

Properly Honoring God

By Mike Riley

Have we ever thought about how we honor God in our everyday living? In this short study, let's list some biblical ways in which we may properly honor God:

1) We honor God when we worship Him in songs of praise as He desires (Ephesians 5:19; Colossians 3:16; Hebrews 13:15).

2) We honor God by "ordering our conduct aright" according to the instructions of God's word (Psalm 50:23). Jesus further expressed this concept when He said: "If anyone serves Me, let him follow Me; and where I am, there My servant will be also. If anyone serves Me, him My Father will honor" (John 12:26).

3) We honor God by being good stewards of His blessings. Let us note what the Proverb writer tells us in Proverbs 3:9: "Honor the Lord with your possessions, And with the firstfruits of all your increase."

This passage teaches us to honor God with the material means He has provided (cf. 2 Corinthians 9:5-8; 1 Corinthians 16:1-2).

4) We are to honor God with the talents He has equipped us with: "Having then gifts differing according to the grace that is given to us, let us use them: if prophecy, let us prophesy in proportion to our faith; or ministry, let us use it in our ministering; he who teaches, in teaching; he who exhorts, in exhortation; he who gives, with liberality; he who leads, with diligence; he who shows mercy, with cheerfulness" (Romans 12:6-8).

Properly honoring God with our lives, is a day-to-day, moment-by-moment process. In every decision-making situation, we must ask ourselves, "What would honor the Lord now?" Then we need to act accordingly, as the inspired Scriptures direct us.

If we faithfully and properly honor God, we can rest assured that He will honor us with the glory of His salvation (Psalm 62:7; cf. Jeremiah 3:23; Psalm 3:8), and bless us with every spiritual blessing "in Christ" (Ephesians 1:3).



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Sunday Morning Bible Classes - 9:30 AM
Sunday Morning Worship - 10:30 AM
Sunday Evening Worship - 5:00 PM
Wednesday Evening Classes - 6:00 PM.

Welcome Visitors

If you are seeking a church home, we hope that you will consider joining with us. We are a growing congregation, dedicated to worshiping in truth and spirit. Please fill out the Visitor's Card and place it in the collection plate!

Those to Serve

Today

Announcements- Wayne Fowler

Opening prayer- Rick Cook

Communion- Paul Simpson

Closing Prayer- Damien Miller

Sermon- Don DeLukie

July 14th

Announcements- Lyle Russell

Opening prayer- Paul Simpson

Communion- Jerry McDonald

Closing Prayer- Phillip Simmons

Sermon- Don DeLukie

Announcements

— **Vacation Bible School**: We will be hosting a VBS the morning of July 20th. More details to come.

— **Sterlington Ladies Day**: We will be having a Ladies Day on August 10th. More details will be announced soon.

— **Question & Answer Series**: Our next Question & Answer Series will be when enough questions are collected. Give your questions to Don.

— **Children's Home Collection**: Our congregation is collecting items for the Children's Home in Paragould, AR. Collection boxes are by the nursery. A list of needed items is in the foyer.



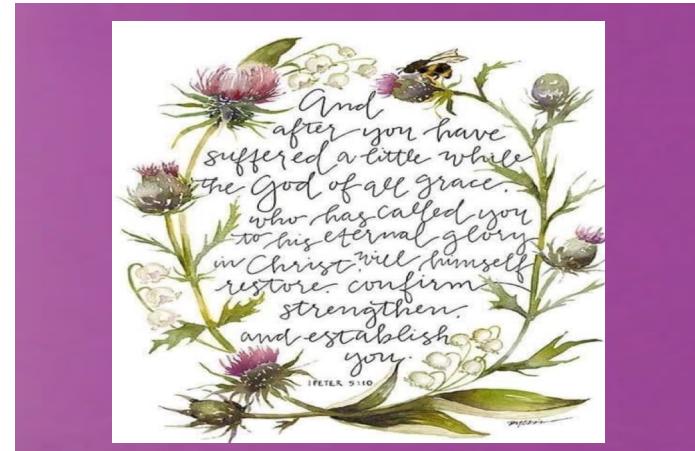
Please Pray For:

Ronnie White, Jerry McDonald, Carol Granger, Brigg DeLukie, Charlotte Martin, Kathy Gilbert, Ruth Parks, Michael Grenfell, Junior Looney, Tommy Franklin, Phillip Simmons, Ed Haltom, Roger Love, Louvenia Dickson.

Bereaved: Families of David Reed, Jeanie Hollis Taylor, Robert Chisley, Barbara Traywick, Walt Henson, Nancy Marsh, Trisha Muse.

Needing Long-Term Prayers:

Arthur Binford, Dan Ross Jr, Ronnie & Dena White, Joanne Randolph, Bettye Flowers, Linda Garris, Sharon White-Ross, James Johnson, Bobby Barker, Ronnie Tatum, Cindy Smith, Renee Gee, Bobby Simmons, Terrance Dawson, Jamie Ross.



July birthdays

- 3 - Carol Granger
- 4 - Jansen Chisley
- 5 - Lilly Delaney
- 6 - Paul Simpson
- 6 - Mary Wyatt
- 9 - David Repond
- 12 - Oddie Cameron
- 16 - Angelec Brannon
- 18 - Phillip Simmons
- 19 - Debbie Cook
- 20 - Ronnie Hayes
- 22 - Ethel Ross
- 23 - Randy Manning
- 27 - Donna Binford

July Anniversaries

- 21 - Billy and Carol Granger
- 28 - Wayne and Dana Fowler
- 30 - Don and Jean DeLukie

