SUNDAY MORNING

Announcements

Jon Barry

Song Leader

Jack Calvert

Lord's Supper

Rodney Ellis Mark Davis Bill Rinehart

Prayers

Randy Ellis Bill Brittenham

WEDNESDAY EVENING

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Bill Brittenham

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Bryan Garlock

Prayers

Bill Rinehart Mark Davis

Invitation

Jon Barry

when similar or worse events visited their homes. Pray often and let others know you are praying for them!

May all the faithful lower lights who devote themselves to prayer for the wellbeing of others keep up this good work. Powerful things happen when humble saints pray!

Psalm 121:7-8 Jehovah will keep thee from all evil; He will keep thy soul. Jehovah will keep thy going out and thy coming in from this time forth and for evermore.

ABOUT US

Elders

Jack Calvert Rodney Ellis

Jon Barry Bill Brittenham Mike Davis Clay Morris

Evangelist

Bryan Garlock

SERVICE TIMES

Sunday

Bible Study9:30 A.M. Worship10:15 A.M.

Monday (Zoom)

Bible Study7:00 P.M

Wednesday

Bible Study7:00 P.M.

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GOD'S PLAN FOR SALVATION

Hear the word of truth Romans 10:13-17

Believe the truth..... Hebrews 11:6; John 8:24

Repent from all sins Luke 13:3; Acts 2:38

Confess the name of Christ ... Matthew10:32-33: Romans 10:9-10

Be Baptized in His name Mark 16:16; 1 Peter 3:21; Colossians 2:12

Walk in newness of life and be faithful unto death Romans 6:1-4; Revelation 2:10



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Keep Your Heart With All Diligence

Wayne Fancher, Jr.

Proverbs 4:23 Keep your heart with all diligence,

For out of it spring the issues of life.

All of our actions, everything we say and everything we do springs forth from our minds. To control ourselves we must control our mind. To control our mind we must control what we are taking into our minds.

2 Corinthians 10:5 casting down arguments and every high thing that exalts itself against the knowledge of God, bringing every thought into captivity to the obedience of Christ,

As a man thinks in his heart so is he. Our goal as Christians is to bring every thought into captivity controlling our thoughts so we will obey the will of our Lord and our God by faith.

Matthew 6:22 "The lamp of the body is the eye. If therefore your eye is good, your whole body will be full of light

We are what we eat. What you take into your mouth is what is going to make up

your physical body. Our senses are the avenues through which our mind receives information. What we take into our mind especially through our eyes and our ears will make up what we are mentally. If we take garbage and filth into our minds, garbage and filth will be in our thoughts and eventually in our actions.

Psalm 101:3 <u>I will set nothing wicked</u> <u>before my eyes</u>;

I hate the work of those who fall away; It shall not cling to me.

To guard our minds with all diligence in the modern American culture we must realize that we are being bombarded daily with immoral filthy garbage. Television has gotten worse and worse every year. The days of the Andy Griffith show are gone. What is put forth as comedy and entertainment today is often nothing but vulgar cussing along with immoral sinful actions. If we take this filth into our minds, it will affect our thoughts and our actions. No Christian should have HBO, Showtime,

FAMILY TALK

Continue to remember and check on our shut-ins/sometimes shut-ins: Bonnie Allgor, Pat Buls, Maxine Burnham, Sonny & Cathy Monaghan, Pete & Beth Rowland, and Francine Davis.

We weep with the **Burnham** family at **Dennis's** passing and pray for their comfort and encouragement.

Antonio Montanez passed away this past week. The church here has helped support the works he and his brother,
Abel, have done.

We are thankful *Jon Barry's* uncle, *Jimmy*, is out of the hospital and doing better.

The church in *Mt. Pleasant* has a meeting scheduled Nov. 7-10 with *Tony Mauck*

or any channel that pumps pornography into their homes and hearts. If you cannot get control of your televisions then get rid of your televisions. Do not go to Hell because you will not control what you are watching on your television.

Not only are we being attacked through our televisions we are also being attacked through our computers. Pornography is one of the biggest businesses in America and the world today. The main avenue that pornography is being poured into people's minds is through their computers. If you cannot get control of your computer then get rid of your computer. Keep your heart with all diligence. If we do not keep our hearts,

we will not keep our thoughts or our actions and in the end we will lose our souls.

How To Be Successful In Life

Wayne Fancher, Jr.

There are countless books on how to be successful in life. At the very heart of this subject is how do you define success? If your definition of success is simply being wealthy in monetary terms then I would say you do not understand what it means to truly be successful.

Luke 12:20 But God said to him, 'Fool! This night your soul will be required of you; then whose will those things be which you have provided?'

I would not consider this man to be successful even though he possessed wealth while he was alive. Going to hell is not success regardless of how much wealth you have.

1 Timothy 4:8 godliness is profitable for all things, having promise of the life that now is and of that which is to come.

True success is first of all attaining to the resurrection of eternal life in the day of judgment. If we do not make it to heaven in eternity, then we are not successful regardless of our physical achievements in this life. Godliness is profitable for the life that is to come in the future after death. Everyone who ends up in heaven are those who are truly successful.

Philippians 1:21 For to me, to live is Christ, and to die is gain.

This is one of the most optimistic statements of success in life that I know of in the word of God. Either way Paul went, he was a winner. If he stayed alive he was blessed in this life with Christ at the center of his life. If

Paul died he gained even more. Either way he went, he won. That is true success.

Success is getting the most out of this life and eventually going to heaven. Godliness is the way to success in life. Godliness is not only the way to heaven, it is also profitable for the life that now is.

Proverbs 4:7 <u>Wisdom is the principal</u> thing; Therefore get wisdom. And in all your getting, get understanding.

Ecclesiastes 12:13 Let us hear the conclusion of the whole matter: Fear God and keep His commandments, For this is man's all.

With the fear of God at the center of your heart and life and the word of God as your guide in life you can find your way to wisdom and ultimately success in life. If we follow the word of God by faith, we will get the most love, joy, and peace out this life possible. In following the scriptures we will avoid a whole lot of unnecessary suffering in life. Then at the end of our life we end up with our God. Now that is success!

Let The Lower Lights Be BurningGreg Chandler

God has made it clear not only that He wants us to pray, but also to trust that our prayers can have great impact. To this end, the apostle Paul admonished Christians to "pray without ceasing" (I Thessalonians 5:17) and the writer James stated, "The prayer of a righteous person has great power as it is working" (5:16b ESV). A life devoted to prayer with a faith that trusts these prayers are heard by the Lord should build confidence in His children!

As the apostle Peter was about to undergo a time of testing, the Lord Jesus

made a powerful statement to him: "Simon, Simon, behold, Satan demanded to have you that he might sift you like wheat, but I have prayed for you that your faith may not fail. And when you have turned again, strengthen your brothers" (Luke 22:31-32). In this, the Lord sets an important example of praying for the strength of another. Preceding his statement about the prayers of the righteous, James echoed this point when he wrote, "Therefore, confess your sins to one another and pray for one another, that you may be healed" (5:16a). What a blessing we have in prayer!

This congregation is richly blessed to have so many lower lights who are devoted to prayer. In a church the size of ours, there is a constant need for these godly brothers and sisters. Rarely does a week pass when members or their family or friends are not touched by some manner of difficulty or challenge. Health ailments, travel assignments, and family struggles are only a few of the challenges that often call for prayers. What a comfort to know that these lower lights stand (or maybe kneel!) ready to take petitions to the throne room of Heaven.

Speaking personally, I can assure you there is great encouragement given when someone says, "I have prayed for you and your work for the Lord." It has also been of great encouragement when tragedy struck my family in this past year to know that so many brothers and sisters have taken requests for my family's well-being to God. Others in this congregation have also attested to the strength they gained