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Preach What You Practice

Glancing quickly at the above title, one might think it is a misprint. We all have heard many times that we should practice what we preach. Certainly the truth in this oft-quoted phrase is understood.

Not only do we need to be the type of people who will practice what we preach, we need to preach what we practice. Within the pages of the Bible we have the will of God for us. We have contained within its pages the information we need to live here on Earth in a manner whereby we will be rewarded an eternal home in Heaven.

Not only do we have this wondrous plan of salvation, but the Bible, when followed, makes our lives here so much better. I see many debates raging among various circles in our nation, even our world, regarding social problems. The problems range from abortion to zoological concerns. Granted, we have many serious problems in our society, but the answer to them all is at our disposal— within the pages of the Bible. Not every problem is

specifically addressed, but when the specifics, as well as the principles, of the Bible are followed, people become kind, caring, unselfish, genuinely interested in the welfare of others, and the problems just naturally are resolved. It is sad indeed to think that we have been given the answers to society's problems and yet society seeks answers from sources that only complicate the problems.

I am not under a false illusion that we will be able to convert the world. The Lord Himself said in Matthew 7:13-14, "¹³Enter ye in at the strait gate: for wide is the gate, and broad is the way, that leadeth to destruction, and many there be which go in thereat: ¹⁴Because strait is the gate, and narrow is the way, which leadeth unto life, and few there be that find it." Most people will be lost, but as the song says, we need to do what we can to, "*Brighten the corner where you are.*"

The Gospel truly is good news. We have a treasure the lost and dying world needs. By the life we live and the words we speak, let us make sure we preach what we practice.

—Marty Edwards



In today's society all of us are concerned with the news. We listen to the radio while traveling to and from work. We read the newspaper when we arrive home. We turn on the national and local news. We want to know what is happening in the world.



There is nothing wrong with this, but let's not forget to spend some time with the "good news," the Gospel. Even if the news of today directly affects you, it's not permanent. The good news of the Bible, whether you accept it or not, will have an everlasting effect.

—Marty Edwards ❖

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Sunday 9 AM & 6 PM — Wednesday 6 PM

News

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

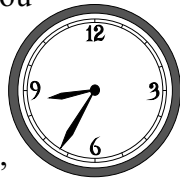
—**Michael Pedigo**, the father of **Kelcie Pedigo**, is in a Louisville hospital in serious condition.

—Congratulations to **Sharee Terry** on the birth of her son this past Monday, **Landyn James Allen Philpott**. Sharee is the granddaughter of **Audrey Terry**.



It Only Takes a Minute To . . .

- stop and say a few words to the newcomer, who you have passed by, with a quick “hello.”
- draw a person, who is obviously feeling like an outsider, into a group discussion.
- make the introduction, that may not be necessary, but that will demonstrate friendliness.
- write a note to a person who is ill, or who has lost a member of the family.
- really listen to what a child is earnestly telling you.
- take the trouble to pass along the good things that you know about others.
- build up a person who is feeling low, or seems to be worried or discouraged.
- pick up the phone and just let someone know you were thinking about them.



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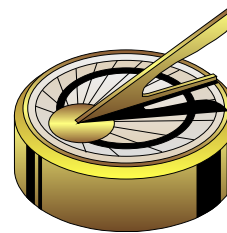


Sunday, March 18, 2012		
Classes	13	Luke 22:4-20
Preaching	17	Jude
Contribution	\$510.00	
Evening	11	Malachi 1:1-2:17
Wednesday, March 21, 2012		
Classes	21	Deuteronomy 24:1-22

Visitors—
 Mar 18 (AM) Ethan Borton (Nashville, TN); Lurline Mires (Rex, KY)
 Mar 18 (PM) Ethan Borton (Nashville, TN)
 Mar 18 (Wed) Ethan Borton (Nashville, TN)

Bible Quiz

Balaam was the son of whom of what land?
 Last Week’s Answer— Living (Zechariah 14:8)



Hide not your talents, they for use were made.
 What’s a sundial in the shade?

—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)