

## Tidings From Timothy

**Y**ou: don't want to preach on the home all the time, but that is where the breakdown is. In perusing a recent church website I noticed that some preachers just preach on it all the time. While, I don't think we should do that, it is important because of modern-day movements. We will look at some of those this morning as we study on the "Sanctity of Marriage."

**In Need of Prayer:** Mack Harlan is out of the local hospital. Ila Mae Harrison is back in the nursing home. She is doing better but is still in poor health. A big THANKS to all of you all for collecting and giving \$1250 to Upton funeral home in behalf of the Head family in Clay County. They recently lost their 2<sup>nd</sup> child in 4 months. Also, Shirley Curtis is in the hospital in Bowling Green and has apparently suffered a stroke. Morris Scott had a fall and is recovering.

**VBS:** A big Thank You to all those who helped us make VBS a success this year. I thought things went very smooth and we had many visitors.

***"Look at the birds of the air..."***

Matthew 6:26 - Jesus pointed his disciples to the birds of the air for a lesson dealing with anxiety. He told them that there is no need to be anxious. The birds of the air do not worry because He feeds and cares for them and He certainly will do likewise for us.

I have always enjoyed watching the ducks and geese flying south during the Fall. Wondering just where they might be going and from where they have come. They look so graceful in flight.

There are some valuable lessons to be gained when one thinks of these flights, especially the flight of a flock of geese.

**First: There is strength in numbers** - The scientists who study such things have discovered that by flying in a flock the geese can fly 71% further than if they flew alone! ***"And day by day continuing with one mind...together"*** (Acts 2:46). ***"...not forsaking our own assembling together..."*** (Hebrews 10:25). God knows that we can accomplish more when we work together, pray together, sing together and fellowship together. There is strength in numbers.

**Secondly: Geese help each other** - The familiar V created by the flock will cause a swath of air that gives each successive goose a lift. They will also exchange places and let the lead goose rest. ***"Bear one another's burdens..."*** (Galatians 6:2). We always need to be ready to help each other. We also need to assume the responsibility of leadership from time to time.

**Thirdly: The honking** - The incessant honking of the geese is for orientation and encouragement. ***"Therefore encourage one another and build up one another..."*** (I Thessalonians 5:11).

**Fourthly: Drop-outs** - When one goose has to drop out of rank because of sickness or injury, several others will drop out and stay with the sick or injured goose until it is back to health. ***"Brethren, if a man be overtaken in a trespass, you who are spiritual, restore such a one..."*** (Galatians 6:1). With a spirit of concern and gentleness

God expects us to help restore the spiritual dropout.

Simple yuet powerful lessons from a flock of geese. May we indeed look to the “...birds of the air.”

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*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:

Virginia	Smith	08/01
Shawn	Massingille	08/02
Buell	Abney	08/04
Gary	Bartley	08/04
Paisley	Ford	08/04
Mary	Jackson	08/04
Dalton	Stoops	08/05

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**Verses for the Lord’s Supper: Isaiah 53:4 - 9**

<sup>4</sup> Surely He has borne our griefs And carried our sorrows; Yet we esteemed Him stricken, Smitten by God, and afflicted. <sup>5</sup> But He was wounded for our transgressions, He was bruised for our iniquities; The chastisement for our peace was upon Him, And by His stripes we are healed. <sup>6</sup> All we like sheep have gone astray; We have turned, every one, to his own way; And the LORD has laid on Him the iniquity of us all. <sup>7</sup> He was oppressed and He was afflicted, Yet He opened not His mouth; He was led as a lamb to the slaughter, And as a sheep before its shearers is silent, So He opened not His mouth. <sup>8</sup> He was taken from prison and from judgment, And who will declare His generation? For He was cut off from the land of the living; For the transgressions of My people He was stricken. <sup>9</sup> And they made His grave with the wicked— But with the rich at His death...

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Schedule of Services:

**Sunday:**

9:30am Bible Study...  
10:05am Morning Worship...

6pm  
**Wednesday:**  
7pm

Evening Worship...

Bible Study...