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No One Like Jesus

"...only Sovereign, the King of Kings and Lord of lords" (1 Timothy 6:15)

Speaking to one of his officers who did not believe in the deity of Jesus, Napoleon Bonaparte said:

"I know men, and I tell you that Jesus Christ is not a mere man. Superficial minds see a resemblance between Him and the founders of empires and the gods of their religions. That resemblance does not exist. There is between Christianity and the forms of pagan worship the distance of infinity.

"Everything in Christ astonishes me. His spirit overawes me, and His will confounds me. He commands us to believe and gives no reason besides His own inspiring claim, 'I AM GOD.'

"Between Him and others in this world there is no possible comparison. He is truly a Being by Himself. His sentiments, the truths which He announced, and His manner of life are unexplainable.

"Philosophers who try to solve the mysteries of the universe by their empty dissertations are fools!...Christ...speaks with authority. The closer I come, the more carefully I examine Him; everything is above me...and has a grandeur which overpowers....I search in vain in history to find one similar to Jesus or anything which can approach the Gospel He preached. Everything about Him is extraordinary.

"He asks for that for which a philosopher may seek in vain at the hands of his friends....He asks for the human heart; and He will have it entirely to Himself.

One day every knee will bow before Jesus and admit that He is Lord of lords, the only Sovereign who is King of kings.

As Napoleon so accurately observed, *"If Socrates reappeared, we would do him honor, but if Jesus Christ came into the room, we would fall down and worship Him."* He does ask for the human heart. And His request is unconditional. Only Christ is Lord of all, King of all, and Savior of all. There is truly no one like Him.

—Al

Other News

-**Priscilla Dick**, former member, is dealing with cancer but reports that she is feeling better. She has completed her chemotherapy.

-**Bill Pierce**, father of **Carol Kizer** (wife of Nelson), has been placed in Smoky Mtn. Rehab Center in PFs. Please keep this wonderful family in prayer.

-**Debbie Odom**, mother of Tricia Hayes, has been diagnosed with leukemia with only months to live. Please keep Tricia and her mother and family in prayer.

-**Raja** (our missionary in India) requests prayers for his father who is currently hospitalized with possible stomach tumors.



-The ladies of the GSM church are making **Christmas Care Bags** to be distributed by the police and fire departments for children and teens in the PF area who need a little hope. Tracey, Melanie and Tina are coordinating this effort. A list of items needed is on the ladies' bulletin board and table outside the sound room. We appreciate all the good work being done by our ladies.

Online Worship: Online worship and Bible class may be accessed at www.greatsmokymountainschurchofchrist.com.

Food Contact For Month: Tracey Kihlberg

Elder Contact for Month: Marc Hayes, 732-608-4248

Sermon Topics: A.M.- "Compromising With The Devil" (Al)
P.M.- "The Betrayal of Jesus" (Al)

Archived sermons and Al's Blogs available at albehel.com

Our Known Sick

-**June McGowen**, is in Pigeon Forge Nursing Home. Her condition has deteriorated significantly over the past few months.

-**Linda Valentine**— battling cancer.

-**Anna Ruth Franklin**— Prayers for several health issues.

Friends and Family News/Prayer Requests

-**Tracey's mom, Judy Pitt**— We are happy to report that she is now cancer free! We give God thanks!

-**Ronnie Pitt**, Tracey's dad, is being treated for A-Fib. Their address is: 313 Monticello Rd., Franklin, TN 37064

-**Treavor Hayes**, 7 year old grandson of Marc and Sue is receiving treatment through a port which has been installed to make his treatment easier. He has a tumor on optic nerve. Please keep hm in prayer.

-**George Tolliver's sister, Mossie Simpson**, is battling COPD. She is staying with her son. Prayers still needed.

-Shannon Wade requests prayers for **Harley Tucker**, who is a 24 year old friend of their family. She just started chemo for breast cancer. She lives in MS.

-**Rick Cliett** is battling bladder cancer. He is receiving chemo therapy and is now in the hospital suffering with severe pain. Please keep Rick and Ginny in your prayers. Rick is a former elder at the GSM church. They are deeply loved by us.

-**David Byrd**, son of Herb and Sybill Byrd, is in Vanderbilt with a mysterious illness with cranial leaking. An official diagnosis has not been made but may be a post-covid effect. Their son-in-law, **Joel Davenport**, has been suffering from post-covid blood clots, sarcoidosis in the lungs, and currently stage 2 renal failure. Herb is an elder of the Maryville church and has spoken for us several times in the past.

A little Humor

Brown Bag Dinner and Meetings—November 7th



Our members will share our first fellowship meal together since the pandemic began following our morning worship. In the interest of caution we will each bring our own bag lunch. Tea and bottled water will be provided. Hopefully, our next fellowship will be a usual potluck dinner. Immediately following our meal today the men and ladies will resume our monthly business meetings. Please come and stay for the meetings.

To My Kids: "Don't make fun of me trying to use my cellphone. I once taught you how to use a spoon."

Married: "75% of being married is yelling, "What?" from the other room."

Sunday Adult Class

A Study in Acts

Al Behel

Teen Class

Jacob Forman

Wednesday Night Class

Danny Cline—Colossians

Monday Night Ladies Study

"O To Be Like Thee"

Polly Cline

Zoom Bible Class Each Monday
Night 6:45-7:45

Follow Email Instructions

Building Loan Balance

\$662,934.33

Additional contributions to building fund are appreciated

Times of Services

Sunday A.M.

Bible Study 9:30 AM

Worship 10:30 AM

Sunday P.M. 6:00 PM

Wednesday 7:00 PM