

Melbourne Church of Christ

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

The Christian and Sacrifice

by Eddie Parrish

The religion of Jesus Christ is rooted in sacrifice. Recall the words of John 3:16 and take note of the sacrifice that God made for us. "For God so loved the world that He gave His only begotten Son, that whoever believes in Him should not perish but have everlasting life." In 2 Corinthians 8:9 Paul called attention to the personal sacrifice that Jesus made, "For you know the grace of our Lord Jesus Christ, that though He was rich, yet for your sakes He became poor, that you through His poverty might become rich."

Our Father and our Savior were willing to give up that which was precious for our eternal good. Therefore, the Christian who is unwilling to sacrifice things of value for the good of God's cause is not living in harmony with the most basic of Christian principles.

One of the most interesting events in the Old Testament takes place in 2 Samuel 24. David, at the command of God, had traveled to the home of Araunah the Jebusite (vv. 18-19). David's goal upon arrival was to purchase Araunah's threshing floor from him, build an altar on it, and make a sacrifice to God that would bring an end to a severe plague that God was using to punish Israel (vv. 20-21).

When Araunah learned why David had come, he insisted that David accept some oxen and the threshing floor as gifts (vv. 22-23). The king responded with these words, "No, but I will surely buy it from you for a price; nor will I offer burnt offerings to the LORD my God with that which costs me nothing" (v. 24).

The greatness of God and the goodness of God are to develop within us a desire to sacrifice for God. May we all prayerfully consider this as we contemplate our contributions to the work of the Lord, as we walk with the Lord.

Dates to Remember

★ Ladies will meet 4th Monday in April @ 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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Family News

- Spring cleaning day is set for April 18th at 3:30pm at the building. Please get in touch with Betty Brightwell for further details.
- Ladies Day will be April 23rd Registration is from 9-9:30am and the program ends with a salad luncheon.
- David Clark is in Pioneer Nursing Home and can have visitors. Please keep him and Joyce in your prayers.
- * Communion is gluten-free and travel communion is available.

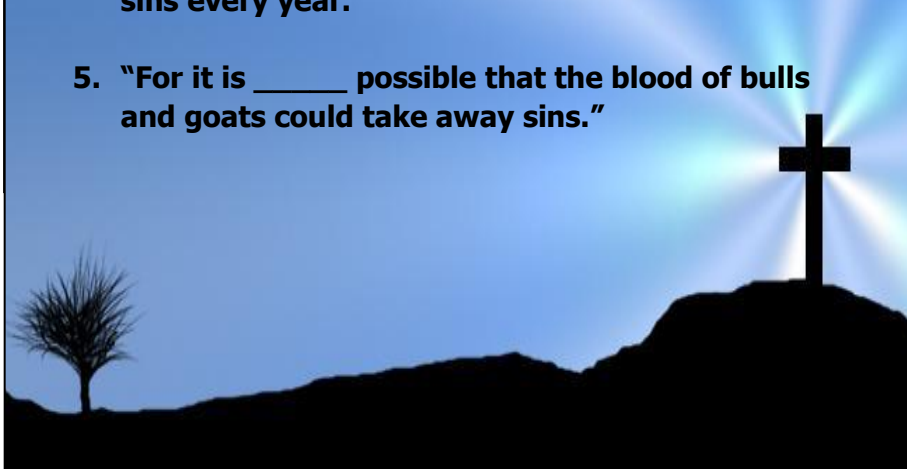
	TODAY	NEXT SUNDAY
SONG LEADER	TBA	TBA
OPENING PRAYER	TBA	TBA
CLOSING PRAYER	TBA	TBA



Self-Served

Bible Quiz: Hebrews 10:1-4

1. "For the law, having a _____ of the good things to come..."
2. True or false: The Old Testament sacrifice were offered continually.
3. True or false: The sacrifices of the Old Testament Law of Moses made one perfect.
4. "But in those sacrifices there is a _____ of sins every year."
5. "For it is _____ possible that the blood of bulls and goats could take away sins."



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: Ted Kidd	Joyce Newbrey	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 Haagenson
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
Bob & Arlene Davidson	Chip & Regina Master	Richard Gunter	Deborah Halcom
Dorothy Teague	Ted & Sanyia Austin	J.B. & Wanda Dill	

Nursing Home: 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

Hebrews 7:26-28, "For it was fitting for us to have such a high priest, holy, innocent, undefiled, separated from sinners and exalted above the heavens; who does not need daily, like those high priests, to offer up sacrifices, first for His own sins and then for the sins of the people, because this Jesus did once for all when He offered up Himself. For the Law appoints men as high priests who are weak, but the word of the oath, which came after the Law, appoints a Son, made perfect forever."