

Can We Really Live For Jesus?

- Johnny Ramsey (deceased) -

There are those who teach that it is not possible for human beings to live up to the standard of godliness that Christianity demands. The devil would like for us to accept that heresy so as to discourage us from even trying to live for God. Do we have certain propensities within us that prohibit a closer walk with God? Did our Creator make us with an in-built spiritual deficiency that makes it certain that we shall fail in our pursuit of holiness? Or, are there helps along the way that enable us to glorify the Savior? In the language of **Romans 4:3** we sincerely ask: "What saith the Scripture?"

In the beauty of **Psalm 119:75-80**, we find some wonderful sources of consolation and joy. (Take time to read this passage). From this we take comfort in the following:

1. God's judgments are right.
2. God's merciful kindness comforts.
3. God's law is my delight.
4. God's precepts are my meditation.
5. My heart rejoices in His statutes.

Jesus taught, "But seek ye first the kingdom of God, and His righteousness; and all these things shall be added unto you." (**Matthew 6:33**).

Do you know why most of the world is lost? It hinges on **Matthew 6:33**. Instead of seeking first the kingdom of God, the vast majority of people all over the world are seeking food, clothing, and shelter first and putting God last. As a result, they don't come up very well on food, clothing, and shelter! Jesus challenges us and gives us the best insurance policy ever issued, now or to the end of time, in **Matthew 6:33**. Not many people take the Lord seriously on that promise. It is a tragedy how that high ethical standard is ignored!

- Bulletin Digest -

Priorities

Some strive for power, but often in vain,
Some thirst for glory; so hard to attain.
Some crave possessions that wealth alone brings,
But these, alas, are transitory things.
The wise are they who while on earth's sod
Seek first in their lives the Kingdom of God.

- Mary Gemma Brunke -

Most of us are not content with our lot because we want a lot more!

News Notes

LIVING WITH LOSS FELLOWSHIP: Today through Wednesday, May 6th at St Clair Ave. Church of Christ with Dean Miller. This afternoon at 2:00 p.m., on the subject: *Why?* Monday-Wednesday, 7:00 p.m. on the subjects: *What Grief Does to Us, Overwhelmed, and Contentment in Grief?* All are welcome to attend.

GOSPEL MEETING: Today through Thursday, May 7th at McKinleyville with Different Speakers. Bro. Rico speaks tomorrow evening.

CARE & SHARE BEARS: Resumes this Tuesday, May 5th, 11:00 a.m.

FRIDAY NIGHT SINGS: May 8th, 7:00 p.m., Struthers Church of Christ, and May 22, 7:00 p.m., Bridge Street Church of Christ, New Martinsville.

LADIES DAY: CHESTER: Saturday, May 9th. Registration & refreshments: 9:00 a.m. Program: 9:45 a.m. "Roots Before Fruits". Speaker: Latisha Brown. Lunch to follow.

CONVERT'S CLASS: Postponed until Thursday, May 14th.

BIBLE QUESTIONS: If you have Bible questions you would like Bro. Rico to study and consider for a Bible answer, please submit them to him in writing by May 31st.

PANTRY: Noodles.

REMEMBER IN PRAYER: *At Home:* Anita Hopwood, Donna Stevens, Peggy Linger, Scharlotte Jones, Harry Huff, Nancy Cox, Barbara DeLong. *Orchard's Rehab, East Liverpool:* Marlene Evans. *Fox, Chester:* Mary Johnson. *Serra Manor, Weirton:* Jean Haught (Skip's mother). *ELSEWHERE:* Carolyn Carbone (Janet & Becky's sister), 98 Orange Blossom Dr., Ranson, WV 25438. Nancy Hadley, 2995 Clay Pond Drive, Oakland, TN 38060. Sue Baumgardner (the McKittrick's daughter), 245 Mark Drive, Paducah, KY 42001. Christy Claypool, 204 Rio Pinar Drive, Warner Robins, GA 31088. Jackie Brown (Rico's mother), 4227 Prince Hall Blvd., Orlando, FL 32811. Herman McHan, 29 Jenny Lane, Columbiana, OH 44408.

BIBLE MEDITATIONS: Monday-Friday 12:30-12:35 p.m.
on WOHI 1490 AM and 103.9 FM.