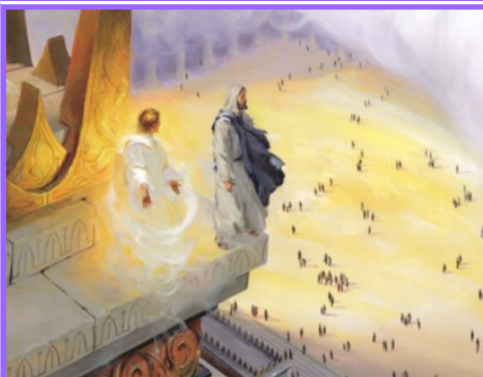


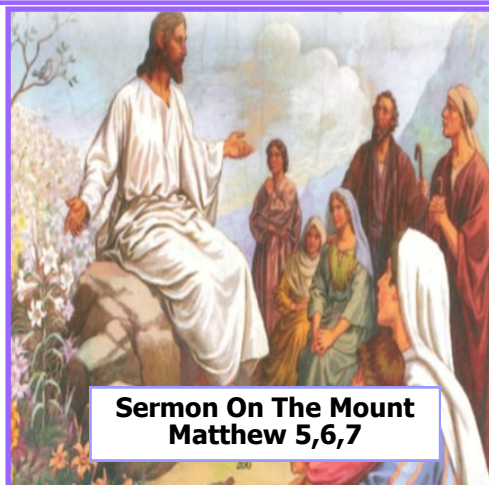
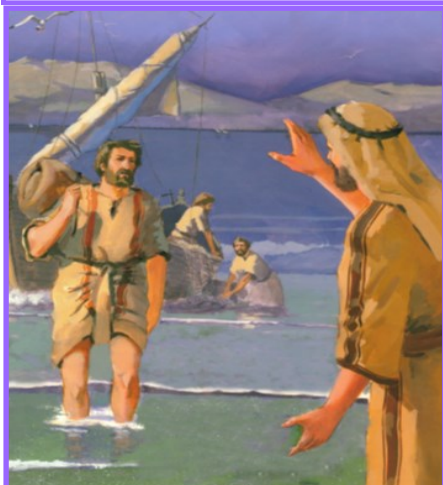
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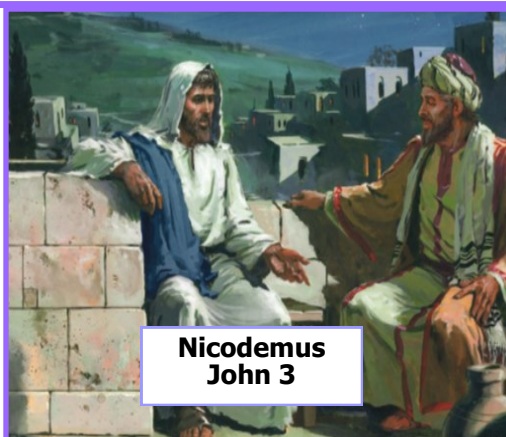
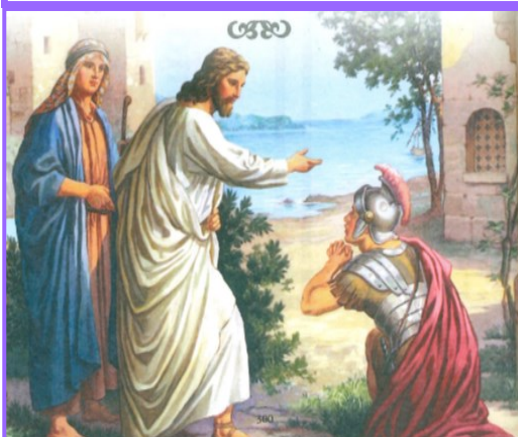
## **MONDAY JESUS IS TEMPTED Matthew 4**



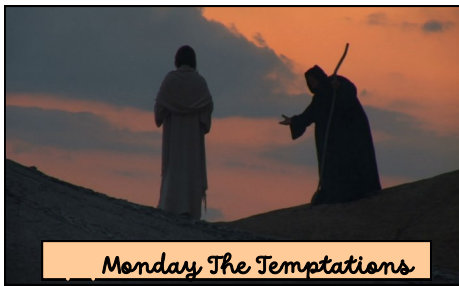
## **TUESDAY JESUS CALLS HIS DISCIPLES Matthew 4: 18-21, Matthew 10:2, John 1: 43-49**



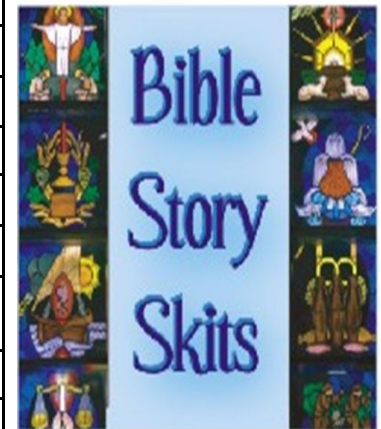
## **WEDNESDAY CENTURION'S SERVANT Matthew 8: 5-13**







Class	Room	Teacher
Nursery	Nursery	Becky Gatewood
Age 1	119	Renee Parsley, Erica Rochelle
Age 2	127	Jessica Williams, Carolyn Chessor
Age 2	200	Heather Martin, Kim Jenkins, Mindy James
Age 3	125	Janaya Winebrener, Kaitlyn Wallace
Age 3	204	Ridonna Goodpasture, Hannah Longworth, Emily Atkinson
Age 4	128	Kim Estes, Hailee Halliburton
Age 4	206	Harper Shelton, Hailie Tilley
Age 4	208	Holley Kruegar, Maty Hunt
Age 5	122	Stephanie Garrett, Faye Dotson
Age 5	220	Leah Isenberg, Sarah Isenberg
Finished K	224	June Aydelott, Janis Rediker, Kathy McDonald
<i>Finished K</i>	226	Haley Richardson, Gwyneth Richardson
Finished 1st	221	Nancy Leathers, Gracie Brown
Finished 1st	222	Christine Hoover, Anna Kate Jenkins
Finished 2nd	214	Meredith Qualls, Zoie Chilton
Finished 2 <sup>nd</sup>	218	Amber Kelley, Meredith Kelley
Finished 3 <sup>rd</sup>	Con. Room	Karen Bridges, Kilee Jenkins
Finished 3 <sup>rd</sup>	110	Lauren McDonald, Anna Kate McDonald
Finished 4 <sup>th</sup>	112	Patrick & Anita Allen
5 <sup>th</sup> & 6 <sup>th</sup> Grade Girls	Library	Shela Chessor, Adley Elkins
5 <sup>th</sup> & 6 <sup>th</sup> Grade Boys	B8	Cameron Peters
Grades 7-12	B8	Mike Kelley
Adults	Chapel	Wayne Qualls, Ken Dickerson, Gary Gatewood



Lemonade



Popcorn



Cookies



## Thank You

Martha Loveless writes: " I am overwhelmed with the generous gift given to me by the Day School Board, Sunday School Classes, and friends on my retirement from Day School. For 45 years I have been blessed to work with Christian teachers and staff, but more importantly, to work with precious children from our church and all over the community. With heartfelt thanks, Martha Loveless AKA Miss Martha"

Marjie Copley writes: " My Dear and Special Friends, Thank you so very much for your love, thoughtfulness, and encouragement that you have graciously given me since I moved to The Bridge in Columbia. Receiving your beautiful cards and sharing pleasant conversations with many of you has helped tremendously in this needed, yet difficult, transition in my life. You have lifted my spirits and brought happiness to my heart. I miss each of you and think of you often and hope that you know how grateful I am for the friendships that we share. Please stop by and see me anytime that you are in Columbia. May God's blessings be with you. In Christian Love"

The Family of Danny Mathis writes: " To The Centerville Church Of Christ, Thank you so much for the beautiful lantern that was sent to the funeral home for the passing of my father, Danny Mathis. We also appreciate the prayers and messages during this difficult time. In Him, Patsy Mathis, Kim Jenkins & Family

## Memorial

...a Memorial has been given to the Camp Meribah Scholarship Fund in memory of Bobby Claud and Betty Jo Claud by Faye Claud.

...a Memorial has been given to the Camp Meribah Scholarship Fund in memory of Ed & Willie Shepard. Mr. Shepard was an Elder at Centerville Church of Christ for a number of years.

## Baptisms



...We rejoice with Bristol Shelby and John Shelby who were baptized May 31, 2023. They are friends of George & Nanette Simmons.

Their address is:

Bristol Shelby  
203 Tiller Drive  
Centerville, Tennessee 37033

John Shelby  
6584 Primm Spring Road  
Lyles, TN. 37098

## STEWARDSHIP REPORT

### CONTRIBUTION

June 4, 2023

\$ 13,459.80

Camp: \$ 231.75

Budget: \$13,989.00

### Happy 50th Anniversary!



Gary & Becky Gatewood  
Married 50 Years  
June 23, 2023



### Bible Times Meal Sunday, June 11, 2023

Outside Following 5 P.M.

Worship

Join Us As We Kick-Off  
Centerville Church of Christ  
Vacation Bible School



## Prayer for Healing

...Ken Jenkins, father of Michael (Michelle), was in an accident involving a dump truck. He is in Vanderbilt Hospital with broken bones in his legs, pelvis and ankles. He has had some surgeries and will have more in the coming days. His address: Vanderbilt University Medical Center 1211 Medical Center Drive Room 1024 10 N Bed 24 Nashville, TN. 37232

...Priscilla Barber fell and broke her wrist. Her address:

Harmony At Brentwood  
Apt. 421

9045 Church Street East  
Brentwood, Tennessee 37027

...Floy Cochran is dealing with severe back pain.

...Ava Johnston, mother of June Roder and Tammie Dotson, is recovering from a stroke at Life Care in Columbia. Her address is:

Life Care Center of Columbia  
Room 1100  
841 West James Campbell Blvd.  
Columbia, Tennessee 38401

...Daisey Beard, grandmother of Tabitha Cude, is in Maury Regional recovering from a stroke.

...Nell Rochelle, grandmother of Heather Martin, in having severe health issues. She is in assisted living in Parsons, Tennessee.

...Madelyn Owens will have surgery Wednesday to remove scar tissue from her throat and enlarge her esophagus .

...Cassie Peone has some bumps and bruises due to being in a car accident.

...Glenda Teet is in St. Thomas Mid-Town with bleeding ulcers.



Can You Help With Cookies For  
VBS? It will be greatly  
appreciated!





Todd Parsley

### "From Where I Sit"

Sunday morning we spoke about the difference in knowledge and wisdom and the ability to turn one into the other. The Apostle Paul wrote: *Brethren, I count not myself to have apprehended: but this one thing I do, forgetting those things which are behind, and reaching forth unto those things which are before, I press toward the mark for the prize of the high calling of God in Christ Jesus*" (Phi. 3:13-14). Paul had knowledge, but this shows his wisdom. Paul says he was pressing toward the mark. The pursuit is not grasping after something unreal and unknown. He was pressing on with godliness and contentment. He had learned in whatsoever state he was in to be content, that's wisdom.

To be happy in life we all need something to do; we need a mission to fill. As preachers teach loud and clear so people will know the battle for truth is on. Do not be distracted by the tolerance of a new ideology of peaceful coexistence with everyone and everything that is being pushed upon us. Let us stand for the right and not lose sight of our duty to serve the Lord, do justice, love mercy, and walk humbly with our God, that's wisdom.

John said, *"We love him, because he first loved us"* (1 John 4:19). It brings happiness to love God. We are to love the Lord with all our heart. Why, because He first loved us, and we should return that love to Him. Paul said, *"In hope of eternal life, which God, that cannot lie, promised before the world began"* (Titus. 1:2). It's the hope of heaven that keeps us going through the sickness, pain, disappointment, suffering, and hardship that this life brings. Remember what Paul wrote, these present sufferings are not worthy to be compared with the glory which shall be revealed. God shall wipe away all tears from our eyes, and there shall be no more death, neither sorrow, nor crying, neither shall there be any more pain. There's our hope, the promise of a home eternal in heaven with God and Christ, that to me is knowledge encompassed with wisdom.

Yes, knowledge is knowing that a tomato is a fruit, but wisdom is not putting it into fruit salad. There is a place for both and both knowledge and wisdom play an important part in our lives daily. Knowledge is knowing the scriptures; wisdom is putting into practice daily in our lives.

Knowing who God is (Knowledge); following God (Wisdom). God is faithful!

God Bless -Todd



## The Shepherd's Pen

Sunday was a wonderful day! We had a good crowd in attendance and appreciated our visitors very much. This Sunday evening following worship will be our Bible Times Meal to kick-off Vacation Bible School. Plan on being a part of this fellowship time together. The theme for VBS is "Seek God First". Monday, Tuesday, and Wednesday beginning at 9am. It is followed by Day Camp at Camp Meribah. In Luke 19:1-10 we read the story of Zacchaeus. He was a chief tax collector, and he was rich. Because of this fact he was despised by the Jews. He was known for his unethical character. He was probably very lonely because no one wanted to spend any time with someone who was stealing their substance. He was rich and found that riches did not satisfy the deepest needs of his heart. How did Zacchaeus seek after Jesus? He sought after Christ in truth and not in pretense. He may have been the chief of sinners in the eyes of many, but there was something inside of him that was hungering and thirsting after righteousness. He sought Christ courageously, not letting obstacles detour him. There was the multitude around Jesus and Zacchaeus could not get near him because of the crowd, but the Providence of God had allowed for a sycamore tree to grow in the path of Christ, and he climbed up into that sycamore tree that he might look upon Christ. He sought Christ humbly, very few wealthy men would be willing to climb a tree like a little child, but little Zacchaeus was willing. When Jesus looked up and saw him in the tree, He said, *"Zacchaeus, make haste and come down, for today I must stay at your house."* Looking forward to seeing you this Sunday. Let worship this Sunday be a top priority for you and your family.

Your Elders



The *Senior Group's* next outing will be June 13, 2023. We will go to the Beacon Light Restaurant. The vans will leave the church parking lot at 5:30 P.M.  
A sign-up sheet is in the foyer, a menu is attached.

## Worship With Us Sunday



9AM and 5PM



### Scripture June 11

Justin Beard

Preside  
Wayne Rediker

### Elder's Prayer:

June 11  
Gary Gatewood

### Prayer Week of June 11

S.M.W.  
Randy Wright

S.M.D.  
Keithen Harris

S.E.W.  
Brad Davis

S.E.D.  
Joey Hunt

W.E.B.S  
Sam Chessor

W.E.D.  
Aden Weber