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Haggai 1:4, 5 *“⁴Is it time for you, O ye, to dwell in your cieleed houses, and this house lie waste? ⁵Now therefore thus saith the LORD of hosts; Consider your ways.”*

When the people returned to Jerusalem from captivity, they repaired their own houses while letting the house of the LORD lie waste. The LORD told them to consider their ways. They should have put the LORD first, then taken care of their own things.

How often we do this. We might do it and not even realize it. When things of the world come before the LORD we are doing the same thing the people were doing that Haggai warned against. If we put pleasure and trips and weekend outings first and don't attend, we are doing the same thing. When we spend to the point that we have to hold back our giving to the LORD, we are letting the LORD's house lie in waste.

In the next verse Haggai tells them the things they were doing were in vain. Haggai 1:6, *“Ye have sown much, and bring in little; ye eat, but ye have not enough; ye drink, but ye are not filled with drink; ye*

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clothe you, but there is none warm; and he that earneth wages earneth wages to put it into a bag with holes.”

When we work hard to earn and obtain, but are not putting the LORD first, we are putting our wages into a bag with holes. We are working hard, but to no avail. Put the LORD first and all the other things will come.

Jesus taught this during the sermon on the mount. He said in Matthew 6:33, *“But seek ye first the kingdom of God, and his righteousness; and all these things shall be added unto you.”* Are we truly seeking the kingdom of God first? Or do we just work it in when it's convenient for us. If that is what we are doing, then all we do is for naught.

—Marty Edwards❖

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Proverbs 30:6, *“Remove far from me vanity and lies: give me neither poverty nor riches; feed me with food convenient for me:”*

In the middle part of the above verse the writer asked the LORD not to give him poverty. He then asks for something that we might not have considered asking for. He asks the LORD not to give him riches. He wanted something in the middle.

He didn't want to be poor, but he realized the dangers of riches. He said lest he be full and deny the LORD. Riches themselves are not sinful, but they can certainly keep people from focusing on the LORD. Jesus warned of this in Matthew 19:24, *“And again I say unto you, It is easier for a camel to go through the eye of a needle, than for a rich man to enter into the kingdom of God.”* The same warning is repeated in Mark 10 and Luke 18.

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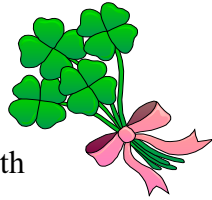
News

—Continue to remember **Sally Marshall, Jewell Watkins, Jean Coffey, Alice Thrasher, Steve Seaton, and Brad Terry.**

—Congratulations to **Taylor Dennis** who was baptized at the church building this past Tuesday evening, February 28.

—Next Sunday, March 12, our evening service time returns to 6:00 p.m. as we return to Daylight Saving Time.

March Birthdays & Anniversaries



March 11 — David & Denessa Worth
 March 15 — Stewart Franklin
 March 17 — Ruby Edwards
 March 27 — Mark Crabtree
 March 28 — John Mark Thrasher
 March 30 — Mitch & Sandy Duncan

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Certainly none of us are in poverty. Give thanks that by the standard of the world we are not “rich.” Riches can easily cause us to miss Heaven. Instead of working to lay up riches here, where they will fade and go to someone else, do what Jesus said in Matthew 6:19-21, *“¹⁹Lay not up for yourselves treasures upon earth, where moth and rust doth corrupt, and where thieves break through and steal: ²⁰But lay up for yourselves treasures in heaven, where neither moth nor rust doth corrupt, and where thieves do not break through nor steal: ²¹For where your treasure is, there will your heart be also.”*

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Sunday, February 26, 2017		
Classes	17	Philippians 4:1-7
Preaching	16	Acts 2
Contribution	\$744.00	
Evening	16	Proverbs 31:1-31
Tuesday, February 28, 2017		
Classes	25	Daniel 5:1-31

Visitors—
 Feb 26 (AM) Karen Kerney (Glasgow, KY); Sandy Huff & Enola Zigler (Louisville, KY)
 Feb 26 (PM) Mark & Kim Quigley (Glasgow, KY)
 Feb 28 (Tue) Jennifer Dennis (Munfordville); Dale & Renee Sprankle; Madeline Dearnell (Horse Cave, KY)

Bible Quiz

The price of a virtuous woman is far above what?

Last Week’s Answer— Seven times (Daniel 4:16)

—For a while we will not be broadcasting on YouTube. We have limited bandwidth with which to broadcast. Our multiple broadcasts are causing TuneIn to drop out some during services. We will still use FaceBook as well as TuneIn.

—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)