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A Thought From Mark...

It is one of those teachings that is hard, and it is a principle that is deep and meaningful. One of the reasons it is hard is that it seems contradictory. Another reason it is hard is that it really asks something of us.

Jesus stated it succinctly in John 12:24 - ***“Truly, truly I say to you, unless a grain of wheat falls into the earth and dies, it remains alone; but if it dies, it bears much fruit.”***

The principle is: in order for something to grow, it must die. That seems totally contradictory to our normal way of thinking - but this is a spiritual principle, not a fleshly one. The context is Jesus getting ready to die, and preparing his disciples for that inevitability. So once again, Jesus never teaches or demands something that he himself is not willing to do. Jesus had to die, in order to bear the fruit God wanted - that is, to inaugurate the kingdom of God, the church of Christ, and to take the good news of God to all the world. First, Jesus had to die.

The spiritual principle, though, applies to more than just that situation. In order to grow, a death must occur. Consider just one example: perhaps you want to grow up into eternal life, that is, you want to go to heaven. For that to happen, something must die. Jesus, of course, had to die a sacrificial death for you sins, but also, there are some things that must die in you to receive eternal life.

Paul in Colossians 3:5 wrote - ***“Put to death therefore what is earthly in you: sexual immorality, impurity, passion, evil desire, and covetousness, which is idolatry.”*** If you read that entire chapter, you will see that the apostle is discussing the importance of living out eternal life in the here and now, thinking heavenly thoughts, being raised with Christ, etc. Those are all wonderful, fruitful things that all believers want to attain and experience. But, you see, as Jesus first taught, before those things are given there are some things to put to death.

The same principle applies to numerous other issues: if I want a great marriage, if I want a healthy financial situation, if I want the church to grow, if I want to be a better teacher. In each and every one, before the fruit comes a death. The seed must die before the fruit arises. Don't expect the fruit without the needed sacrifice.

- Mark Mason

LET US DO GOOD

In Galatians 6:10 the Apostle Paul offers encouragement and instruction to believers with these words: “So then, as we have opportunity, let us do good to everyone, and especially to those who are of the household of faith.” As Christians we want to “do good to everyone.” We can show compassion to those in need, offer a compliment to someone discouraged, render aid in seasons of distress, or teach the gospel to a hungry heart. We ought to always be on the lookout for opportunities to “do good.”

For the last several months I have loved serving in a part-time ministry role here at 36th Street. It has been a blessing to me and my hope is that in some small way I've been a blessing to others. I am stepping out of my ministry position here in order to be an interim preacher in Woodsfield, Ohio. They're looking for a full-time preacher but until they find one I've been asked to come up on Sundays and Wednesdays to preach and teach. I'll still be available to teach in the rotation on Wednesday afternoons and will look for occasions to plug in for other activities. Also, Amanda and the kids will come with me occasionally to Ohio but most of the time they'll still be right here at 36th Street. I'm sad to be leaving my position here with the congregation but I believe God has given me an opportunity to minister that I shouldn't pass up.

My goal is to “do good” and I pray that the Lord has, and will always, use me to bring Him glory. Thank you for the opportunity to serve. God bless.

Paul Merideth

SAVE THE DATES



Work Day at 36th Street - **August 27**
YAH Weiner Roast @ Carothers' - **Sept. 10**
365 Prayer Group Luncheon - **Sept. 18**
Tour of Bible Lands w/Mike Moss - **Dec 27 - Jan 5**



WORK DAY AT 36TH STREET

Saturday, August 27

Starting at 8:00am (come and go)

Interior Cleaning/Organizing

**Exterior Cleaning/Painting/
Repair Work**

**All are welcome!
(SIGN-UP SHEET IN FOYER)**

Observing No Unfriendliness

By [Mike Riley](#)

The Christian life boils down to the uncommon expression of common virtues. For example, we would expect that Christians would be friendly. What a difference practicing that virtue would make in our Society!

A well-known author says that a person who is likeable and provides others with a sense of joy, happiness, relaxation, or rejuvenation, is more likely to be hired or promoted. He maintains that some companies have actually abolished unfriendliness by incorporating a system using the acronym, I.O.N.U. — “I Observe No Unfriendliness.”

This principle should be practiced by the citizens of Christ’s kingdom. When people are asked what they look for in a church, their number-one response is “friendliness.” Unfortunately, the reality is that the friendliness of some members of the church are as distant as a star and as cold as outer space.

The Lord told ancient Israel that He “loves the stranger, giving him food and clothing” and commanded them to emulate His behavior ([Deuteronomy 10:18-19](#)).

Brethren, friendliness is not just a wise business practice, it should be a characteristic of all who follow Christ ([John 15:13-14](#); [1 John 3:16](#); cf. [Proverbs 17:17](#)). When we attend a worship service, let’s act in such a way that a visitor will say, “I observe no unfriendliness in this congregation.”

2nd Annual Youth Meeting

Saturday, August 27 (3pm - 9pm)

Rockport Church of Christ

Rockport, WV



All ages event:

Lots of Singing!

Great Lessons!

Good Food!

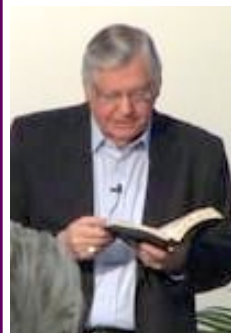
Fun Games!

Several Sports!

Big Campfire!



Questions: Contact Jay D. Smith @ 304-966-6577 or wwupreachteachcoach@yahoo.com



Summer Series

Our summer series will continue this evening with

Ron Laughery,

Minister at Lynn Street speaking on the topic of

“Overcoming Doubt”

Prayer Requests

Hospital

Ed Lemley, CCMH Room 513 bed A, is undergoing tests.

Callie Joyce (infant daughter of Tiffany Wetz; granddaughter of Keith Jones) Children’s Hospital in Columbus –continues to improve, but a release date is not set yet.

Prayer List

Thomas Merideth, had his first treatment for Crohn’s Disease in Columbus on Friday.

Kiersten Kerby (9-yr old daughter of Tim and Krystal Kerby; granddaughter of Mike and Cheri Kerby) was diagnosed with POTS, a cardiac-related condition that is controllable. She has a follow-up at the local Pediatric Cardiology Clinic in a few weeks. (Kiersten also continues on crutches for another 6 weeks due to a knee problem.)

Addison Kerby (7 year old daughter of Tim and Krystal Kerby; granddaughter of Mike and Cheri Kerby) has a broken foot and is on crutches.

Bill Buckley (father-in-law of Roy Knight has been attending here) has been released from the hospital.

Glenda Hendrickson discharged from HealthSouth, but is having physical therapy at home. She also suffered a fall this past week.

Merlyn Beck (sister of Kim Shelene) had cataract surgery last week; complications from surgery will require a long period of recovery.

Sonia Starcher (member here; cousin of Paula Kirl) recovering from recent surgery. Her address is: 2213 Hampton Street Parkersburg, WV 26101.

(Norma) Ruth Brookover, Belpre Landing Skilled Nursing and Rehabilitation Facility, 310 – undergoing short-term rehabilitation following discharge from the hospital.

Gary Curkendall will see a Rheumatologist this month.

Joyce Dotson is home, but continues to have breathing problems.



“In Search of The Lord’s Way”

(WTAP-TV Sundays @ 7:30 AM)

August 28, 2016

“Baptism”

Those who became Christians in the New Testament were baptized or immersed in water in the name of Jesus Christ for the forgiveness of their sins. Baptism is the time when God washes away sins by the blood of Jesus and makes one His child.

Sun.— Aug. 21	Mon.— Aug. 22	Tues.— Aug. 23	Wed.— Aug. 24	Thurs.— Aug. 25	Fri.—Aug. 26	Sat.— Aug. 27
			Bible Class (7 PM - M. Moss)	Bread Basket #1	Friday Night Sing @ <i>Whitehall in Fairmont, WV or Harrisville, WV</i>	WORK DAY AT 36TH ST (8:00am -?)
Sun.— Aug. 28	Mon.— Aug. 29	Tues.— Aug. 30	Wed.— Aug. 31	Thurs.— Sept. 1	Fri.—Sept. 2	Sat.— Sept. 3
			Bible Class (7 PM - M. Moss)	Bread Basket #2	Friday Night Sing @ <i>Kaiser & Douglas in Ravenswood, WV</i>	

- ☺ *Dear church family, thank you for all the birthday cards I received. Karen Case*
- ☺ *Dear Church family - thank you for the calls, cards, and prayers during my recent hospital stay and recovery. In Christian love, Joyce Dotson*
- ☺ **After three years serving in the mission field in Tanzania, Africa, Daniel and Tiffany Gaines have returned to the U.S.** *“We're back safe and sound in the good old USA! Thanks for all of the prayers on our behalf. They were effective as the trip couldn't have gone any more smoothly. We'll soon be headed up to our new/old Kentucky home to begin the process of setting up our new lives. Looking forward to being with the good brethren at Lehman Avenue for a long time to come!!! Keep praying that this transition process is smooth, and that God will be glorified through our service on this side of the world.”*
- ➔ Teaching Materials for the Fall Quarter are ready for pick up in the Teachers Supply Room upstairs. The Fall quarter begins Sunday, September 4th.
- ➔ The Friday Night Sings this week are: Whitehall in Fairmont or Harrisville, WV. The bus will leave Camden Avenue at 6:00 PM to go to the Harrisville sing.
- ➔ OVU's Student EXPO will be held on Tuesday, August 23rd in the Alumni Gym from 7 PM -8:30 PM. Churches and Businesses can come and set up a display table to introduce themselves to the OVU student body.
- ➔ After PM service on Sunday, Sept. 11, there will be a meeting in Room 2 for those interested in doing a Block of the Month sampler quilt. This design will interest all, from the beginner to experienced sewer. You are welcome even if you have never sewn before. Come to the meeting for more complete information. Debi Milhoan

Birthdays

Mon. - Mike Simms
Willow Wright
Melissa Butterfield

Wed. - Casey Morrison
Jeff Shuman
Duane Smith

Thurs. -Bill Butterfield
Sabrina Simms

**No anniversaries
this week.**

Area-Wide Activities/Events	
Sept. 9-11	17th Annual WV Christian Lectureship, Mannington WV with Dave Miller, PHD
Sept. 11-14	Gospel Meeting at Camden Avenue with Clarence DeLoach
Sept. 17	Ladies Inspiration Day @ Rio Grande, OH with Terri Rine-Theme: "Freshly Brewed Faith" (reg. 9:30 AM, program 10-2)
Sept. 27	Ralph Gilmore-Alexander Rosenberg Debate - Mershon Auditorium, OSU Columbus, OH - 6:30 PM (Free Admission)

Mission:	Donations Needed:	Date needed:
Summer Collection for the Homeless Della Poling (304-834-7519)	Baby Wipes, Deodorant, Neosporin, Band Aids, Antibacterial Hand Sanitizer	Ongoing
Various Needs/Agencies	Personal Care Items/Clothing	Ongoing

36TH STREET
YOUNG
AT HEART

ACTIVITIES

Young at Heart Weiner Roast

Saturday, September 10, 2016
(4:00 PM - 7:00 PM)

At Gary & Brenda Carothers'
Home on Butcher Bend Road
Bring games, lawn chairs, salads, and desserts.
(Meat/buns provided)

ELDERS	
Terry Garner	304-295-6029
Tim Kirl	304-489-1814
Jack Long	304-295-6909
Mike Moss	304-699-4230
Jim Shuman	304-295-3138

DEACONS	
Tim Baillargeon	781-249-7469
John Eckhart	304-295-7450
John Garner	304-295-0320
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 36th Street Youth Group

Join Us for Worship:

Sunday Morning Bible Study 9:30 a.m.
 Sunday Morning Worship 10:30 a.m.
 Sunday Evening Worship 6:00 p.m.
 Wednesday Bible Study 7:00 p.m.

During Standard Time (Nov.-Feb.), we also have a Wednesday Bible Study at 1:00 p.m. in the fellowship hall.

TODAY'S SERMONS

A.M.— “What the Gentiles Do” Mark Mason
 (Text: 1 Peter 4:1-6) (Reading: Luke 12:42-48)

P.M. — (Summer Series) “Overcoming Doubt” Ron Laughery

Our Nursing Home Residents		
Betty Bibbee	Eagle Point	127
Lois Miller	Ravenswood Care Ctr.	12
Jerry Page	Eagle Point	334
Peggy Smith	Marietta Care & Rehab	408
Jean VanSickle	Worthington Manor	W 28B
Walter Wigal	The Willows	206
Myra Zinn	Cedar Grove	W 60

“ATTENDANCE & CONTRIBUTION”
 (week of 08-14-2016)

Class—94
Worship—165
Evening—97
Offering—\$5,634.92
Wed. 7 PM - 105

Our Members Who are Homebound		
Ruth Brookover	Ben Colantoni	Gladys Frohling
Jim Hart	Glenda Hendrickson	Jo & Ron Kress
Laura Menear	Becca Simons	Robin Wilson

Prayers for Those with Cancer: *Chuck Doyle, Jo Kress, Walter Mincks (Dan’s father), Delena Joy (Judy Beckett’s friend), Ron Robey (Judy Beckett’s brother), Donna George (Eva Leonhart’s neighbor), Dorothy Saunders (friend of Martha & Dave Berger), Faye Williams (Glenda Hendrickson’s niece), Sharon Pugh (wife of Charles Pugh), Edwin Williams (Glenda Hendrickson’s nephew), Brenda Nulter (Fred Nulter’s sister-in-law), Mary Thompson (friend of Shirley Gilchrist), Emily Friar (10 yr. old niece of Jim & Rita Taylor), Troy Rae and Brandon Lynch (Mary Lamp’s nephews), Josh Beckett (Judy’s great nephew), Linda Beihl (Luella Pickrell’s niece), Cassie McGinnis (daughter of the late Howard Dowler), Rosalee Poling (sister of Laura Menear), Mike Taylor (Cousin of Sarah Shuman), Donald Kelley (Jim’s brother), Jon Gregg (husband of Sarah Shuman’s niece, Adreama)*

Ongoing Health Problems: *Jean VanSickle, Bob Schott, Helen Sweeney, Ruth Brookover, Ben Colantoni, Don Bibbee, Ron Kress, Jim Kelley, Ken Lamp, Norma Craig, Glenda Hendrickson, Betty Miller, Jim Hart, Ed Lemley, Bud Nonamaker, Lois Miller, Peggy Smith, Jody Boone, Ann Grimm, Cathy Deem, Robin Wilson (Mary Simon’s daughter), Becca Simons (Mary’s granddaughter), Joyce Dotson, Carter Nichols (Curkendall’s Grandson), Wayne & Sherry McCray (Brother and sister-in-law of Judy Curkendall), Marybelle Ice (Mother of Martha Berger), Tracy Sullivan & Tina Nichols (Lois Miller’s daughters), Travis Parsons (friend of Shirley Gilchrist), Wayne Hall (Karen Case’s brother), Ed Porter (brother of Bill & cousin of Judy Curkendall), Hadassa Williams, Kimberly Kellar Kirk (niece of Judy Curkendall), Edna Cain (mother of Sarah Shuman), Rob Shuman (Jim’s brother), Brenda Butterfield (Mark’s sister)*

Pray for our Military (some addresses available)
Ryan Bemish (son of Debbie & Dan Sherman) <i>Army</i>
Chris DePuy & wife Melanie (Jeff & Julie’s son) <i>Air Force</i>
Brad Gibbs & wife Amber (Grandson of Kelly & Genny Gibbs) <i>Navy</i>
Joshua Rebholz (Son of Max & Grandson of Hiram & Nina Rebholz and Fred & Martha Nulter) <i>Marines</i>
Chad Williamson & wife Julie (Pat Williamson’s grandson) <i>Marines</i>
Anthony Worst (Nephew of Michelle Hershman) <i>Marines</i>

Privileged to Serve Next Week (08/28/16—8/30/16)

Announcements—Dennis Menear, Jack Long
Visitor’s Table— Mary Simons
Ushers—Dennis Menear*, Paul Butterfield, Jim Taylor, Ron Grizzard
Table (Front)— Gary Carothers, Rod Seeley, Eddie Gray, Jeff Poling
Table (Rear)—Jared Shipley, Luke Wolfe, Hiram Rebholz, Steve Shelene, Bob Schott, Dave Berger

	Sun AM	Sun PM	Wed
Van Driver	B. Duncan	B. Duncan	M. Mason
Song Leader	J. Shipley	Zack Jones	C. Doyle
Prayer	P Merideth	D. Mincks	M. Mason
Table Speaker	Mike Moss	G. Lemley	
Table Assist	Rick Kellar	Ck. Jones	
Read Scripture	L. Clark	T. Cramer	
Closing Prayer	Jim Shu.	C. Morris	