

Melbourne Church of Christ

"A family of believers seeking to grow spiritually while sharing Jesus and serving others."

Loving Discipline by Casey McDonald

It is hard to say you love discipline when in the middle of it. Young and old people alike find it hard to appreciate discipline, yet we yearn for knowledge. How do you react when someone critiques your work, when a friend calls you out on something wrong you have done, when a parent spansks you or performs some other form of training. Generally speaking, it is not a pleasant experience. Hopefully, as we acquire years and experience, the reaction to discipline will be funneled into an appreciation for knowledge. Without discipline, knowledge is hard to come by. **"Whoever loves discipline loves knowledge, but he who hates reproof is stupid" (Proverbs 12:1).**

Picture here a Roman taskmaster, usually the slave of the family, whose responsibility was the discipline of the children from around the age of 6-16. This discipline included morality, eating habits, and behavior. The Greek word for "taskmaster" is found in both **1 Corinthians 4:15** and **Galatians 3:24** both with this concept of guiding in the right direction. God wants His children to go in the right direction and has established taskmasters to see to it that we have the opportunity to be led that way. The use in **1 Corinthians** tells of the many "guides" we have in Christ. Paul wrote to the **Galatians** about the Law being the "taskmaster" until Christ came and people could be justified by faith. If people choose to ignore the taskmaster then knowledge is stifled.

Children who were told what they could and could not eat by the taskmaster, in what activities they were allowed to participate, and how to properly behave probably got daunting at times. Like any discipline, though it may not be pleasant at the time, be assured that it is necessary if you love knowledge. So, do not be stupid and hate reproof, but love it.

Dates to Remember

★ Ladies will meet 4th Monday in July @ 6 p.m. bring a finger food

Sermons and bulletins available @
Melbournechurchofchrist.com

Sunday Bible Class 9:15 a.m.
Sunday Worship 10:15 a.m.
Wednesday Evening 6:00 p.m.



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A Place to Belong

Elders

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Family News

- Tamra Brightwell's surgery was successful. Please keep her and her family in your prayers as she fully recovers.
 - Brooklyn Williams surgeries went well. Please keep her in your prayers as she recovers
 - Brandy Watson's surgery went well. Please pray for her as she recovers
 - Cathy Humphrey is still not doing well. Please keep her in your prayers as she is still in the hospital.
- * Communion is gluten-free and travel communion is available.

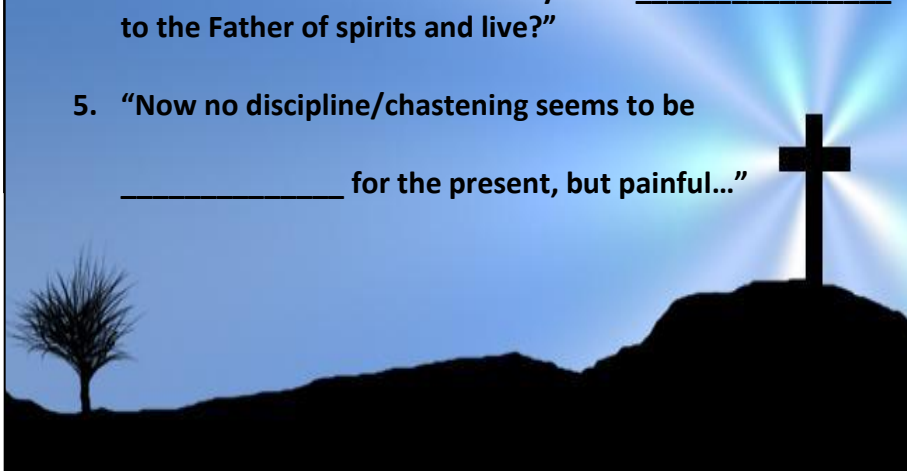
	TODAY	NEXT SUNDAY
SONG LEADER	TBA	TBA
OPENING PRAYER	TBA	TBA
CLOSING PRAYER	TBA	TBA



Self-Served

Bible Quiz: Hebrews 12:3-11

1. "For consider Him who endured such _____ from sinners against Himself..."
2. "You have not yet resisted to _____, striving against sin."
3. According to verse 8, if you are without discipline/chastening you are _____.
4. "Shall we not much more readily be in _____ to the Father of spirits and live?"
5. "Now no discipline/chastening seems to be _____ for the present, but painful..."



Prayer List

Military: Derek Love, Tyler Talkington, A.J. Talkington

Officers: Steve & Sherry Davidson, Josh Morehead, Jamie Irvin, Tyler Webb, Caeden Wolfe, Blake Johnson

Health: Ted Kidd	Richard Gunter	Donnie Vest	Joanna Smith
Joe Guiltner	Dan Clark	Wilma Cooper	Wayne Crosby
Tracy Thomas	Brooke Pritchard	Troy Gaston	James Nicholson
Bill Roland	Hayden Phillips	Donny Smith	Joanne Weston
Bill Wiseman	Debbie Nicholson	Helen King	Phil Haagenon
Mary Kosmitis	Tommy Washington	Jim Fowler	Shirley Lewis
Diane Owens	Ivy Jo Slade	Jeff Young	Lynn Hicks
Justin Teague	Charlotte Cooper	Cecilia Broughton	Sue Campbell
Arlene Davidson		Chip & Regina Master	Deborah Halcom
Dorothy Teague		Ted & Sanyia Austin	J.B. & Wanda Dill

Nursing Home: Debbie Hoskinds, Holly Stroud, Emma Jean Cooper

July Birthdays

Sam Cooper 9 th	Tommy Washington 10 th	Ryan Lloyd 14 th
Davis Love 19 th	Landon Kimble 21 st	Barbara Watson 22 nd
Bryan Phillips 25 th	Larry Young 25 th	Katie Gilbert 27 th
Drew Love 27 th	Mary Bone 31 st	

July Anniversaries

Jim & Lisa Cooper 10th
 Jerry & Dianna Owens 11th

Job 5:17, "Behold, how happy is the man whom God reproves, so do not despise the discipline of the Almighty."

James 1:2-4, "Consider it all joy, my brethren, when you encounter various trials, knowing that the testing of your faith produces endurance. And let endurance have its perfect result, so that you may be perfect and complete, lacking in nothing."