

Welcome



Laings, Ohio Church of Christ, September 24, 2017

Those who will be serving in our worship today:

Announcements	Jim McGuire
Song Leader	Roger Starr
Scripture Reader	Derrick Landefeld
Opening Prayer	Don Thompson
Sermon	Andrew Beasley
Lord's Table Leader	Jason Workman
Server	Cooper Thompson
Server	Tom Frye
Server	Charlie Tomlin
Closing Prayer	Darin Landefeld

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Sunday
Bible Classes 9:45 AM
Worship Services
10:30 AM & 6:00 PM
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Bible Classes 7:00 PM
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Today's Sermons

A.M.
"Truth in a Truth-less
World"

Scripture Reading AM
John 8:31-32

P.M.
"That His Spirit May Be
Saved"

Scripture Reading PM
1st Corinthians 5:1-7

You are invited back to all our services!!

A Mirror for the Soul

“For if anyone is a hearer of the word and not a doer, he is like a man beholding his natural face in a mirror, for he beholdeth himself, and goeth away, and straightway forgetteth what manner of man he was. But he that looketh into the perfect law, the law of liberty, and so continueth, being not a hearer that forgetteth, but a doer that worketh, this man shall be blessed in his doing” - James 1:23-25.

A mirror is probably one of the most honest things there is. It doesn't lie. Every time one looks into a mirror there is an accurate reflection of exactly what we are. About the only way to make a mirror lie is distort it. Even then, the reflection is not flattering.

James says looking into the Bible one can see self in his natural face. This means bare bones, nothing doctored up. An actor can be made up to appear very different than natural, but that become hypocrisy. The word hypocrite is an old word for an actor, one who pretends to be someone else. The Bible rips away the veneer of pretense and lays bare what we are in God's view.

The Mirror of the Soul reveals the origin of the soul (Genesis 2:7). It equally tells us the great value of the soul (Matt. 16:26). The Mirror God gives us also shows us our personal defects and shortcomings (Gal. 5:19-21; 2 Tim. 3:1-5). Most important of all it shows us the eternal destiny of the soul (Matt. 25:46).

The mirrors we use sometimes get smudged and dirty. Good housekeepers will clean them with diligence. A dirty mirror tends to blur our vision of what we actually look like. When clean, a better an accurate image is reflected. The word of God is ever clean and pure. (Psa. 12:6). It never fails to show us what the Lord thinks of us.

James pictures one who, after seeing self in God's mirror, instantly walks away and forgets what was seen. The tenses show that one takes a look (once) then instantly ignores it, and continues to avoid the mirror. The only one blessed is the honest person who sees self as God sees him, makes whatever corrections are needed, and does what God would have him do. Take a good look at yourself in the Bible. What do you see? What does God see?

Happy Birthday

September 25th

Cooper McCaslin

September 26th

Alvin Thompson

September 28th

Paul Turner

September 29th

Anthony Thompson

September 30th

Carter Owen Lee Truax

Gospel Meeting

September 24th - September 29th

Hosted by the Richfork church of Christ

Speaker: Kim McFarland

For the Record:

A.M. Sun. 9/17	58
P.M. Sun. 9/17	32
Wed. 9/20	20
Offering: \$1152.00	

In Need of Prayer

Carol Frye-James Cancer Center, transplant recovery
Millie Haney-Shirley McCaslin's sister, cancer
Marsha Keevert- care center, broken ankle and fractured kneecap, comes home Saturday.
Pat McGuire - US Navy.
David Landefeld - home, fluid around heart and lungs.
Carol Prout - OVMC
Landon Beasley - Andrew's son, surgery October 2nd.
Charlie Tomlin - home, drain for infection
Please update Andrew about those on the prayer list. They will be deleted after 4 weeks if there are no updates.

F.Y.I.

- CCA (Covenant Christian Academy) is having a Spaghetti Dinner on September 24th from 11am to 2pm at the Woodsfield church of Christ fellowship building. Cost is donation only and take out will be available.
- We rejoice that we had two responses to the invitation last Sunday! Certainly we want to continue praying for Brian and Coleman Tomlin as they face life's struggles.
- Don't forget that our Gospel Meeting with David Kenney is coming up on October 1st through the 5th.

Please note the last person out of the church building please turn off all the lights. Thank you!