

Privileged to Serve

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

Morning

Scripture/Opening Prayer..... Lamar King
 Lord’s Supper

Presiding

* Dwight Callens

Assisting

Charles Dooley * * Tim Beech
 Tommy Beech * * Dick Vinson

Closing Prayer Rob Warren

Evening

Opening Prayer.....Randy Rives
 Lord’s Supper

Charles Dooley * * Tim Beech
 Closing PrayerAndy Duncan

Communion Preparation

Month of September Brandie Madison
 Month of October..... Cindy Harper

Nursery Attendant; Backup

September 10 Lara King; Katie Agan
 September 17Katie Agan; Angela Duncan

Service Times

SUNDAY

Bible Study 9:00 a.m.
 Morning Worship 10:00 a.m.
 Evening Worship5:00 p.m.

WEDNESDAY

Bible Study6:00 p.m.

Elders

ANDY DUNCAN..... (662) 416-2222
TOM FAIR..... (601) 681-8293

Deacons

LAMAR KING..... (601) 604-2656
 BUILDING/GROUNDS
BYRON MADISON (601) 934-1213
 YOUTH
RANDY RIVES..... (601) 513-4785
 EDUCATION & WORSHIP
ALBERT ST. CLAIR..... (601) 626-7815

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	18
Sunday Morning Worship	69
Sunday Evening Worship	16
Wednesday Bible Study	*

Contributions & Other Income

Contribution Last Week	\$ 2,191.09
Pine Vale Special 5 th Sunday	\$

Daily Bible Readers

September 3, 2017 * = *% of attending
 *Figures Unavailable



September 10, 2017 & Meridian Messenger & Welcome Visitors!

How Can We Improve Our Self-Esteem?

Self-esteem is a vital component in Christians growing in the grace and knowledge of Jesus Christ (2 Pet. 3:18). Here are some things to remember that can help us improve our self-esteem.

REMEMBER THAT WE ARE CREATED IN GOD’S IMAGE (Genesis 1:26). God has given us humans something that nothing else of His creation has – spiritual qualities, mental and moral attributes, and self-consciousness. Because of this, we should always remember that we are of great worth to God. We should be like the lad who proclaimed of himself, “God don’t make no junk!”

REMEMBER THAT NOTHING CAN CAUSE GOD TO LOSE HIS LOVE FOR US (ROMANS 8:38-39). God loves each one of us as if there were only one of us. As someone once noted, “If God had a refrigerator, our picture would be on it.” Let us constantly be reminded that God loves each of us immensely and considers us special.

REMEMBER THAT ALL PAST SIN IS FORGIVEN THROUGH JESUS (REVELATION 1:5). If we have been baptized and are walking in the light (Rom. 6:3-6; 1 John 1:7), all past sins are no more in God’s eyes. Nothing can happen in our lives that would cause God to say, “I don’t want to forgive them.” God always considers us salvageable.

REMEMBER THE IMPORTANCE OF PROPER THINKING (PHILIPPIANS 4:8; PROVERBS 23:7). It is true – we become what we think about. If we think we are worthless, we will find worthless things to fill our lives with. But the opposite is true, as well. There truly is power in positive thinking! Optimism is the route to proper mental health.

REMEMBER THE IMPORTANCE OF ASSOCIATING WITH THOSE WHO LIFT YOU UP (1 THESSALONIANS 5:11). Fellow Christians who are concerned for us will encourage, uplift, and support us. Spend much time with them and feed off of their joy and zeal. Enthusiasm is infectious.

REMEMBER THAT WITH CHRIST, YOU CAN DO ANYTHING (PHILIPPIANS 4:13). Jesus is the One who can give us the opportunity and power to succeed. Trust fully in Him and His will for your life. Faithfully follow Him.

There is no doubt that poor self-esteem is a major hindrance to spiritual growth. On the other hand, a proper self-esteem promotes spiritual growth. And the neat thing about this is that spiritual growth then enhances greater self-esteem (which paves the way to even more spiritual growth).

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