

## What Do People See In Me?

We form opinions of the people with whom we work or frequently see in passing. Sometimes, we see them as praiseworthy; we think highly of the person and admire what they do or how they live. On other occasions, the assessment is not so flattering. Did you know that many impressions others have of us are formed by mere observation? It might even be determined from just one incident. What happens if that incident is when you are really having a bad day? And, when others judge us, upon what are they basing their estimation: Our actions? Our words? Our appearance?

Jesus said, ***“Let your light shine before others, so that they may see your good works and give glory to your Father who is in heaven” (Matthew 5.16).*** As Christians, we are being observed daily by others looking to see if we truly live what we believe. Some days are easy, everything goes our way, our hearts are filled with joy, we feel so good we are as nice as can be to everyone we meet. But then there are the bad days: days of yielding to sin, forgetting who we are, telling others exactly what we think and feeling victorious within for bringing them down a notch or two. It is easy to be Christ-like in worship on Sundays; but what impressions are we letting our words, actions, and appearance reveal on other days?

Many catalysts may trigger our lack of Christianity upon certain occasions. Satan usually gets in and causes us to focus on ourselves instead of others. A lot of tempers are lost because of a person not doing what we think they should be doing, or what they do we find personally offensive, or the greed within overtaking us because we are not able to do or receive the same. It is difficult to think of others first every day. But isn't that why God instructs us to do so, to take on the mind of Christ, and to live with all humility (Philippians 2.3-8)? Christianity is a lifestyle that challenges us to be holy and to constantly battle the attacks of Satan (I Peter 1.15; Ephesians 6.11).

No one is perfect and able to live without sinning. So what if I lose my temper, let a few inappropriate words fly, or dress immodestly on just one occasion? Everyone's human! Yes, everyone is human; but you have chosen to be a human child of God and have pledged your faith to live "in Him." So, what do we do when we mess up? We seek God's forgiveness; but, has that changed the offended person's opinion of us? I have had to track people down in the church and in the world to apologize for my failure to act like a Christian. Bad day or not, it still did not justify my inappropriate actions before God. Most of the time, someone's impression of you rises when they see you admit your mistakes and acknowledge you have behaved inappropriately. When such occurs, you are overcoming and winning the battle against Satan. So, from the way you live, what do people see in you? Jesus?

Gary

# Can I Miss God’s Grace?

Hebrews 12.15-17

- 1) Can people in church miss God’s grace?
- 2) How is that possible?

## I) Is It Possible To \_\_\_\_\_ God’s \_\_\_\_\_ ?

- A) The Hebrew writer stated that even a faithful Christian may sometimes “\_\_\_\_\_” (Hebrews 12.15a; Romans 3.23).
  - 1) The image is of one \_\_\_\_\_.
  - 2) Satan may \_\_\_\_\_ the laggard on the spiritual road.
- B) Christians \_\_\_\_\_ fall behind and miss out on the grace of God.
  - 1) What happens when one misses God’s grace (Hebrews 12.15b)?
  - 2) When Jesus wanted people to understand God’s grace, He told the account of the Prodigal Son (Luke 15.11-32).

## II) Is Being \_\_\_\_\_ Required?

- A) Have you ever felt \_\_\_\_\_ and \_\_\_\_\_ over something you did?
- B) When faced with guilt, we often do everything we can to avoid \_\_\_\_\_.
  - 1) Instead, we want to cover our guilt by:
    - (a) \_\_\_\_\_
    - (b) \_\_\_\_\_
    - (c) \_\_\_\_\_
    - (d) \_\_\_\_\_
    - (e) \_\_\_\_\_
  - 2) Our sin should lead us to \_\_\_\_\_.

## III) Can I Follow The \_\_\_\_\_ And Still Miss God’s \_\_\_\_\_ ?

- A) The prodigal son’s \_\_\_\_\_ is a prime example (Luke 15.25-32).
- B) What do you do when you \_\_\_\_\_ yourself with others?
  - 1) You \_\_\_\_\_.
  - 2) \_\_\_\_\_ and \_\_\_\_\_ are uglier than the sins of the person to whom you compare yourself.
- C) If the biggest sinner you know isn’t \_\_\_\_\_, then you do not \_\_\_\_\_ very well.
  - 1) Did you notice Paul said, “*I* \_\_\_\_\_”?
  - 2) Truth be known, I \_\_\_\_\_ consider myself the biggest sinner.
    - (a) The more I learn about the \_\_\_\_\_ of God—
    - (b) The more I \_\_\_\_\_ my own life and motives—
    - (c) The closer I get to the \_\_\_\_\_ conclusion that I am the \_\_\_\_\_ sinner I know.
  - 3) Augustine wrote in his *Confessions*, “*My sin was all the more incurable because I did not think myself curable.*”

**Conclusion:** Will you miss God’s grace today?

# C O N N E C T I O N

**C** Good Morning WH family, Hope you remembered to change the  
**R** clocks! Happy Daylight Savings time, right? Today we feature Tom  
& Paula Pauley in our Connection Corner.

**N** Tom was born in Charleston, WV and moved to Orange, TX when he  
**E** was 12 years old. Tom describes his time in high school as "I was a  
**R** little bit... 'mischievous.'" (Ask him to define 'mischievous' for you!)  
Following graduation, he joined the Air Force as a "Supply Rat." (Picture "Radar" if you are a  
M.A.S.H. fan.) He was once stationed in the Philippines at the same time as, but never met  
our own Dan Kille, Milt Birmingham, or Ron Cade. At the end of his enlistment, he returned  
to Orange and began work for the Dupont Company.



Paula was born in Portsmouth, VA as a "Navy brat," moving every few years, ending up in  
Hawaii. Who knew she would have to endure such a desolate place? Upon her dad's transfer  
back stateside to Orange, (or as Paula calls it the "armpit of Texas") for her senior year in  
high school, the family began attending church services there. On their first Sunday, Tom got  
up to lead a prayer and saw "the girl of his dreams." A few weeks later he approached her  
outside the building and uttered that classic pick up line "*Those are the ugliest shoes I have  
ever seen!*" To which Paula replied, "*When you start paying for them you can tell me what to  
wear.*" Tom and his good friend both wanted to ask Paula out, so they flipped for it and Tom  
lost. But, as fate would have it, Paula could not go out until it was Tom's turn. Not quite a  
year later they were married and Tom started buying her shoes!

Tom and Paula stayed in Orange for 9 years, had their daughter, and Tom became a deacon  
in the church and started preaching part-time with a very small church there. He decided he  
wanted to preach, so they decided to move to Lubbock to attend the Sunset School of  
Preaching. The little church took up a special offering to help them and collected \$27.10.  
Ask them how much that little amount means to them! It was a tough financial time while  
they attended Sunset, one time they had no milk for their new baby son and only 1 can of  
spinach in the pantry. A friend knocked on their door and brought a stranger who said that  
he wanted to help students in need. Tom & Paula were given \$100. They were never able to  
track the stranger to thank him, despite their best efforts. No one was able to. To Tom &  
Paula, "the Lord will provide" means everything to them. Tom & Paula joined WH in 1997  
and he has served us admirably as an elder for many years until he recently stepped down  
due to health issues.

I have so many more stories that I could share, but it would rob you of an opportunity to get  
to know them first hand. If you need some good laughs, encouragement & strengthening,  
seek Tom and Paula out. You will be blessed, I guarantee it!

Les Keele



## Wednesday Night Adult Classes:

WHAT DOES GOD WANT WITH YOU RIGHT HERE... RIGHT NOW?

## SHEPHERDS

Greg Ball	214-801-7375
*Russ Bartee	817-938-5825
Dan Kille	817-793-7493
Chuck Meyer	817-448-0060
Ross Tomlinson	682-429-1983
John Walton	817-441-0000

\**Shepherd of the month*

## MINISTERS

Gary Williams: <i>Pulpit Minister</i>	662-321-3208
Les Keele: <i>Associate Minister</i>	817-808-0566
James Bowie: <i>Youth Minister</i>	817-944-4492
John Boudtaroth: <i>Laotian Minister</i>	817-891-2132
Ken Intharansy: <i>Laotian Minister</i>	817-501-6838

## DEACONS

Jon Bartee	817-889-2686
James Bowie	817-944-4492
Brandon Duncan	903-603-1059
Jay Garner	817-205-2070
Doug Lowrey	817-249-0238
Ben Meyer	817-673-8557
Robert Scott	817-246-0911
Matt Sloan	405-471-3404
Steve Taylor	817-291-2065
Buck Thomas	817-733-2620
Arthur Torrez	817-721-2726

## MORNING WORSHIP (10 AM)

**Welcome** - Stephen Johnson

**Song Leader** - Matt Sloan

**Song** - I Will Call Upon The Lord

**Song** - I'll Be List'ning

**Song** - Here I Am To Worship

**Prayer** - Milt Birmingham

**Scripture** - Hebrews 12.15-17

**Song** - In Christ Alone

**Lord's Supper** - Jonathan Bartee

**Prayer for Contribution** - Jonathan Bartee

**Children's Bible Time Dismissal**

**Song** - Wonderful Grace Of Jesus

**Can I Miss God's Grace ?** - Gary Williams

Song- Do You Know My Jesus

Song- God Be With You Till We Meet Again

**Announcements** - Russ Bartee

**Shepherd's Prayer & Dismissal** - Russ Bartee

**Attended Nursery:** After communion, we have an attended nursery available for ages birth to 3 years. There is also a cry room available if needed.

Donate by  
QR Code?  
Here is ours:  
Thank You!



**Sunday, March 19 : Life of Christ Commentary Vol. 2, Lesson 118 on pages 523 - 539.**

## DAILY BIBLE READINGS

### Monday, March 13

Judges 5 - 7

### Tuesday, March 14

Judges 8 - 10

### Wednesday, March 15

Judges 11 - 13

### Thursday, March 16

Judges 14 - 16

### Friday, March 17

Judges 17 - 20

### Saturday, March 18

Judges 21 - Ruth 2

### Sunday, March 19

Ruth 3 - 1 Samuel 1

### Last Week

<b>Bible Class:</b>	132	<b>Wednesday:</b>	103
<b>AM Worship:</b>	210	<b>Contribution:</b>	\$ 15,257.73
<b>PM Worship:</b>	65	<b>Budget:</b>	\$ 12,817.00

### Times of Assemblies

<b>Bible Class:</b>	9:00 AM
<b>Sunday Morning Worship:</b>	10:00 AM
<b>Sunday Evening Worship:</b>	5:00 PM
<b>Wednesday Evening:</b>	7:00 PM

# LTC NEWS AND NOTES



## LTC Practice

Video Bible Drama-see James  
for times.



### The Christian Chronicle

“For those who wish to contribute directly to the relief efforts in Turkey, please go to this webpage listing agencies accepting

contributions (<https://christianchronicle.org/turkey-earthquake-how-to-help/>).

FOOD BANK STATS FOR FEBUARY, 2023.  
170 – Families Served; \$742.14 – Cost to WHCOC  
7409 pounds – Estimated Weight of Food



*Welcome*  
WE'RE GLAD YOU'RE HERE

**Tiffany Wallace, Saaliyah and  
Gabrielle Ward**

**520 Blue Haze Drive  
Fort Worth, Texas 76108  
817-343-4065**

**March 17: 6:00 PM** : Game night at the building. Bring your games, cards, snacks, and winning attitude!



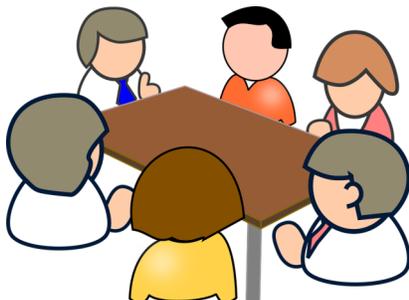
## Door Knocking

March 25th 10 A.M.- 12 P.M.

Please mark your calendars



## NOTICE OF ANNUAL CORPORATE MEETING:



Notice is hereby given that the Annual Corporate Meeting of members of the Western Hills Church of Christ will be held at 8800 Chapin Road, Fort Worth, Texas, 76116 on April 2nd at 5:45 p.m.

How beautiful upon the mountains are the feet of him who brings good news, who publishes peace, who brings good news of happiness, who publishes salvation, who says to Zion, "Your God reigns." Isaiah 52:7

As a new encouragement opportunity, we will be posting an email for one of our missionaries every two weeks. Please send words of love and support. This week: Jos School of Biblical Studies in Nigeria. Their contact information is: [contact.sbsjos@gmail.com](mailto:contact.sbsjos@gmail.com)

Until March 25

## More Candy Please.

April 1

10:00 AM - 12:00 PM

Egg Hunt Begins at 12:00 PM

Ages: 2 Years - 5th Grade

Bring your basket and enjoy FREE games, crafts, bounce house and egg hunt!

PLEASE START BRINGING YOUR EGGS AND CANDY. LOOK FOR THE SIGN UP SHEET TO VOLUNTEER.



Jim Anderson passed away on Thursday, February 23. The Family said there will not be a memorial service.

### Assisting the Tannehill Family

Clothes are no longer needed. Thank you for your donations. Should you still want to donate to this family, a GO FUND ME page has been set up.

<http://gofund.me/76155bb2>

### New Sunday Morning Classes

**Auditorium: The Life of Christ: Gary Williams**

**The Young Married/Young Adults: The Five Love Languages: Les Keele: Room 207 Educational Building**

# PRAYER REQUESTS

## Members

March 12, 2023

NAME	SITUATION	PRAY FOR
Bill Baumann 3/9/2023	He is in Baylor down town room 432. The doctors are trying to find his infection. 3712 Ben Creek Ct. Aledo, TX 76008	Prayers they can find and treat the infection
Dahlia Cade 3/9/2023	Had hip replacement on March 8th. No visitors for now. Cards and phone call appreciated. 3832 Kelvin Ave. Fort Worth, TX 76133	Prayers for quick healing and reduction of pain
Susie Steadman 02/28/2023	Is on her 3rd bout of COVID. 8713 South Normandale Street, Apartment # 218, Fort Worth, Texas 76116	Better health since the asthma makes it so much worse
Lucian Richardson 02/28/2023	Is in Harris down Town, She has a cracked tail bone and was dehydrated. She is in ICU. 124 Willow Springs Lane, Aledo, Texas 76008	Increased health
Carolyn Williams 03/05/2023	Has pneumonia. 8211 Llano Avenue, Fort Wroth, Texas 76116	Healing and better health
Shirly Bennett 02/21/2023	Suffered a stroke on Monday, February 20. She is home recovering. 4018 Ridglea Country Club, #508, Fort Worth, Texas 76126	Better health and no more episodes
Dana Saba 02/12/2023	Her husband, John, lost his brother, Albert, in Lebanon. 3804 Busseron Drive, Benbrook, TX 76116	Strength and comfort for the family
Steven Johnston 02/12/2023	His uncle passed away on February 11. 108 Brock Hill Lane, Weatherford, TX 76088	Comfort for the family
Barbara Howard 02/06/2023	Fell and fractured her left arm and strained her left shoulder and left thigh which requires her to walk with a cane. 6075 FM 1189, Weatherford, TX 76087	Full recovery
Patricia Emerson 02/05/2023	Has returned home from the hospital following her bout with blood clots in her lungs. 6536 Woodale, Wautauga, TX 76148	Recovery and increased strength
Joe & Jodi Gentry	Jodi is dealing with emotional issues at this time. Please pray for Joe and Jodi. 408 Rim Rock Drive, Fort Worth, Texas 76108	That doctors can help her
Charlie Beagle 12/01/2022	Is in Benbrook Nursing Home Memory Care, Room 110 B. 1000 McKinley Street, Benbrook, TX 76126	Better health and days

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# PRAYER REQUESTS

## Family & Friends

March 12, 2023

NAME	REQUESTED BY	SITUATION	PRAY FOR
Buddy Holland, brother of	Judy Birmingham	His metastasized cancer is not responding to the chemo pills. He will begin chemotherapy and immunotherapy next.	These next treatments to have the desired results 02/28/2023
Brandon (son-in-law) and Crockett (his father) of	Sheryl Willyerd	God knows the situation.	For God to work and handle the situations 02/28/2023
Richard Herrington, son of the late Glenna Herrington	Marge Sager	Is undergoing cancer treatments.	Strength and healing 02/28/2023
Gordon Shaw		WBS student who is struggling with his belief in God.	Faith and belief 02/28/2023
Jim Freeman, brother-in-law of	Paula Pauley	Had a knee replacement on February 23 and developed blood clots on Friday evening. He remains in the hospital.	Healing 02/28/2023
Sharron Drury, president of Southwest Christian School	Ellen Bartee	Died Monday evening, February 27.	Comfort for her family and friends 02/28/2023
Ethan Porter, grandson of	Carolyn Williams	Please send cards to him since he still considers himself a member here. Ethan and Kim Porter, 1264 Persimmon Avenue, El Cajon, CA 92021	
Violet Jane, great-granddaughter of	Charles and Carol Meyer	1 month old who was born following the car crash that killed her mother.	Her increased health and development that will allow her to reach all benchmarks of normal growth; prayers for the family as they grieve and adjust to life 02/05/2023

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**PRAYER REQUESTS**  
**Family & Friends**  
**March 12, 2023**

NAME	REQUESTED BY	SITUATION	PRAY FOR
Our Police Force, Our Country, and the people of Turkey and the Middle East	The Ladies' Class	Almost 40,000 people have died from the earthquakes and the mass destruction.	Relief from all the struggles <span style="float: right;">02/28/2023</span>
Mike, friend of	Zach Brookshire	Is struggling with his faith as he is facing dialysis for his kidneys.	His increased faith and that the dialysis will be successful <span style="float: right;">02/05/2023</span>
Nina Silvas, grandmother of	Steven Johnston	Had a hip replacement and is having difficulties with the pain.	Complete healing and for the pain to subside <span style="float: right;">02/05/2023</span>
Kyla Bennett	Frankie Smith	Is having difficulties following the return of her brain tumor.	The doctors and healing
Verna Redd, grandmother of	Taj Gray	Is in pain and poor health.	Relief from pain <span style="float: right;">1/10/2023</span>
Pam, cousin of	Les Keele	Is in need of a kidney transplant.	For a donor and to be moved up on the transplant list <span style="float: right;">12/18/2022</span>

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# Happy March Birthdays

1 Stephen Myers

2 John Larson

3 Beverly Forgey

4 Jim Gilbert

7 Adriana Torrez

8 Charles Kite

11 Mike Whitacre

15 Janelle Ball

17 Amy Bartee

18 Bea House

20 Steve Taylor

21 Mark Musselman

22 Betsy Strother

22 Karen Taylor

23 Glenn Baird

23 Lucian Richardson

27 Chloe Williams

29 Monty Bowers

## Children:

16 Bella Gilbert

24 Maddox Duncan

26 Selah Garner

27 Brena Thomas

# On the Way to Calvary and the Start of the Crucifixion

*Looking into the Face of Jesus The Life of Christ*

Volume 2: Pages 513-523 Individual Study Guide: Lesson Plan 117

1. Approximately how much would the crossbar that Jesus carried weigh?
2. When Jesus was unable to carry the weight of the crossbar for the whole distance, who was forced to carry it the rest of the way?
3. What was the traditional path to Calvary called, and what does the name mean?
4. To what did the words of Jesus, directed at the weeping women, refer?
5. What were the three names of the place of the crucifixion?
6. What process was followed when they reached the place of the crucifixion?
7. What did the sign above Jesus' head say, and in what languages was it written?
8. When the chief priests objected to the sign above Jesus' head, what did Pilate say?
9. Crucifixion had been used for many centuries, but who "perfected it as a form of torture and capital punishment"?
10. According to the Journal of the American Medical Association, what was the major effect of crucifixion?

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# The Crucifixion, Part 1: The First Three Hours

*Looking into the Face of Jesus The Life of Christ,*

Volume 2: Pages 523-539

Individual Study Guide Lesson Plan 118

1. Describe the two three-hour periods into which Christ's six hours on the cross naturally divide.
2. What did the soldiers do with Jesus' tunic, and why did they do it?
3. What did most of those who were in the crowd do as they watched Jesus die?
4. What did the two crucified with Him do?
5. How did Jesus respond to all this verbal abuse?
6. Though Jesus prayed for His tormentors, what would they have to do in order to receive forgiveness?
7. Of those hurling verbal abuse at Jesus, who apparently had a change of heart?
8. How did that man show this change of heart?
9. What promise did Jesus give him?
10. Is the thief on the cross an example of the requirements for salvation this side of the cross?
11. What, then, does the thief on the cross demonstrate?
12. To whom did Jesus commit His mother's care?
13. What is one possible reason Jesus would not have entrusted His mother to His brothers?
14. If the thief's salvation is to serve as any kind of example today, of what is he an example?
15. Whether or not the thief was baptized is unimportant for what three reasons?