

"He heals the brokenhearted And binds up their wounds."

Psalms 147:3 NKJV

# Three Questions to Keep Your Worship Focused <u>David Sproule</u>

Each day when I leave my home, I don't get too far down the road before I start missing my wife and children. As we age, we all are going our separate ways, but each time I leave my family, I can't wait to see them again! Upon departure, I anxiously want to see their faces and hear their voices because of the love we have for one another and the support we enjoy. I transfer these feelings to the church and when we are in each other's presence for worship, class, or work we are doing together. When Sundays are over, I'm ready to see everyone again. When Wednesday is complete, I can finish the week strong because of feeding on God's Word and the comfort I have in knowing I have brothers and sisters in Christ that I can lean on because of our fellowship.

"Church attendance" is one of those topics that can stir emotion and create challenging conversations. The good news is, scripture has much to say about the "assembling of the saints." When this topic comes up, we as Bible students turn to Hebrews 10:24-25. This text says, "And let us consider one another in order to stir up love and good works, not forsaking the assembling of ourselves together, as is the manner of some, but exhorting one another, and so much the more as you see the Day approaching."

Wayne Jackson in his article "Is Church Attendance Required?" reminds us of the motivation of the book of Hebrews. Brother Jackson says, "This inspired document was a warning to Jewish Christians. Some of these saints were being encouraged by Hebrew false teachers to abandon Christianity and revert to Judaism. The sacred writer thus seeks to inoculate against this danger. The disciples were cautioned against drifting from the truth (Heb. 2:1) and developing 'an evil heart of unbelief in falling away from the living God' (Heb. 3:12). They were admonished to throw off their 'dullness of hearing' (Heb. 5:11) and to hold on to their boldness and patience to the very end (Heb. 10:35-36)."

The point is this: When we talk about the importance of "attending," and we point to Hebrews 10:24-25, we must understand what we are to "take away" from the Scripture and why it is so important for us to stay "plugged in." If we slowly develop the mindset that we do not have to attend worship services or even engage in Bible classes or participate in the works of the church, we are not only displeasing God, but we are in danger—in danger of drifting away from God which eventually leads to disconnect, and developing a dullness of hearing which equates a refusal to have a right relationship with Jesus.



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#### When We Assemble

Sunday

Morning Worship 9:00 a.m.
Bible Classes following

Evening Worship 5:00 p.m.

Wednesday

Bible Study 10:00 a.m. Bible Study 6:30 p.m.

All services are live streamed on our Facebook and YouTube pages



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#### Isaiah's Call

Our item for this effort is:

Vienna Sausage's

#### **Worship Leaders**

Sunday, September 25th 2022 A.M. Lead Singing—Gage Matthews Announcements—Jimmy Phillips Read—Kaleb Jones Opening Prayer—R.C. Clemmons Closing Prayer—Brian Smith

Officiating Lord's Supper Jake Whitehead

*Ushers and Security*Jonah Danley, Bobby Roberson,
Ronnie Ray, Mike DesRuisseaux

PowerPoint for this week: Heath Allen, We Ayers

Sanitizing for the week Ronnie Ray, Mike Coker, Gage Matthews

Sunday, September 25th 2022 P.M. Lead Singing - Gage Matthews Announcements — Jimmy Phillips Opening Prayer — Danny Jenkins Closing Prayer — David Quillen

Wednesday, September 28th 2022 Lead Singing— Gage Matthews Announcements—Jimmy Phillips Read— Mike DesRuisseaux Opening Prayer— Alan Storie Extend Invitation—Danny Jenkins Closing Prayer—Nicholas Grigsby Sunday, October 2nd 2022 A.M.
Lead Singing—Jared Hines
Announcements—Alan Storie
Read—Jimmy Phillips
Opening Prayer—Stephen Phillips
Closing Prayer—Jonah Danley

Officiating Lord's Supper Bengie Hines

Ushers and Security
Heath Allen, Wes Ayers,
Kurt Aston, Justin Phillips

PowerPoint for this week.
Bobby Roberson, Brian Jones

Sanitizing for the week Mike DesRuisseaux, Keeton Hines, Brennan Rook, Easton Simpson

Sunday, October 2nd 2022 P.M. Lead Singing - Jared Hines Announcements—Alan Storie Opening Prayer— Teddy Richey Closing Prayer— Ronnie Ray

Wednesday, October 5th 2022
Lead Singing— Keeton Hines
Announcements-Alan Storie
Read— Nicholas Grigsby
Opening Prayer— Brennan Rook
Extend Invitation— Jake Whitehead
Closing Prayer—Maddox Allen

Please Contact Mike DesRuisseaux at (256) 740-2720 if you are unable to fulfill your worship assignments!

#### SHILOH FAMILY MEMBERS TO REMEMBER IN PRAYER

Minerva Allen
Ted & Beverly Short
Clayburn Hines
Derance & Phyllis Smith
Pat Hannah
Darrell Twilley
Brenda Stejskal
Misty Ray Moses
Arvel Curtis
E.L. Richardson
Leon Hines
Bill Canerday
Dennis Allen (COVID)
Mike & Pam DesRuisseaux

#### FRIENDS & FAMILY IN NEED OF PRAYERS

Allen Smith (Bill Phillips grandson)
Billy Putman (friend of Johnnie Ruth Dixon– brain tumor)
Lonna Hines

Kruz & Paizlee Davenport

Margaret Dishowngh (Janie Coker's sister)

Megan Klingbell

Richard Stumpe (friend of Noel & Kathryn Scott—cancer)

Tommy Pettus (Cancer Treatments)

Steve Shelton

Steve Gist

Virginia Springer

Tammy Richardson

R.T. Farmer (Janice Ray's Father)

Brooks Elliot (Friend of Allison Hines, Cancer Treatments)
Regina Campbell (Cancer Treatments, friend of Hines family)

Vergie McClanahan

Sherry Hinson

Trish Coker

Michael Grigsby

Evelyn Ray (Ronnie Ray's mother)

Gary Redford

Jakelyn Freemon

Leigh Warren

Kent Baggett

Linda Kennedy Bissinger

Virginia McDonald

Amy Newton

Norma Hollis Johnson

**Sherry Terry** 

Regina Hayes

Deb Rutland (cousin of Sheila Quillen)

Walker Smithson

Ron Hayes

Jerry Coker

#### **NURSING HOME & ASSISTED LIVING**

#### ♦ El Reposo

Bradley Dupree—Rm#303B

#### ♦ Lauderdale Christian

Gail Watkins—Rm #20

#### ♦ Cedar View

Sue Goins—Rm#114

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#### **Happy Birthday**

**Happy Anniversary** 

25 Lois Coker, Jr. 27 Chris Moses 29 Sonya Murks 29 Caleb Storie

### Sunday, September 18th, 2022

Records We Collected

Bible Class—136 A.M. Worship—157 P.M. Worship—101

Contribution—\$5,455.00 Internet Views A.M.—103 Internet Views P.M.— 60

#### Wednesday, September 21st, 2022

A.M. Bible Study—21 P.M. Bible Study—84 Internet Views from September 21st A.M— Internet Views from September 21st P.M—69













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## The Shiloh Scoop

A young child watched her mother reading from the Bible for a few minutes each morning. Finally one day she asked, "Aren't you ever going to get finished reading that book?" The mother replied, "No honey, we never get finished with this Book. It always has something that helps encourage, challenge, and make me into being a better person."

What a wonderful blessing to be able to read the parable of the good Samaritan, the sermon on the mount, the resurrection story, the faithfulness of the men and women of old and many others.

Dear friend, the Bible holds great treasures. Search it, study it, cherish it and spend time with it each day. It's God's way of telling us how to get to heaven. If we don't know the way, or if we refuse to follow its directions, we simply won't get there. Make time to read your Bible. Through eternity you will be glad you did.

Where is your Bible? Is it on top of the Guide or under it?

John K. Wills

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