

Privileged to Serve

PreacherBill Collins
 Announcements..... Terry Dyer
 Song Leader Tom Fair
 Attendance Terry Dyer/Jacob King

Morning

Scripture/Opening Prayer Shannon Finley
 Lord's Supper

Presiding

*Randy Rives

Assisting

Lamar King * * Paul Guy
 Bruce Clopton* * Dwight Callens

Closing Prayer Eugene White

Evening

Opening Prayer..... Terry Dyer
 Lord's Supper

Lamar King * * Paul Guy

Closing Prayer Byron Madison

Communion Preparation

Month of February King Family

Month of March Diane Beech

Service Times

SUNDAY

Bible Study9:00 a.m.

Morning Worship 10:00 a.m.

Evening Worship5:00 p.m.

WEDNESDAY

Bible Study6:00 p.m.

Elders

DWIGHT CALLENS (601) 527-7149

TOM FAIR..... (601) 681-8293

Deacons

LAMAR KING..... (601) 604-2656

BUILDING/GROUNDS

BYRON MADISON (601) 934-1213

YOUTH

RANDY RIVES (601) 513-4785

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Preacher

BILL COLLINS (337) 515-2385

Works Supported

Robert Martin & Stacey Ferguson

South Pacific Missions

Pine Vale Children's Home

Corinth, Mississippi

Attendance Last Week

Sunday Bible Class 52

Sunday Morning Worship 92

Sunday Evening Worship 33

Wednesday Bible Study 38

Contributions & Other Income

Contribution Last Week \$ 2,188.61

Daily Bible Readers

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Marriages Need Respect

The Lord is interested in our marriages, and unfortunately, Satan is also interested in our marriages. To far too many couples, he is having his way, and the church is reaping the unfortunate consequences of marriages falling apart at the seams. Godly marriages do not just happen; they are not easy to obtain. They are built, and they are built one brick at a time. Thus, we want to examine some godly traits and attributes that we find in the word of God to build godly marriages.

Marriages need a respect for God one's spouse.

According to the New Webster's Dictionary & Thesaurus of the English Language, the term "respect" means, "the special esteem or consideration in which one holds another person or thing; the state or quality of being esteemed." Of course, we find this concept in the Bible. In the Old Testament, one Hebrew term (*sha'ah*) denotes the act of regarding or showing respect (cf. Gen. 4:4-5). With regards to their sacrifices of worship, God showed respect to the offering of Abel, but did not show the same respect to the offering of his older brother, Cain, because we learn that Abel listened to the divine instructions and acted "by faith" (cf. Heb. 11:4). Another Hebrew term (*panah*) also denotes the act of showing regard or respect. In the New Testament, a Greek term that may fit with our discussion is *hegeomai*, which means to consider or esteem (cf. Phil. 2:3). Naturally, one should not be



surprised that the apostle Paul will exhort servants to demonstrate this quality to their respective masters (1 Tim. 6:1). It is also this attribute that Christians are to have toward the elders of the congregations, realizing their role as the shepherds of the flock and overseers of the assemblies (cf. 1 Thess. 5:12-13; Heb. 13:7, 17). There are a few other terms of significance to seeing this trait in the New Testament. The root word of each is the Greek verb *blepo*, which is one of many Greek words to indicate seeing in one way or another. This particular term ... ~ continued inside ~

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