



Life Lines

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Evil Rulers

God Sees, God Knows and God Will React to Evil Rulers

The psalmist looked at the corruption of those who governed the land of Israel, and his heart was in great distress. The future looked so dismal and the psalmist's only hope was to be found in God. Take a moment to read Psalm 94 and see if you do not share in this prayer to God to do something about the evil actions of those who rule.

Power corrupts society when evil men become powerful. Those who ruled were proud (verse 1); they were insolent and were not hesitant to show it in what they said (v. 4). The people were oppressed, and widows, orphans and strangers were often their victims (v. 6). They were workers of iniquity whose goal was to promote themselves (v. 4).

Power corrupts, but it does not matter to evil men. Their response when confronted about their actions was to say, "The Lord does not see," and even if He does, He does not understand

(v. 7). Sin often binds mankind so completely that we forget these most fundamental truths. Power corrupts men, but God sees it all. The psalmist reminded the leaders of his day how senseless and foolish they had become. Do they not understand that God created the human ear? How could anyone say He does not hear what they are saying (v. 9)? Do they not understand that He who has the power to create the human eye sees all they are doing (v. 9)! God Almighty knows them. He knows their thoughts. He is just and will never cast off the righteous (vs. 8-14).

Power corrupts, but God will someday bring the wicked to justice. In the interim, the souls of the saints are agonized. The righteous author of this amazing psalm felt his own faith being tried and beginning to waver. He knew that unless the Lord did something he would find himself silenced, with his feet almost slipping away from God (vs. 17-18). God had been his defense in

past times so he turned to God for His help (v. 22-23). He knew that in the midst of his anxiety the Comforter would bring delight to his troubled soul (v. 19).

Power corrupts, but it has no fellowship with God. Evil has within it the seeds of its own destruction. There is no way that the "throne of iniquity," which seems often to prevail, has fellowship with God (v. 20). Our holy God cannot sit idly by, seeing evil apparently triumphing, and do nothing. Such would violate His nature. The psalm closes with words to help us all when we see the evil deeds of those who rule us. "The Lord has been my defense, And my God the rock of my refuge. He has brought on them their own iniquity and shall cut them off in their own wickedness; The Lord shall cut them off" (vs. 22-23). When evil prevails, trust God. It is still always right to do right!

Lines for Ladies

By Pat McAlister

At the beginning of the year many of us make resolutions to exercise more, eat less, get more rest and take our vitamins. Then spring comes, we battle the cobwebs, move dust bunnies around and attempt to clean closets, getting our house ready for summer. How many of these things do we get accomplished? How many are pushed aside?

Are we like this in our spiritual life? Do we make resolutions at the start of a new year to read our Bible more, attend church and classes, and visit the sick and shut-ins more? Then spring rolls around and we haven't changed anything. Surely we can keep some of these important decisions we made earlier. We need to renew our intentions. Getting our spiritual life in order is the most important of all resolutions.

Failing to keep resolutions about our physical life can harm our health. These are very important, but when we fail in our spiritual life it can be our destiny. These decisions can determine where we will spend eternity. God wants obedient people. When we fail this, we fail Him. "For we are His workmanship, created in Christ Jesus for good works, which God prepared before-hand that we should walk in them." (Ephesians 2:10) It's not that we earn our salvation, by no means, but God created us for His works.

When we realize we have slipped up we need to get back on the right track. These are commandments and we want to be pleasing to God. "For you have need of endurance, so that after you have done the will of God, you may receive the promise." (Hebrews 10:36) Isn't this what we all want, the promise?



Remember Our Sick

Bettye Barton – at home.

Carolyn Brown – (Walt's aunt) having heart problems.

Amos Hollis – having tests for chest problems March 11th

Becky Miller – bleeding behind her retina. follow up in 30 days.

Michael Tindall – needs prayers.

Diane Walters (1) – seen at Heart Hospital for chest pain. Test results good and came home Monday.

Shut-ins – need prayers and visits:

Dover Area: Billie Nichols

Legacy Heights:

Bonnie Vinson

Juanita Whitted

Russellville Nsg & Rehab:

Joe Miller

Others Who Need Our Prayers:

Carl Adkisson, Amie Barkley, Nubbin Susie Boley, Donna Chambers, Troy Rachel Curtis, Johnny Estes, Leota Hickey, Braden Lambert, Ronnie Leavell, Rose Lee, Daniel Loper, Bea McDaniel, Liliya McDaniel, Linda McDaniel, Connie Myers, Becky Miller, Julie Moss, Larry Reynolds, Helen Stephens, Linda Turner, Jon Vance, Joan Vance, Justin Vaughn, Joyce Walters, and Patsy Wisbrock.

Military: Pray for our service men and women

Expectant Mothers:

Rachael Robinson

Laticia Rainwater

Jessica Walters

Andrea Henson

Tiffany Turner

Deborah Cloud Arambula

GRANDMA

I made a traffic stop on an elderly lady the other day for speeding on U.S. 166 Eastbound at Mile Marker 73 just East of Sedan, KS. I asked for her driver's license, registration, and proof of insurance.

The lady took out the required information and handed it to me. In with the cards I was somewhat surprised (due to her advanced age) to see she had a conceal carry permit. I looked at her and asked if she had a weapon in her possession at this time.

She responded that she indeed had a .45 automatic in her glove box.

Something---body language, or the way she said it---made me want to ask if she had any other firearms. She did admit to also having a 9mm Glock in her center console. Now I had to ask one more time if that was all.

She responded once again that she did have just one more, a .38 special in her purse. I then asked her what she was so afraid of.

She looked me right in the eye and said, "Not a thing!"



EVENTS

Ladies' Devo

March 26

Hostess:

Diane Walters (1)

6:30 in the

Fellowship Hall.

This will also be a

work night for

Ladies' Day

Men's Business

Meeting

April 13th

@ 7:00 pm

*Everyone is invited to attend
the*

*50 year anniversary
of*

*Earl and Mary Stamps
on Saturday, March 28th*

*This will be a come and go
from*

*2 to 4 pm at their home on
Buck Mountain.*

*This is being given by
their children*

*We would like to offer our
deepest sympathy and
prayers to the
many friends and family of*

Susie Boley

*who passed away Sunday,
March 8th*

She will be sorely missed.

Mark Your Calendars

Dover Church of Christ

Children's Church

Every Sunday

11:15 - 12:00 Noon

Ages 4 thru 8

Bible Stories and

Activities

Ages 1 thru 3

Nursery Class

Ladies' Day 2015



*Please join us on Saturday,
April 25th @ 9:00 am for*

our annual Ladies' Day

The theme this year is

"The gift of Holiness"

Potluck to follow.



2015 Theme For Lads-to-Leaders

"ONE"

Convention is April 3-5
in Memphis.

Scriptures will be from

Galatians

Ephesians

Philippians

&

Colossians

For more information
Contact Chris Moss

March Birthdays

02	Reese Lovell
	Kelly Williams
	Dakota Whitted
03	Keaton Creel
	Rick Hollis
	Caleb Whitted
05	Austin Meyers
07	Sarah Ensey
	Colton Williams
08	Jan Loveless
09	Jim Clark
13	Matthew Moss
	Linda Drewry
17	Jim Killer
21	William Boley
22	Hallie Miller
	Alan Herron
25	Ethan Letson
26	Lakyn Barkley
	Mike Creel
27	Wilma Johnson
	Shelby Statler
28	Kaeli Miller
	Elizabeth Robbins
	Lacey Cates

In Search of the Lord's Way

The Search Program
can now be accessed
any time on their website

@

www.searchtv.org

Mack Lyon

or

Phil Sanders

weekly lesson can be

heard and seen on

LR KASN TV 38

Sunday @ 7:30 a.m.

THOSE TO SERVE

March 22nd, 2015

Sunday A.M.

Announcer: Randall Walters
Song Leader: Merrell Shoptaw

Prayers

Rex McDaniel
Randall Walters

Communion

Podium: Sid Womack
Serve: Chris Moss
Dan Cloud
Donny Forehand
Drew Walters

Scripture Reading

Walt Davis

Sunday P.M.

Prayers

Sid Womack
William Boley

SPEAKER

Sunday A.M.

Micah Williams

Sunday P.M.

Micah Williams

Prepare Table for Communion

Lads & Leaderettes

Communion to Shut-Ins

Charles Davis

Greeters

The Elders

Wednesday Night Services

@

6:30 p.m.

Meeting Times

Sunday Morning Bible Classes

9:45 A.M.

Sunday Morning Worship

10:45 A.M.

Sunday Evening Worship

6:00 P.M.

Ladies Tuesday Bible Class

10:00 A.M.

Wednesday Bible Classes

6:30 P.M.

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