

Melbourne Church of Christ

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

Your Example Matters

by Andy Baker

Scripture says that God is in control, so how are we to really live?

We live without compromise. Daniel and company are again and again pitted against the godless, immoral practices of culture versus godly living. Compromise was lurking around every corner. What do we say when tempted by our own immoral culture to let holy behavior and thinking slide (see 1 Pet. 1:13-16)?

We are to live with out-loud convictions. Daniel and his friends didn't compromise because they had settled convictions, namely, "God alone is great and worthy of our worship and service" (see Dan. 3:16-18) How often do we speak our convictions? If we did speak them more often, would we be less cavalier about things like missing Bible classes or worship for personal pursuits?

We live with citizenship. Daniel, comes back to the sovereignty of God in establishing and ruling over a kingdom that will transcend all other earthly kingdoms (Dan. 2:44). We may have American passports, but our citizenship will not change based on an earthly government system. Our King is and will remain on His throne!

We live with counsel. How Daniel ministered to those around him was by showing the kindness of God to people who desperately needed guidance (see 2:27-29; 3:16-18; 4:19-27; 5:17-28). We live and interact with people every day who desperately need someone, like Daniel, to offer godly counsel and guidance. People want to know, like Darius, "has your God, whom you serve continually, been able to deliver you" (6:20)?

If God is, and He has, and He still rules, shouldn't we effectively counsel those seeking to seek Him while He may be found?

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Family News

- Diane Owens is struggling with blood clots and having further tests ran. Please keep her and Jerry in your prayers.
- Billy Beebe
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- Shirley Lewis is battling throat cancer. Please keep her and her family in your prayers.
- * Communion is gluten-free and travel communion is available.

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SONG LEADER	TBA	TBA
OPENING PRAYER	TBA	TBA
CLOSING PRAYER	TBA	TBA



Self-Served

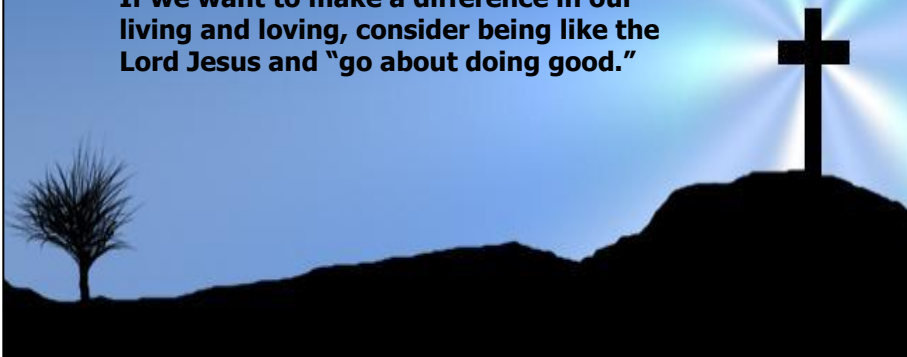
Doing Good

By Bill Dillon

Peter says that Jesus “went about doing good,” in Acts 10:38. Jesus spent His life serving others and extending grace.

Have you ever heard of a “complainer” doing good for others by complaining? Have you ever heard of a “gossip” who served others with his/her gossip? How much good has a liar ever done by lying? How many people have benefited from hostility from angry people? How many have found joy in Christ through slander from one who maligns the character of another? What about the disagreeable and negative person who seldom finds good in anything? How does this show up in the life of Christ? How does this *not* show up in Christ’s life?

If we want to make a difference in our living and loving, consider being like the Lord Jesus and “go about doing good.”



Prayer List

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

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

Health:	Joyce Newbrey	Donnie Vest	Joanna Smith
Joe Guiltner	Dan Clark	Wilma Cooper	Wayne Crosby
Tracy Thomas	Brooke Partin	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	Dale Smith
Buddy James	Ivy Jo Slade	Jeff Young	Andrew Weaver
Johnny Guthrie	Charlotte Cooper	Cecilia Broughton	Sue Campbell
Bob & Arlene Davidson	Chip & Regina Masters		Earl Stephens
Dorothy Teague	Ted & Sanyia Austin	Ted Kidd	Richard Gunter
Diane Owens	Shirley Lewis		

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

April Birthdays

Betty Brightwell 2 nd	Tyler Kelly 4 th	Donna Hill 7 th
Derek Love 8 th	Imodean Webb 9 th	Cleve Weaver 12 th
Melissa Morrison 14 th	Nancy Richardson 15 th	Rhett Morrison 17 th
Son Lamb 18 th	Francis Gillihan 22 nd	Doug Sipe 25 th
Michelle Smith 26 th	Kenya Wyatt 29 th	Dana Ingram 30 th

April Anniversaries

Joe & Dana Ingram 17th

Galatians 6:9-10, “Let us not lose heart in doing good, for in due time we will reap if we do not grow weary. So then, while we have opportunity, let us do good to *all* people, and especially to those who are of the household of the faith.”