



When thoughts are about family and get-togethers at this time of year, the preacher wonders what he can do to keep your attention! This morning, I will address the subject of "What to think about." I realized we are all very distracted at this time of year, and I thought it would be a good lesson. Tonight, we focus on "Times and Seasons" in a lesson explaining how people in the Bible regarded special days and events.

**In Need of Prayer:** **Vivian Gerald's** is back! Amen to that. Prayers are requested for the family of **Betty Gayle Shelman**, whose funeral was Saturday. **Wendell Emberton's** knee situation seems to be gradually getting better. Check out the complete prayer list at [www.mtgileadchurch.net](http://www.mtgileadchurch.net)!

**Thanks:** The McHenry family would like to thank Mt. Gilead for all that you have done for us in this holiday season. You all are very kind to us every year and we appreciate it so very much.

**Nursing Home** Today the service is at 3pm. They love to see all who come and visit. The service is short, so you get time to visit and talk with them before or after church.

### Our Public Enemy #1

Our #1 enemy is Satan. His main objective is to cause each of us to lose our soul in the burning fires of Hell. We are warned in 1 Peter 5:8, "Be sober, be vigilant; because your adversary the devil walks about like a roaring lion, seeking whom he may devour." We must constantly watch out for Satan. He is very dangerous! Satan is real. He is not a fictitious character in a red suit, horns, and a tail and carrying a pitchfork. Satan can appear in many different forms. Paul says in 2 Corinthians 11:14-15, "For Satan himself transforms himself into an angel of light. Therefore it is no great thing if his ministers also transform themselves into ministers of righteousness." Satan is a master of disguise. He and his ministers can appear to us so innocently.

Satan's main weapon is the lie. Jesus says concerning Satan in John 8:44, "When he speaks a lie, he speaks from his own

resources, for he is a liar and the father of it." Satan knows all of our weaknesses and how to tempt and deceive us. In Genesis 2:16-17 God told Adam and Eve not to eat of the tree of the knowledge of good and evil or they would die. But in Genesis 3:4 Satan told eve, "You shall not surely die." Satan only added the word "not" to what God said and changed it into a lie.

Satan will get what is due him. Revelation 20:10 says, "The devil, who deceived them, was cast into the lake of fire and brimstone....and they shall be tormented day and night forever and ever." But also notice verse 15, "And anyone not found in the Book of Life was cast into the lake of fire." We must always be prepared in fighting Satan. In our preparation Paul says in Ephesians 6:11 to "Put on the whole armor of God, that you may be able to stand against the wiles of the Devil." In our fight with Satan we are told in James 4:7-8, "Resist the Devil and he will flee from you. Draw near to God and He will draw near to you." God will help us.

By Ron Boatwright

### DECEMBER 24,2017

Announcements:	Steve Carter	
Opening Prayer:	Tony High	
Closing Prayer:	Marshall Isenberg	
Scripture Reading:	Mac Shane Bartley	
Song Leader:	Bobby Harlan	
Head Table:	Mike Starnes	
Wait on Table:	David Wiley	Leroy Gerald's
	Eugene Emberton	Carlene Wheeler
Ushers:	Jim Stoops	Andy Copas
Main Door Greeter:	Ray Cecil Lyon	
Side Door Greeter:	Michael McPherson	
Kitchen Dr Greeter:	Gary Rowland	



**CRACKERS**

**What Must I do?**

- ) Hear the Gospel - Acts 15:7
- ) Believe the Gospel - Mark 16:15,16
- ) Repent of Sins - Acts 17:30
- ) Confess Christ - Rom. 10:9,10
- ) Be Baptized for the Forgiveness of Sins - Acts 2:38

Then, as a Christian we must:

- ) **LIVE FAITHFUL UNTO DEATH - REV. 2:10**

**Birthdays**

Ronnie	Branstetter	12/25
Travis	Page	12/25
Jackie	Cloyd	12/29
Makayla	Emmert	12/30
Becky	Shaw	12/30

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<sup>17</sup> Therefore, in all things He had to be made like *His* brethren, that He might be a merciful and faithful High Priest in things *pertaining* to God, to make propitiation for the sins of the people.

Heb. 2:17 NKJV

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**Sunday:** Bible Study... 9:30am  
 Morning Worship...10:05am  
 Evening Worship... 6pm

**Wednesday:** Bible Study... 6pm

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