

The HBC Weekly Forecast
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A number of important character traits seem to be falling by the wayside in our current culture. Those special and unique qualities like...
Honor. Purity. Loyalty. Integrity. Gratitude.
Are they gone? Did we leave true character behind?

Take, for instance, the character trait of "Honor."
Throughout the Bible we are taught and commanded to honor certain people. We are instructed to honor God, our parents, our spouse, our elders, our spiritual and civil leaders, all those who serve us in some way, and one another in the body of Christ.

Look at what the Apostle Paul wrote about honor in one of his letters: "*Give everyone what you owe him ... if respect, then respect; if honor, then honor.*"
— Romans 13:7

What we need is a revival of all these important qualities. You and I can be the starting place for renewing a culture of respect and honor.
Join us as this Sunday as we learn what we can do to begin restoring these "Forgotten Virtues."

***Plus... We have a surprise announcement this Sunday about a special blessing which has been received by HBC –
You won't want to miss this news!***

Join us live at 10:00 am this Sunday for a sanitized and safe worship experience – Or tune into Facebook Live.



The Virtue Of Honor

“Love must be sincere. Hate what is evil; cling to what is good. Be devoted to one another in love. Honor one another above yourselves.” Romans 12:10

One of the ways we as Christians are to express our love for one another is by the way we show honor. Paul tells us to honor others above ourselves. To honor someone is to place a high value upon them and to treat them with great respect.

We read also from the book of Philippians – *“Do nothing from selfishness or empty conceit, but with humility of mind regard one another as more important than yourselves...” (Philippians 2:3)*

It took the disciples a great while to learn the importance of honoring others above themselves. Twice we read from the gospel of Luke of where they argued over who among them was the greatest. (see Luke 9:46 22:24)

Such self-centeredness among His disciples must have been difficult for Jesus to watch as He knew that in only a matter of days, He would be dying on a cross for our sins. And yet the carnal concern of his closest disciples was who would get the seat closest to the Master.

Luke 22:25 Jesus said to them, *“The kings of the Gentiles lord it over them; and those who exercise authority over them call themselves Benefactors. (a title of honor) 26 But you are not to be like that. Instead, the greatest among you should be like the youngest, and the one who rules like the one who serves. 27 For who is greater, the one who is at the table or the one who serves? Is it not the one who is at the table? But I am among you as one who serves.”*

In many ways, the kingdom of heaven is in complete contradiction to everything we know here on earth. On earth, the greatest always tries to be first and the losers are always last. On earth, the greatest think they should be served, and the losers are the ones who serve them. On earth, the greatest like to be praised and the losers often find themselves ignored. But in heaven, all of this is reversed. In heaven, those who always had to be first will be last, and those who were always made to be last will be first.

Finally... Honor in the church toward leadership is commanded. 1 Timothy 5:17 says, *“Let the elders who rule well be considered worthy of double honor, especially those who labor in preaching and teaching.”* It is not that pastors or teacher should get big heads about their positions. Rather, it is to acknowledge the weighty responsibility they bear before God on behalf of the care of the souls with which they have been entrusted.

May we all learn to honor and serve one another better!

On the grace journey together with you, Lynwood

The Hilton Baptist Church Record

Lynwood Wells, Pastor

June 1, 2021

Budget \$5736.00

Cash in Cash out– Coffee Fund \$1.00

PORT \$500.00

Total Deposit \$6237.00



Another Way to Give



Vacation Bible School

August 9th– 13th

6:00pm– 8:30pm

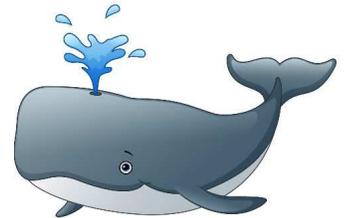


Table Captains are needed. We can use YOU!

Contact Dreama to help or register!



We will be celebrating our graduates in morning worship on June 13th.

Please plan on being a part of this special service.

FaithCounts

COME TO ME, ALL YOU
WHO ARE WEARY AND
BURDENED, AND I WILL
GIVE YOU REST.

MATTHEW 11:28

Missions Outreach—Pam Cooke 660-4226

Serve The City

June 12th– Big Volunteer Day 9am-2pm

Register online at <https://www.stcpeninsula.com>

Big Volunteer Week– July 13th– 17th. Registration is open now!

WMU Focus

WMU Missions Focus for June– Lackey Free Clinic. Services provided there are Primary and Specialty Medical Care, Dental Care, Free and Low Cost Medicines, Behavioral Health Counseling, Spiritual Care, Better Vision Eye Care. 77.5% of the patients have 3 or more chronic conditions, 63% of our patients are employed but can not afford health care. We will be sending all donations sent for this worth Ministry.

Food Pantry at HBC

HBC gives food away on Tuesdays and Thursday. See Sue Monfalcone to volunteer and for more information on how you can help.

Restock the pantry– This Sunday, May 30th in the sanctuary and Wednesday, June 2nd in the back parking lot from 4pm– 6pm.

Pray for Our Missionaries

SI (East Asian People) Paul Barth, SE, Emilio Marrero (European People)

CL (Southeast Asian People) Jonathan Bundrick (Sub-Saharan African People)

Beth Watkins (Alberta) Joshua Cook (CO) Howard Oakes, Rafael Valter (GA)

Douglas Rowland (IL) Charlie Mitchell (MD) Donald Swallow (OH)

Serving our Community with the Love of Jesus!

Calendar

Monday, May 31th

Happy Memorial Day!

Church Office Closed

Tuesday, June 1st

1:00pm—2:00pm Food Distribution

Wednesday, June 2nd

7:00pm Facebook Bible Study

Thursday, June 3rd

1:00pm—2:00pm Food Distribution

Sunday, June 6th

10am Live Worship at HBC

Virtual Worship Online

Monday, June 7th

Church office closed

Tuesday, June 8th

1:00pm—2:00pm Food Distribution

6:30pm Vision Team Meeting

Wednesday, June 9th

Church Office Closed

7:00pm Facebook Bible Study

Thursday, June 10th

1:00pm—2:00pm Food Distribution

Sunday, June 13th

Graduation Sunday

10am Live Worship at HBC

Virtual Worship Online

The church office will be closed on Monday, June 7 and Wednesday, June 9th

Karen Simpson will be in the office on Tuesday, June 8th to answer the phone and be there for food referrals from the United Way.

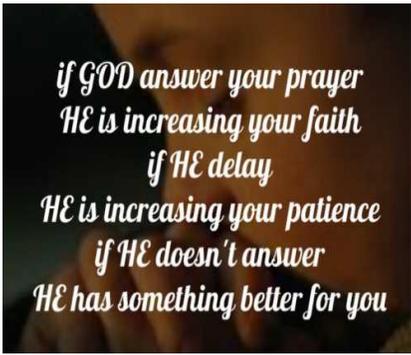
Happy Birthday for the next two weeks

6/1 Joe Caskie

6/9 Kimberly Michie

6/11 Dave Gwaltney





Delays In Answered Prayer

Most of us pray often tend pray our prayers as David did:

“In the day when I call answer me speedily” (Psalm 102:2).
“I am in trouble: hear me speedily” (Psalm 69:17).

The Hebrew word for speedily suggests “right now, hurry up, in the very hour I call on you, do it!” David was saying, “Lord, I put my trust in you—but please hurry!”

God is in never in a hurry. He has never been one moment too early or one minute too late. In fact, we sometimes need to be reminded that God doesn't jump at our commands.

In fact, at times you may wonder if he will ever answer your most heartfelt and earnest prayers!

You cry out, weep, hope, and even give yourself over to fasting—but days go by, weeks, months, even years, and you don't receive even the slightest evidence that God is hearing you.

First you question yourself: “Something must be blocking my prayers.”

You become perplexed, and over time your attitude toward God becomes something like this: “Lord, what do I have to do to get this prayer answered? You promised in your Word to give me an answer, and I prayed in faith. How many tears must I shed?”

Why does God sometimes delay answers to our sincere prayers?

It certainly isn't because He lacks the power. And He is most willing for us to receive from Him.

No, the answer is found in this verse: *“He spake a parable unto them...that men ought always to pray, and not to faint” (Luke 18:1).*

The Greek word for lose heart, or faint in the King James Version, means “relax, become weak or weary in faith, give up the struggle, no longer wait for completion.” Galatians 6:9 says, *“Let us not be weary in well-doing: for in due season we shall reap, if we faint not.”*

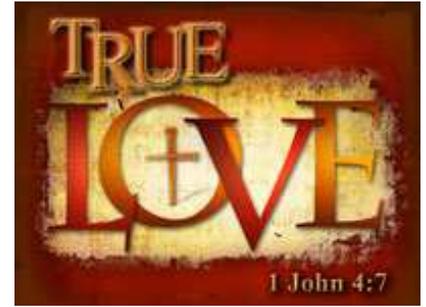
The Lord is seeking for a praying people who will not relax or grow weary of coming to Him, again and again. True prayer is not a few sentences simply uttered out in our times of need.

True prayer comes forth from an ongoing pursuit of God. These people will wait on the Lord, not giving up before his work is completed. And they will be found waiting when He brings the answer!

True Love

Did you know that the most searched phrase on Google is “what is love,” according to the company itself in 2012?

The physicist says that “love is chemistry.” The psychotherapist says that “love has many guises.” The philosopher tells us that “love is a passionate commitment,” while the romantic novelist tells us that “love drives all the great stories.”



However, if you truly want to know what love is, you need to go to the source! What is love? In 1 John 4, we read that “God is love!” Further, we know that “this is love: not that we loved God, but that he loved us and sent his Son as an atoning sacrifice for our sins.” (1 John 4:10)

While many claim to know what “true love” is, we can find the very definition of true love from God Himself. This comes only through faithful study of His Word!



God's Perfect Love

Perfect love desires communion, the sharing of life together, and so it cannot be expressed from a distance. God so perfectly loved the world that he came up close in Christ, stepping into the brokenness of our lives (1 John 1:1-3):

Into our emptiness, Jesus brings fullness and completion (Colossians 2:9-10).

Into our deficit, Jesus brings supply (Philippians 4:19).

Into our death, Jesus brings life (Ephesians 2:1, 5).

Into our separation, Jesus brings reconciliation (Romans 5:10-11).

Into our imperfect love, Jesus brings his perfect love (1 John 4:10).

When we know, and believe, that God is determined to love us perfectly, we can stop being self-absorbed and we can start being conformed to Christ (Romans 12:2). When we don't believe God is determined to love us perfectly, we end up living like our best choice is to take care of ourselves.

And then, we become so busy taking care of ourselves that we have little time for authentic, transparent, loving community with others.

The Last Impression...

We all seem to struggle at times with the aging process, so you may want to check out these signs that you are getting older:

Everything hurts and what doesn't hurt doesn't work.



- * The gleam in your eyes is from the sun hitting your bi-focals.
- * You keep repeating yourself.
- * You feel like the morning after and you haven't been anywhere.
- * Your little black book contains only names that end in M.D.
- * Your children begin to look middle aged.
- * You keep repeating yourself.
- * You finally reach the top of the ladder and find it leaning against the wrong wall.
- * Your mind makes contracts your body can't meet.
- * You look forward to a dull evening.
- * Your favorite part of the newspaper is "20 Years Ago Today."
- * You turn out the lights for economic rather than romantic reasons.
- * You sit in a rocking chair and can't get it going.
- * Your knees buckle, and your belt won't.
- * You keep repeating yourself.
- * You're 17 around the neck, 42 around the waist, and 105 around the golf course.
- * Your back goes out more than you do.
- * You sink your teeth into a steak, and they stay there.
- * You have too much room in the house and not enough in the medicine cabinet.
- * You know all the answers, but nobody asks you the questions.
- * You're asleep, but others worry that you're dead.
- * You're proud of your lawn mower.
- * You keep repeating yourself!

"But they that wait upon the Lord shall renew their strength; they shall mount up with wings as eagles; they shall run, and not be weary; and they shall walk, and not faint." Isaiah 40:31



God Sees Your Faithfulness

Have you noticed that almost anywhere you go these days, you are being recorded by some kind of video camera? Driving down the street, going into the bank or grocery store, even going into church – it seems our every action is being recorded.

That should serve as a good reminder to us that we are also always under the caring, watchful eye of our loving Heavenly Father. He sees everything you do that is good and right. Every time you choose not to sin, every time you resist temptation, every time you take a stand because of God's Truth, he sees your faithfulness to Him.



The Bible says every good deed will be rewarded, no matter how insignificant and regardless of whether anybody else on earth sees it.

Every encouragement you give to other people, every kind word you give to your children, every time you do a thoughtful act for your husband, every time you pick up around the office when it's not your job, every time you set up chairs in church or stuff bulletins, every act of courtesy, every time you refuse to gossip, every time your positive instead of negative – God sees it all, no matter how small. (Matthew 10:40-42)

Imagine yourself on a giant stage and you're the only person on that stage. You're acting out your life. In the audience there is only one person and it's God. He's out there clapping and saying *"I see that good thing you just did. Keep on going! Nobody else saw it, but I saw it."*

So what should be my response? If God sees all the good things that I do and He's out there cheering me on, then my response should be, "Don't Be Discouraged!"

You may be thinking, "I've been trying to do the right thing in my marriage. I don't see any results. I've been trying to be the right kind of person and respond correctly with my kids or to my parents. I've been trying to do the right thing at work or at school. And I don't know if it's paying off. I don't see it making any difference in anybody's life."

God says, "I see it and it doesn't matter who else sees it."

Paul reminds us that we can be encouraged by this truth. The law of seedtime and harvest offers to each of us the promise of great rewards. Nothing good we ever do is ever done in vain: *"So we must not get tired of doing good, for we will reap at the proper time if we don't give up."* (Galatians 6:9, HCSB)

Remember God is watching and sees your faithfulness to Him!

Learn to Wait

The Psalmist writes, “...*I trust in You, O Lord; I say, You are my God. My times are in Your hand...*” (Psalm 31:14-15)

As you walk with God, you’ll find you spend more time waiting than you do anything else. And when you receive what you’re waiting for, then you’ll begin waiting for something else! So if you don’t learn to wait with joy, you’ll live in frustration.



Paul writes, “*Let us not grow weary while doing good: for in due season we shall reap, if we do not lose heart.*” (Galatians 6:9 NKJV) “Due season” is when God knows the time is right, not when you think it is. God has a set time for accomplishing things in your life, so you might as well settle down and wait, because that’s when it will happen, and not before. God knows what you need, when you need it, and how to get it to you.

One Bible teacher writes, “God has taught me to keep living the life I now have while I’m waiting for the things that are in my heart to come to pass. We become so intent on trying to give birth to the next thing that we neither enjoy nor take care of the things at hand. Learn to enjoy where you are, while you are waiting to get to where you want to be.”

The Great Computer Contest...



Jesus and Satan have a discussion as to who is better on the computer . This goes on for a few hours until they come to an agreement to hold a contest, with God as the judge. They set themselves before their computers and begin. They type furiously, lines of code streaming up the screen, for several hours straight.

Seconds before the end of the competition, a bolt of lightning strikes, taking out the electricity. Moments later, the power is restored, and God announces that the contest is over.

He asks Satan to show what he has come up with. Satan is visibly upset, and cries, "I have nothing. I lost it all when the power went out."

"Very well, then," says God, "let us see if Jesus fared any better."

Jesus enters a command, and the screen comes to life in vivid display, the voices of an angelic choir pour forth from the speakers.

Satan is astonished. He stutters, "B-b-but how?! I lost everything, yet Jesus' program is intact! How did he do it?"



What Has Become The “Regular Thing” In Your Life?

God said, “...they continue practicing the former [habits]; they do not fear the Lord, nor do they follow... the law... which the Lord...commanded...” – 2 Kings 17:34

Understand this - any habit you feed will strengthen its grip on your life. Ask anyone recovering from addiction; we only become willing to change when we hit the bottom.

The truth of the matter is often: “Prodigals don’t come home until they’ve lost everything!”

But that doesn’t have to be your story. Your heavenly Father is waiting to welcome you back. You are a child of the Most High; captivity is unnatural for you. You’ll never be free until you despise your chains.

Whether you’re bound by a substance, a relationship or a life that’s out of order, your circumstances won’t change until your mind is released from the grip of old thought patterns and renewed by God’s Word (Romans 12:2).

So, start putting in place new habits, for what you do consistently, you become permanently. Begin the Bible-reading habit. Put it first on your “to do” list or you won’t do it faithfully. Proverbs 4:22 says, “...for [these words] bring life and radiant health to anyone who discovers their meaning...”

Set a specific time for prayer, otherwise everything else will crowd it out. In prayer God will tell you how He feels about things. Can you afford to live without His input?

Attend church regularly, support it with your finances, exercise your spiritual gifts and begin to invest time and energy into relationships that sharpen and strengthen you spiritually. God will say things to you in His house that He won’t say anywhere else.

Think about the Grand Canyon. It consists of the Colorado River, which in truth appears to be for the most part a simply glorified stream. Yet, through the ages, its continual flow, along with the winds and other effects of natural erosion have carved out a gaping hole in the earth’s crust that we call the “Grand Canyon.” The effects, though small in the moment have impact when they are repeated time and time again.

Remember, through your daily habits you are carving out an irreversible future. If you want to know where you’re headed - examine them. And avoid the mark of a Grand Canyon in your own spiritual life.



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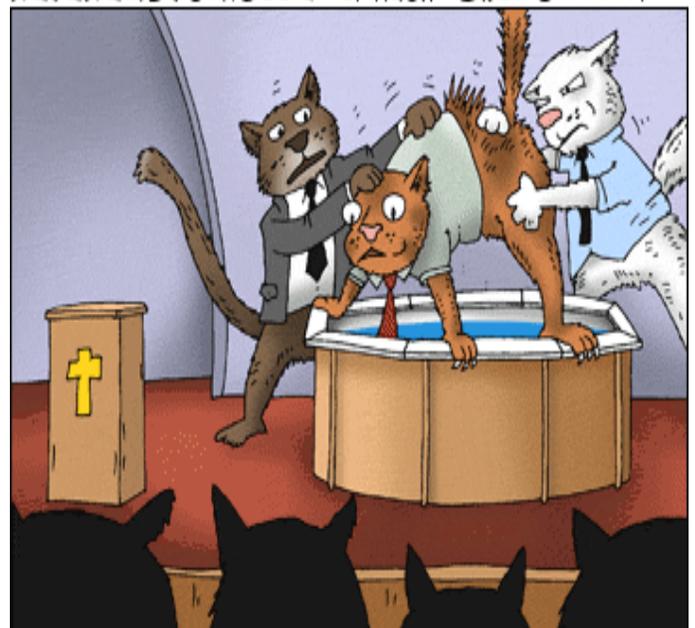
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