

Tidings From Timothy

Friends and Family Day is always an exciting time for us at Mt. Gilead. It seems that so many faces we have known had to move or have family that we rarely get to see. This day is an opportunity for getting both reacquainted and refreshed by each other's smiles and handshakes. Thank you for worshipping with us today.

I want to thank brother Harrison and Tyler McHenry for filling in for me this past Sunday. The meetings I was in went well with good crowds each service at both congregations.

Both this Morning and tonight I will be preaching from the Sermon on the Mount. The specific text can be read or followed at www.mtgileadchurch.net

Please get a pen as you enter or leave today. These advertise our "Homecoming" and represent a simple gift to you all.

Nursing Home Singing: The next Monroe County Health and Rehab singing will be on Thursday (the 6th) at 6:30pm. Come out and give the residents a blessing by helping them sing praises to God.

In Need of Prayer: Luke Whitehead has been battling pneumonia and has missed much school from this. A good preacher friend of mine, **Ken Miller**, who also has preached here at Mt. Gilead for me – has had to have a leg amputated below the knee. He is diabetic and was suffering from an infection. He is in the Celina hospital. Other people are on the mend or are getting better from recent procedures.

Controversy!

There are those among us today who advocate that we should do whatever it takes to

maintain peace. They suggest that we should not deal with controversial issues, that we should maintain a positive approach and never be guilty of being negative. These same people often reject sound, solid Gospel preachers, because someone had criticized them or falsely accused them of one thing or another. Such people as this would certainly not want either Christ or the apostle Paul to preach from their pulpits because they were constantly engaged in controversy. The life of Christ, as pictured by Matthew, Mark, Luke, and John, is a picture of a man who goes from one confrontation to another. His life was never free from controversy or false accusations.

Certainly all of us wish to be well thought of and well spoken of; but, at the same time, we must never sacrifice the soundness and strictness of God's glorious message. Jesus stated His purpose in Matthew 10:34-36: "Think not that I am come to send peace on earth: I came not to send peace, but a sword. For I am come to set a man at variance against his father, and the daughter against her mother, and the daughter in law against her mother in law. And a man's foes shall be they of his own household." Jesus was well aware that His message would divide family and friends.

Remember also that Jesus had taught in the great Sermon on the Mount that happiness comes from being reproached and persecuted for His sake. *"Blessed are they which are persecuted for righteousness' sake: for theirs is the kingdom of heaven. Blessed are ye, when men shall revile you, and persecute you, and shall say all manner of evil against you falsely, for my sake. Rejoice, and be exceeding glad: for great is your reward in heaven: for so persecuted they the prophets which were before you"* (Matthew 5:10-12). He also said, *"Blessed are ye, when men shall hate you, and when they shall separate you from their company, and shall reproach you, and cast out your name as evil, for the Son of man's sake. {23} Rejoice ye in that day, and leap for joy: for, behold, your reward is great in heaven: for in the like manner did their fathers unto the prophets"* (Luke 6:22-23). He also warns us about being of such a nature and disposition that

all men speak well of us. *“Woe unto you, when all men shall speak well of you! for so did their fathers to the false prophets” (Luke 6:26).*

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Brethren, we are living in an age when soundness and strictness are not popular. We are living in an age when more and more are deserting the “Old Jerusalem Gospel” for after dinner speeches aimed at winning friends and influencing people. That kind of speech will win friends and influence people; but, it will not save a single soul. Paul said THE Gospel is God’s power to save souls. So, brother, preach on! And don’t worry about winning any popularity contest!

--Paul Wilmoth

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:

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| Cary | Cornwell | 09/02 |
| Gerene | Garmon | 09/03 |
| Grayson | Rich | 09/04 |
| Gabriel | Geralds | 09/05 |
| Sara Beth | Walker | 09/05 |
| Jim | Stoops | 09/06 |
| Becky | Wilkerson | 09/06 |
| Mikey | Kerr | 09/09 |

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Verses for the Lord's Supper:

John 11:25 - 27 ²⁵Jesus said unto her, I am the resurrection, and the life: he that believeth in me, though he were dead, yet shall he live: ²⁶And whosoever liveth and believeth in me shall never die. Believest thou this? ²⁷She saith unto him, Yea, Lord: I believe that thou art the Christ, the Son of God, which should come into the world

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Veachel Harlan.....487-5727

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Schedule of Services:

Sunday:

Bible Study...
9:30am
Morning Worship...
10:05am
Evening Worship...
6pm
Wednesday: Bible Study...
7pm

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