

Welcome to the church of Christ at Alisal

Sermon for the Lord's Day

"What We Should Say"



Charles

Welcome Brothers and Sisters!

We are blessed to have Charles Barry with us to present the Lesson. Charles Barry to lead our Bible Class and Kerry Johnson to lead us in Song... may God bless their efforts!

Our Lord's Day Plan...

~ Happy Lord's Day ~

Remind them to be subject to rulers and authorities, to obey, to be ready for every good work, to speak evil of no one, to be peaceable, gentle, showing all humility to all men. For we ourselves were also once foolish, disobedient, deceived, serving various lusts and pleasures, living in malice and envy, hateful and hating one another.

Titus 3:1-3

We are praying for you!

- Charles Barry - for his physical therapy helping rid him of pain.
Norma Decker - for good health and joy in the Lord.
Rose marie Johnson - for improved health and good sleep.
Don Blackwell - for keeping strpmg while dealing with his life challeges.
Rob Redden - for continued sound Bible lessons he provides over You Tube.
All those with sleep problems - for sleep that gives the blessings of rest and pleasant dreams.

What Can One Person Do?

Joe Slater

Nearly eight billion people now inhabit this planet! What difference can one person (you) make? Oh, sure, the President of the United States is only one person, but he can make a huge difference. A multi-millionaire can make a noticeable difference. But ordinary folks like you or me - do we really matter?

In Matthew 5:13-16 Jesus said, "You are the salt of the earth; but if the salt loses its flavor, how shall it be seasoned? It is then good for nothing but to be thrown out and trampled under foot by men. You are the light of the world. A city that is set on a hill cannot be hidden. Nor do they light a lamp and put it under a basket, but on a lampstand, and it gives light to all who are in the house. Let your light so shine before men, that they may see your good works and glorify your Father in heaven." Our Lord was talking to men whom the world would classify as nobodies. They weren't rich, famous, or highly educated. They were ordinary working-class people. But did they ever make a difference! And so can you and me!

A little salt can go a long way. Just a sprinkle on bland food makes it palatable. But the salt must not remain in the shaker - it must contact the food to produce the desired result.

Just a small light gives guidance in an otherwise pitch-dark room. The psalmist said God's word was a lamp to his feet and a light to his path (Psalm 119:105). As our behavior models God's word and as we share His word with others, we illuminate a world darkened by ignorance and sin.



We pray for all people to seek God and obey his commandments.

As [Peter, James, and John] watched, Jesus' appearance was transformed so that his face shone like the sun, and his clothes became as white as light. Suddenly, Moses and Elijah appeared and began talking with Jesus.

Peter exclaimed, "Lord, it's wonderful for us to be here! If you want, I'll make three shelters as memorials — one for you, one for Moses, and one for Elijah."

But even as he spoke, a bright cloud overshadowed them, and a voice from the cloud said, "This is my dearly loved Son, who brings me great joy. Listen to him." The disciples were terrified and fell face down on the ground.

Then Jesus came over and touched them. "Get up," he said. "Don't be afraid." And when they looked up, Moses and Elijah were gone, and they saw only Jesus.

— **Matthew 17:2-8**

Thought:

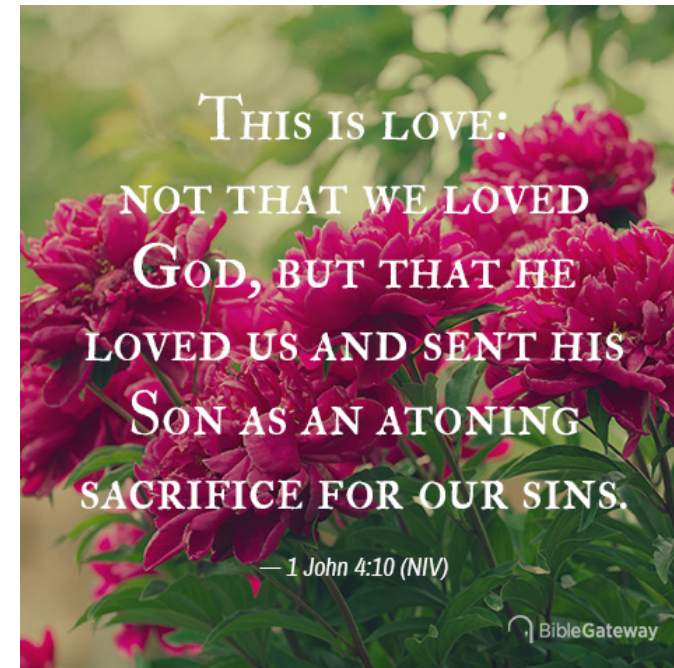
"Listen to him!" With Moses and Elijah present, it's hard for Peter, James, and John to believe that someone who is greater than these Old Testament leaders were, someone who is a better teacher than they were, is there among them. But Elijah and Moses pale in importance when compared to Jesus. So as Jesus' disciples move in to worship these great Old Testament figures, they disappear and the disciples are left with Jesus to lead and guide them in the ways of God. When God gets the disciples' attention, he helps them realize they are in the presence of his Son and there is no one besides Jesus himself who can reveal God's truth. They must listen to him! So must we!

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**"We do not cease to be children
because we are disobedient children."**

— Frederick Denison Maurice —

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Meeting Days and Times

Sunday 9:00 am

Wednesday (via Zoom) Bible Class, singing & prayer - 6:00 pm

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