:16; John 8:24)
3. Repent of your sins (Luke 13:3,5; Acts 17:30)
4. Confess Christ (Matthew 10:32,33; Luke 12:8; Romans 10:9)
5. Be baptized (immersed in water) for the remission of sins (Acts 2:38; Mark 16:16; Galatians 3:27; I Peter 3:21)
6. Live a faithful, dedicated life (Revelation 2:10; II Peter 1:5-10)