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"Let us hear the conclusion of the whole matter: Fear God, and keep His commandments: for this is the whole duty of man."-Ecclesiastes 12:13



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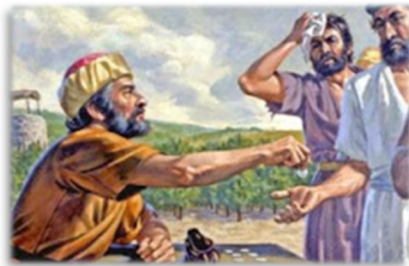
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SERVICE SCHEDULE

SUNDAY BIBLE CLASS - 9:30 AM

SUNDAY WORSHIP - 10:30 AM

WEDNESDAY - 7:00 PM



Workers in the Vineyard

By Phil McIntosh



We might be familiar with such terms as *minimum wage*, *salary*, *paycheck*, or some variation, but we likely are not familiar with a "day's wage." If someone were to ask you what you "make" you likely would respond (if you were so

kind as to oblige them that information) with your annual gross income. I doubt many of us have ever sat down taken the time to figure and factor what we would even make in a single day. In Jesus' time it was slightly different. In a few places throughout the Biblical text, we see the word *denarius* and it is said to be equivalent to the wages one would accrue for a day's work (***Matt. 20:2***). The Roman denarius had its beginning in approximately 211 B.C. It was a replacement for the lumps of bronze that were previously used as exchanges of some form of coinage or monies. The Roman denarius would have had a figure of the Caesar on one side with an inscription of his name and a seated woman on the other, possibly representing Rome, with an inscription of "Pontifex Maximus" (perhaps serving as a reminder to the people that they owed their wealth to Rome according to Everett Ferguson "Backgrounds of Early Christianity). This would have been the image Jesus requested in ***Matthew 22:19*** when He asked whose image the coin bore. There is a denarius of that exact sort in the British Museum for Caesar Tiberius, who ruled from A.D. 14-37 (exactly the period of Jesus' time on this earth).

It is the text in Matthew 20 that we'll study briefly. Why would Jesus have used the denarius as a figure in this parable? For all intents and purposes, His listeners would have understood a "day's wage" well. It was a common denomination of money that was used to count for even large needs (i.e., Philip's comment in ***John 6:7*** that they could not even feed the crowd of over five thousand people with "two hundred denarii" worth of bread). We can also glean from the parable of the vineyard workers the fairness of Jesus as Lord through this discussion related to the denarius. Surely the last portion of the parable indicates as much, for Jesus says, 'Friend, I am doing you no wrong. Did you not agree with me for a denarius?' (***Matt. 20:13b***). Let me though also suggest to you another form in which the progression of the parable could indicate fairness. In the Roman world, the rich were willing to donate a great deal of monies to the public works and to various other needs but were guilty of not paying a fair wage to their workers. For evidence of such, note the warning to the rich in ***James 5:1-5***. Jesus, of whom *fair* is nothing short of a gross understatement regarding what He offers mankind, would then be speaking of a landowner who gives what is right and is just.

Read with me the parable and then we'll discuss meaning and application:

"For the kingdom of heaven is like a landowner who went out early in the morning to hire laborers for his vineyard. ² Now when he had agreed with the laborers for a denarius a day, he sent them into his vineyard. ³ And he went out about the third hour and saw others standing idle in the marketplace, ⁴ and said to them, 'You also go into the vineyard, and whatever is right I will give you.' So they went. ⁵ Again he went out about the sixth and the ninth hour, and did likewise. ⁶ And about the eleventh hour he went out and found others standing idle, and said to them, 'Why have you been standing here idle all day?' ⁷ They said to him, 'Because no one hired us.' He said to them, 'You also go into the vineyard, and whatever is right you will receive.' ⁸ "So when evening had come, the owner of the vineyard said to his steward, 'Call the laborers and

give them their wages, beginning with the last to the first.’⁹ And when those came who were hired about the eleventh hour, they each received a denarius.¹⁰ But when the first came, they supposed that they would receive more; and they likewise received each a denarius.¹¹ And when they had received it, they complained against the landowner,¹² saying, ‘These last men have worked only one hour, and you made them equal to us who have borne the burden and the heat of the day.’¹³ But he answered one of them and said, ‘Friend, I am doing you no wrong. Did you not agree with me for a denarius?’¹⁴ Take what is yours and go your way. I wish to give to this last man the same as to you.¹⁵ Is it not lawful for me to do what I wish with my own things? Or is your eye evil because I am good?’¹⁶ So the last will be first, and the first last. For many are called, but few chosen.” -**Matthew 20:1-16**

How might one interpret this parable? Remember that we have chapter markings in our Bibles, but Jesus is clearly (indicated by the word “therefore”) continuing a discussion He has yet to finish. If you turn back one chapter, you’ll note that He has just finished speaking with the rich young ruler who was unwilling to give up his riches to follow the Lord. Jesus then said it was difficult for the rich to enter the kingdom of Heaven (*Matt. 19:23-24*). Those listening to Jesus wanted to know then who could be saved. Jesus’ answer to them in that chapter, and spilling over into chapter 20, was: whoever was willing to respond to the call and do what was requested of them. You might also remember that the Jews were going to have difficulty accepting Gentile converts into the church in the coming years. One might be Jew, Greek, German, American, male, female, rich, poor, young, or old; but so long as they believe in the Lord, answer the call to work in His vineyard, and persevere until the end of the day (*Heb. 10:38-39*), the same reward awaits all of God’s servants. It is clear in the Bible that one cannot “earn” salvation, nor could he ever attempt to tell God he is “owed” anything (*Lk. 17:10*). However, God’s grace and gift of eternal salvation to us also requires us to give of ourselves, to sacrifice whatever in the world might be holding us back from a Christian life, and to work faithfully in the service and obedience of our Lord in the vineyard until the “end of the day” comes (*Rev. 2:10*).

UPCOMING ACTIVITIES



Join the fun at our Youth Lock-In on July 29th, from 7:00 pm-7:00 am, in the fellowship hall. There will be lessons, singing, games, & junk food. Invite your friends!
If any members would like to help chaperone, please see Gaylen or Phil for details.

**"AND THIS IS THE
VICTORY THAT HAS
OVERCOME THE
WORLD-OUR FAITH."
(1 JOHN 5:4)**



CHAMPION VBS EMPOWERED BY JESUS!

**Join us for VBS
July 31st - August 3rd**

- ⇒ **TIMES 6:00-7:30 PM**
- ⇒ **THERE WILL BE SINGING**
- ⇒ **CLASSES WITH ACTIVITIES**
- ⇒ **REFRESHMENTS**

SIGN-UP SHEETS ARE IN THE FOYER FOR HELP



PICTURES: If you do not see your picture on the picture board, please see Zack Petties or Victoria Polanco to have one taken.

July Nursery Schedule

3-Josephine & Vicky	Ladies-If you would
10-Beverly & Suncha	like to be on the nursery
17-Brenda & Nichole	list, please contact
24-Natalie & Amanda	the office.
31-Vicky & Aaronique	Thank you!
Aug.7-Gayle & Josephine	

July Cleaning Calendar

- May be done any time before the next Sunday.
- Please consult with your team leader for further questions.

July 3-TEAM LEE

Lee
Natalie
Rufus
Derek
Ken
Tim

10-TEAM ZACK

Zack
Amanda
Diedre
Paul
Ruby

17-TEAM ROGER

Patrick
Brenda
Roger
Linda

24-TEAM JAMES S.

Kim-Marie
Xavier
Jaden
Kingsford

31-TEAM PHIL

Michelle
Beverly
Josephine
Yvonne
Lois
Marcella
Suncha

Thank you!

ORDER OF SERVICE

SUNDAY, JULY 17, 2022:

- ♦ANNOUNCEMENTS: REGGIE BASS
- ♦1ST PRAYER: ZACK PETTIES
- ♦SONG: PAUL PORTLEY
- ♦SCRIPTURE READING: GIANNI GRIFFITH
- ♦SONG: PAUL PORTLEY
- ♦SERMON: PHIL MCINTOSH
- ♦INVITATION SONG: PAUL PORTLEY
- ♦SONG BEFORE COMMUNION: PAUL PORTLEY
- ♦COMMUNION:
ANDRÉ PETTAWAY & IVAN MCINTOSH
- ♦SONG: PAUL PORTLEY
- ♦OFFERING:
ANDRÉ PETTAWAY & IVAN MCINTOSH
- ♦CLOSING SONG: PAUL PORTLEY
- ♦CLOSING PRAYER: LEE FISHER
- ♦AUDIO/VISUAL: PATRICK SELLERS
- ♦SECURITY: ROGER DEEM & ANDRÉ PETTAWAY
- ♦NURSERY:
BRENDA SELLERS & NICHOLE WILLIAMS



SCRIPTURE READING

“A Tale of Two People”

Luke 6:46-49

*“⁴⁶ And why call ye me, Lord, Lord, and do not the things which I say?
⁴⁷ Whosoever cometh to me, and heareth my sayings, and doeth them, I will shew you to whom he is like:
⁴⁸ He is like a man which built an house, and digged deep, and laid the foundation on a rock: and when the flood arose, the stream beat vehemently upon that house, and could not shake it: for it was founded upon a rock.
⁴⁹ But he that heareth, and doeth not, is like a man that without a foundation built an house upon the earth; against which the stream did beat vehemently, and immediately it fell; and the ruin of that house was great.”*

JULY BIRTHDAYS

HAPPY



- 1 - LETTY BURGOS
- 4 - LINDA DEEM
- 23 - MARCELLA WILLIAMS
- 24 - LEE FISHER
- 26 - YVONNE HARDIMAN

BIRTHDAY!

HAPPY 58TH ANNIVERSARY
TO BUCK & MARTHA CHAFIN ON JULY 25TH!

NEWS FROM THE PEWS

PLEASE REMEMBER OUR MILITARY & D.O.D. CIVILIANS IN YOUR PRAYERS:

- Jessica Rogers is currently deployed to Kuwait.
- Tracy Wilson's son, Zane is in the class portion of flight school.
- Kingsford Asare is training until August.

PLEASE KEEP THESE MEMBERS & LOVED ONES IN YOUR PRAYERS:

- Tim Matter has surgery scheduled for this week, but requests prayers that he might pass the kidney stone before surgery is necessary. He's in pain and on meds.
- Bill Rawlings will be having cataract surgery this week.
- Cheryl Flores was admitted into the hospital last Sunday evening for heart testing. She received a good report with no complications.
- Donna Hines is scheduled for surgery on Thursday.
- Zack Petties' sister, Sheena, is recovering from Covid.
- Bruce & Joyce Brown are negative for Covid and feeling better.
- Mary Lou Daines is requesting prayers for David Burch, who is having complications with Covid.

CONTINUED PRAYERS FOR OUR SICK & HOME-

BOUND: Michelle McIntosh's cousin (Nikki), Gary & Shirl Foster, Rodney Carter's mother-in-law (Betty Martin), Joyce Brown's sister (Janet Simmons), Donna Hines' niece (April), Willard Jack Dunn, Marcella Williams, Wayne Ellis, David Hamrick, Tracy Wilson's mother (Ruth Hyde), Temesha Lawal's mother (Cassandra Watson) & step-mother (Stephanie), Jim Dukes & his niece's husband, Joyce Brown's nephew (Jon-Jon Simmons), Martha Chafin, Beverly Williams' aunt (Dorothy Sauls) & neighbor (Nina Rudnick), Tim Matter & his brother (Michael), James Garner, Josephine Spear & her sister (Rose) & friend (Iris), Linda Deem's nephew, Tanja & Tiffany Arch, Julia Jones' cousin (Larry Sanford) & daughter (Judy Seales), Amanda Petties' brother (Anthony Allen) & sister (Jewel), Rufus Brown, Marcella Williams' brother-in-law (Johnnie Milford), Shirl Foster, Martha Bell's sister, Julie Odum & her mother (Sharon Schmidt), Nada Miller, Lois Brown, Cheryl Flores' brother-in-law (Raymond Flores), Billye Hughes, Mary McAnally's sister (Ann Ahrens), Gladys Driver, Archie & Jessie Turner, and Linda Walts. Please keep these members & loved ones in your prayers as they battle health problems.

SCHOOL SUPPLY DRIVE: We are collecting school supplies through July 24. These items can be placed in the foyer.

ATTENDED NURSERY: Ladies-The nursery schedule is posted inside the bulletin and in the foyer. If you would like to be added to the nursery list, please contact the office.

SUNDAY YOUTH DEVOTIONAL: Our Youth Devotional scheduled for this evening has been postponed until August 14th.

Our Speaker Today Is Phil McIntosh



*We want to especially welcome our visitors!
If you are visiting, please fill out an attendance card
from the back of the pew directly in front of you, and
drop it in offering box as you leave. Thank you for
your visit and please join us again!*

BIBLE STUDIES AND COUNSELING OFFERED

- ⇒ Bible Studies With Our Preacher Or Elders
- ⇒ Free Bible Correspondence
- ⇒ Free Marriage And Family Counseling

*To our visitors—Thank you for being with us
today, and please come again!*

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☞JULY CALENDAR☞

- 24-School Supply Drive ends.
- 20-Singing Class at 6:00, in the auditorium.
- 29-Youth Lock-In 7:00 pm-7:00 am, in the fellowship hall.
- 31-Aug.3 Vacation Bible School, from 6:00-7:30.

☞AUGUST CALENDAR☞

- 6-Men's Breakfast, 8:30, in the fellowship hall.
- 7-Fellowship Luncheon following morning service (Group #2 will have kitchen duty-Judy Wall, Creta Bales, Linda Deem, Cheryl Flores, Yvonne Hardiman, & Josephine Spear).
- 12-P.E.P. Night, 6:00, in the fellowship hall.
- 14-Youth Devotional, 5:00, in the fellowship hall.
- 17,24,31-Ladies Bible Class, 10:00, in the fellowship hall.