

Teen News

Solve the following code. The first person to come to me with the correct answer will receive a reward. There can be only one winner so the first to respond will receive the prize. You may use your friends, family members, teachers or any other means you wish to research the problem. Have fun!

“iyirx aeelhfnqsohiju suarus tquo uoi gieqslj ul urx.”

P.S. There is a lesson to be learned from this experiment. BTW, the devo will be at the home of Jim and Jane Davis.

THREE THINGS

- Three things in life that may never be lost: Peace, Hope, Honesty
- Three things in life that are most valuable: Love, Self-confidence, Friends
- Three things in life that are never certain: Dreams, Success, Fortune
- Three things that make a man: Hard work, Sincerity, Commitment
- Three things in life that can destroy a man: Wine, Pride, Anger
- Three things that are truly constant: Father, Son, Holy Ghost
(from *Glad Tidings of Good Things*)

A MOTHER'S PRAYER

Since Thou hast dared to trust me with This life's supremest good,
Let me be found trustworthy in the guard of motherhood.
Keep me in touch with Thy great love,
Patient, sure, and wise,
That I, in seeing earthly deeds,
May look with heaven's eyes.
Redeem the faults of thought and deed,
Each poor example set.
Uphold me for the sake of little minds that don't forget.
Teach me to balance love between
Too little and too much,
Yet to maintain in all of life
The outward-going touch.
Be Thou my courage, strength of heart,
My soul's up-reaching way

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ASSEMBLY TIMES

Sun: 9:30 AM Class
10:30 AM Worship
6:00 PM Evening
Wed: 7:00 PM

THE WORSHIPER'S ATTITUDE?

Great responsibility has always rested upon the worshiper, in the Old Testament as well as in the New. Not only must one have the right object, but he must have certain attitudes.

First, the True Worshiper Feels the Desire To Worship. “Both young men, and virgins; Old men, and children: Let them praise the name of Jehovah; For his name alone is exalted; His glory is above the earth and the heavens” (Psa. 148:12-13). “These things I remember, and pour out my soul within me, how I went with the throng, and led them to the house of God, With the voice of joy and praise, with a multitude keeping holy-day” (Psa.42:4). David exclaimed, “I was glad when they said unto me, Let us go unto the house of Jehovah” (Psa. 122:1). Man needs to realize his need for his maker and thirst for Him. “As the heart panteth after the water brooks, So panteth my soul after thee, O God. My soul thirsteth for God, for the living God; When shall I come and appear before God” (Psa. 42:1-2)? Job cried, “Oh that I knew where I might find him! That I might come even to his seat” (Job 23:3)!

Second, the True Worshiper Feels Profound Gratitude for the Wonderful Grace of God. He seeks every opportunity to acknowledge his dependence upon God and his awareness that without God's blessings, he could not live. “O praise Jehovah, all ye nations; Laud him, all ye peoples. For his loving kindness is great toward us” (Psa. 117:1-2).

“What shall I render unto Jehovah for all his benefits toward me” (116:12)? “I will pay my vows before them that fear him” (22:25). “Praise ye Jehovah. O give thanks unto Jehovah; O give thanks unto Jehovah; for he is good; For his loving kindness endureth for ever” (106:1).

Third, the True Worshiper Feels Reverence in and Worships God from the Heart. It is genuine: the emotions are involved. “These things I remember [what God has done for me and that my soul pants after God, CAC], and pour out my soul within me” (Psa. 42:4). “Glory ye in his holy name: Let the heart of them rejoice that seek Jehovah”

(1 Chr. 16:10). “Him shall ye fear [reverence, CAC], give thee thanks with my whole heart: before the gods will I sing praises unto thee” (Psa. 138:1). The worshiper is not passive, but active in his worship.



MOTHER'S DAY NEXT SUNDAY.

From Dan's desk:

It was good to be back in Palestine following our meeting near Franklin. The church at Bald Prairie (near Franklin, Texas) is believed to be the oldest Church of Christ in Texas. The church there has been meeting since 1847. I hope and trust that you remembered that next Sunday is "MOTHER'S DAY" and that you are planning something special for your mother. Moms are so important to the family. Many single mothers are doing their best to rear their children in the way of God. I commend them for their efforts, time and energy. I am also grateful to the moms and dads who always bring their children to worship God. Their future is often dependent upon the spiritual training that they receive early in life. Don't forget to get mom a card, gift, flowers, etc and show your love for her. Our hearts were saddened this last week with the invasion of death in three homes of our congregation. Ken Woosley's father HENRY passed away and services were held in Meridian, Tex. Jeff Seal's father DON passed away and services were held locally. Vi Burchfield's niece JANET ROBERTSON also died last week and services were held in Neches. Let's continue to lift all of these families up in our prayers. Thanks to those who attended singing night last Wednesday night. It was a great experience and it affords us an opportunity to praise the Lord. Thanks for coming. We have several guest speakers coming on Weds. Nights in the summer. We will tell you more about the schedule as the time draws closer. Children's Bible Hour will dismiss for the summer months on Sunday night May 20th. We are grateful to those who have worked in Bible Hour this last year and to Audrey for coordinating this effort. See you tonight.

PLEASE TURN OFF ALL CELL PHONES



**TO KEEP
IN OUR PRAYERS**

**PLEASE REMEMBER THESE IN
YOUR PRAYERS:**

MICHAEL MORRIS continues to recover at East Texas Medical Center from back surgery. He will be there another 4-5 weeks with a severe infection.

TED MISSILDINE remains ill at his daughters home.

IKE WEATHERLY's foot surgery has been postponed to May 9th.

BECKY JOHNSON, daughter of Joann Johnson, has been placed in a drug induced coma after her cancer surgery.

CHECK THE TABLE IN THE FOYER FOR THE NAMES OF THE MEMBERS AND THEIR FAMILY WITH CONTINUEING HEALTH PROBLEMS.

REMEMBER THE SERVICEMEN!

Blaine Kline, David Sims, Dustin Delsi, Jim Griffith, III, Tyler Griffith, & Joseph Griffith.

Our youth group is again selling the 'PRAY FOR OUR NATION' signs for \$5.00 a piece. If you would like one, please see Blake, Brandy, Dan or Lorelee. Proceeds will help pay for singing camp.

TIPTON HOME

The Tipton Home truck will be here the week of May 21st. They are asking that we collect : Pre-sweetened Kool-Aid, sugar, cereal, peanut butter, Vienna sausages, spray n' wash, toilet tissue, paper towels, HE laundry detergent, bath room cleaners, 30 or 40 gal. trash bags, but anything you want to send would be appreciated. Please have your donations here no later than Sunday, May 20th.

I AM A CHRISTIAN BECAUSE I NEED TO BE

Yes I want to be a Christian. But what if I didn't? What if I simply said, "Thanks, but no thanks?" To some, that is foolish, and rightly so. After all, who would consciously turn down the free gift of salvation (Rom. 5:18)? Yet, everyday people are living lives that scream "I don't want to be a Christian!" It is a sad fact, but still a fact, that some people just don't want it. Unfortunately for them, whether you want it or not, you need it. You *have* to be a Christian. The Devil is smart. He has managed to put people in positions of power who to some say, "religion is evil," and to others, "all religions are good religions." Think about the politicians and activists who say that "religion is everywhere and needs to be contained" or that falsely say, "the constitution declares separation of church and state, therefore there must be no mention of God in public schools, places of business, or any government offices. And yet, these same politicians and activists will say "the Muslim people are being suppressed, they should have every opportunity to practice their religion as the Judeo-Christian." What hypocrisy! The truth is, there is no salvation in the Muslim religion or any other religion besides Christianity (Acts 4:12). And despite what some try to say, Christianity is not a danger to society, or the cause of societal problems or something that should be avoided, it is the *solution* to society's problems. And it is something that one cannot *afford* to avoid. Why am I a Christian? Because I want to be!

DAN