

HAPPY FATHER'S DAY!

The righteous man walks in his integrity. His children are blessed after him. Prov. 20:7

WHAT KIND OF GIVERS ARE WE?

A querist asks, "In Leviticus 27:30-33, we notice that one tenth of the Hebrew's annual harvest was to be devoted to the service of God as a "tithe" offering for the support of the Levites and priests in their religious duties (Numbers 18:24; Numbers 18:28). The Israelites of Malachi's day were violating this law. As a result, God, through Malachi asks, "Will a man rob God?" (Malachi 3:8). The people answered, "Wherein have we robbed thee?" God answers, "In tithes and offerings." As a result of their attitude toward giving, God pronounces a "curse" upon them (Malachi 3:9) and calls upon the people to repent and give into His storehouse (Malachi 3:10). With these thoughts in mind, is it possible that some Christians still "rob God" today by not giving as generously as they are able to give into the treasury of the church?"

Let us note in the querist's question, the phrase, "as they are able to give." In Acts 11:26-30, we find Barnabas and Saul assembling with the church at Antioch. Through Agabus, the Holy Spirit revealed that there was to be a great famine in the land. As a result, the disciples made the decision to send "relief" to the brethren in Judea (Acts 11:29). Note the phrase, "every man according to his ability." Now compare that phrase with the phrase we find in 2 Corinthians 9:7, "Every man according as he purposeth in his heart, so let him give....". What do we learn from these two readings?

- 1)** God does not expect any Christian to give beyond their ability to give.
- 2)** God does expect every Christian to give as they have "planned" or "purposed" to give "in his heart."

The motive of the heart is what God looks at in our giving (or anything else that we do – 1 Samuel 16:7). A good comparison would be that of the "poor widow" in Mark 12:42-44 versus Ananias and Sapphira in Acts 5:1-11. The widow's motive for giving was pure and honorable, while Ananias and Sapphira's motive for giving was not. In 2 Corinthians 8:1-5, we have an example of the characteristics of true giving from the Macedonian churches:

- 1)** They were "joyful" givers (2 Corinthians 8:2).
- 2)** They were "liberal" givers (2 Corinthians 8:2).
- 3)** They were "willing" givers (2 Corinthians 8:3).
- 4)** They were "prayerful" givers (2 Corinthians 8:4).
- 5)** They were "selfless" givers (2 Corinthians 8:5).
- 6)** They were "consecrated" givers (2 Corinthians 8:5).

To "give themselves to the Lord" (2 Corinthians 8:5), was to consecrate all they had to His service (whether money, talents, time, energy, etc.). Since God already "owns" everything (Deuteronomy 10:14; Job 41:11; Psalm 24:1; Psalm 50:11-12; Haggai 2:8; 1 Corinthians 10:26), the most valuable thing we can give back to Him is "ourselves" (cf. Matthew 16:24-26; Matthew 19:21; Luke 18:22) in the form of service to Him (Joshua 24:15; Joshua 24:31; Judges 2:7). Brethren, when we first give "ourselves" to the Lord, all other things pertaining to our "giving" will follow suit.

June:

BIRTHDAYS: 3-Dale Aden, 4-Jimmy McClain, 4-Emily Moore, 4-David Keel, 9-Penny Warren, 10-Dillon Foster, 23-Jeanie Brasher, 25-Sara Beth Mayfield,, 26-Bladen De Priest, 26-Ginger Foster

ANNIVERSARIES: 5-Greg & Lori McClain; 21-Sherrill & Wanda Smith; 21-John Henry & Nina Long

WHAT MUST I DO TO BE SAVED?

We must hear the word of God. Romans 10:17

We must believe the word of God. Hebrews 11:6; John 3:16; Mark 16:15-16

We must repent of our sins. Luke 13:3; Acts 2:38

We must confess Christ before men. Matthew 10:32-33; Romans 10:9-10

We must be immersed for the remission of our sins. Acts 2:38; 22:16; I Peter 3:21

We must live faithfully until death. Revelation 2:10; Romans 12:1-2

•THOSE TO SERVE – JUNE LIST IN FOYER

(Please check for your assignment and PLEASE contact one of the Deacons if you know you are going to be absent on that date).

VOLUNTEERS NEEDED: To prepare communion trays; Check the list in foyer to see open months.

DATES TO REMEMBER::

•June 25th-SYS HERE AT 7 P.M., Scott Bloodworth, Speaker

•July 8th Fellowship Luncheon, All Invited!

SHUT-INS /NURSING HOME:

Martha Nell Reed, Lakeside Retirement Community, 390 Dr. Smith Lane, McKenzie 38201

Elvy Sauls Jr., Life Care of Bruceton, 105 Rowland Ave., Bruceton 38317

PRAYER LIST Paige Halford and infant daughter, Brenda Hinson, Kaffie Green, Sybil Hamilton, Charlie Wachsmuth, Jimmy McClain, Tom Aden, Doris Haskell, Mary Bryant, Tim Rogers, Harold Hutcherson, Charles Foster, Penny Warren, Vicki Murphy (Lexington), Mike Lane, Ruth Bennett, Janice Sauls Wade

CANCER: Jane Woodson, Ray Box, Denise Clemmer, Kenneth Foster, Joe Gordon, Linda Cherry; Jackie Smith, Keith Inman. Lynn Harrison, Barry Barber, Sue Price; Deborah Browning; Hattie Brinkley Berry, Christine Johnson, Jimmy Greene, Lalanie Murphy

~~~~~

**Trezevant church of Christ**, 114 Church St., Trezevant, TN 38258, 731-669-3448, Tim Rogers, Minister

## Services:

Sunday Morning

Bible Study: 9:00 a.m.

Worship: 10:00 a.m.

Evening: 5:00 p.m.

Wednesday

Bible Study: 6:30 p.m.

## Elders:

Dale Aden Cell: 731-415-1161

David Bryant Cell: 731-418-1311 Home: 731-669-9648 waynebryant25@gmail.com

Steve Foster Cell: 731-225-4395

## Deacons:

David Brasher Cell: 731-415-0636

Greg McClain Cell: 731-694-0766

Mark Wright Cell: 731-571-5606

Youth Coordinatoator: Nick Bryant 694-2983

MISSIONS: Partners in Africa; West TN Children's Home

### JUNE 18

| DATES                         | WEEK OF 06/03                                               | WEEK OF 06/10                                               | WEEK OF 06/17                                               | WEEK OF 24                                                  |  |
|-------------------------------|-------------------------------------------------------------|-------------------------------------------------------------|-------------------------------------------------------------|-------------------------------------------------------------|--|
| PREPARE LORD'S SUPPER         | DALE BALLENTINE                                             | DALE BALLENTINE                                             | DALE BALLENTINE                                             | DALE BALLENTINE                                             |  |
| GREET                         | GREG AND LORI                                               | GREG AND LORI                                               | GREG AND LORI                                               | GREG AND LORI                                               |  |
| POWERPOINT                    | JOSHUA BRASHER                                              | JOSHUA BRASHER                                              | JOSHUA BRASHER                                              | JOSHUA BRASHER                                              |  |
| ANNOUNCEMENTS                 | DALE ADEN                                                   | DALE ADEN                                                   | DALE ADEN                                                   | DALE ADEN                                                   |  |
| OPENING PRAYER SUNDAY A.M.    | SHERRILL SMITH                                              | TIM ROGERS                                                  | DALE BALLENTINE                                             | KEITH PEEVYHOUSE                                            |  |
| LEAD SINGING SUNDAY A.M.      | DAVID BRYANT                                                | DAVID BRYANT                                                | DAVID BRYANT                                                | DAVID BRYANT                                                |  |
| PRESIDE LORD'S SUPPER         | MARK WRIGHT                                                 | MARK WRIGHT                                                 | MARK WRIGHT                                                 | MARK WRIGHT                                                 |  |
| PRESIDE LORD'S SUPPER         | DAVID BRASHER                                               | DAVID BRASHER                                               | DAVID BRASHER                                               | DAVID BRASHER                                               |  |
| SERVE LORD'S SUPPER           | MONTE MORRIS<br>DANIEL ROGERS<br>JACOB KEEN GREG<br>MCCLAIN | MONTE MORRIS<br>DANIEL ROGERS<br>JACOB KEEN<br>GREG MCCLAIN | MONTE MORRIS<br>DANIEL ROGERS<br>JACOB KEEN GREG<br>MCCLAIN | MONTE MORRIS<br>DANIEL ROGERS<br>JACOB KEEN GREG<br>MCCLAIN |  |
| SCRIPTURE READING SUNDAY A.M. | DYLAN HOLT                                                  | JACK LAWRENCE                                               | DANIEL ROGERS                                               | JACOB PEEVYHOUSE                                            |  |
| CLOSING PRAYER SUNDAY A.M.    | MONTE MORRIS                                                | JACOB KEEN                                                  | STEVE FOSTER                                                | JACOB PEEVYHOUSE                                            |  |
| OPENING PRAYER SUNDAY P.M.    | DALE ADEN                                                   | MARK WRIGHT                                                 | DALE BALLENTINE                                             | KEITH PEEVYHOUSE                                            |  |
| LEAD SINGING SUNDAY P.M.      | NICK BRYANT                                                 | NICK BRYANT                                                 | NICK BRYANT                                                 | NICK BRYANT                                                 |  |
| SCRIPTURE READING SUNDAY P.M. | DANIEL ROGERS                                               | MONTE MORRIS                                                | JACK LAWRENCE                                               | NOAH BRASHER                                                |  |
| CLOSING PRAYER SUNDAY P.M.    | NOAH BRASHER                                                | NICK BRYANT                                                 | JACOB KEEN                                                  | DYLAN HOLT                                                  |  |
| OPENING PRAYER WEDNESDAY      | JUNE 06 MARK WRIGHT                                         | JUNE 13 GREG MCCLAIN                                        | JUNE 20 CHARLES WACHSMUTH                                   | JUN 27 DALE ADEN                                            |  |
| LEAD SINGING WEDNESDAY        | JACOB PEEVYHOUSE                                            | JACOB PEEVYHOUSE                                            | JACOB PEEVYHOUSE                                            | JACOB PEEVYHOUSE                                            |  |
| DEVOTIONAL WEDNESDAY          | DANIEL ROGERS                                               | DALE ADEN                                                   | DAVID BRYANT                                                | NICK BRYANT                                                 |  |
| CLOSING PRAYER WEDNESDAY      | JACOB KEEN                                                  | JOSHUA BRASHER                                              | NOAH BRASHER                                                | DYLAN HOLT                                                  |  |