

Welcome to the church of Christ at Alisal

Sermon for the Lord's Day

“Practical Lessons from Ecclesiastes” (Part 4 of 4)



Welcome Brothers and Sisters!

Charles Barry will lead our **Bible Class** and **Kerry Johnson** will lead us in **Song**, **Paul** is with us to present the **Lesson**. may God bless their efforts!

Our Lord's Day Plan...

~ **Happy Lord's Day** ~

Let us hear the conclusion of the whole matter: Fear God, and keep his commandments: for this is the whole duty of man.

Ecclesiastes 12:13

We are praying for you!

Sweeti Parichha - for her work teaching children and her father's preaching work.

David Z - for good health, study and obedience to Gods Word.

Raymond and Virginia Elott - for good health and strength to carry on Fod's work.

Rosemarie Johnson - for erlief from her nerve and back pain.

Disaster Re;ief Fund - for funds to carry on the work of helping thise in need.

Pray for all people having trouble obeying and/or living the christian life.

Don't Tell Bryce Weiler It's Impossible

Matt Clifton

Inspiring stories of people who succeed against all odds come to our attention all the time, but the case of Bryce Weiler is a little different. The 30-year-old from Claremont, Illinois, is a huge sports fan, and has worked his way up the ladder to be a radio commentator. So far he has called over 150 games in his career. The amazing part of his story is that he is completely blind.

So how does he do it? How does he help bring sporting events to life for radio listeners? Tons of preparation! Before each game, he spends 13-15 hours studying team stats and player bios. He also studies the styles of the commentators he will work with, helping to compliment their way of broadcasting the games. Additionally, he listens to each team's head coach, as well as previous broadcasts of their games. He over-prepares to compensate for his areas of weakness.

What a lesson for us as Christians! If we have a weakness in a particular area of our life, we need to shore it up by giving extra attention to that point. Jesus makes this clear in Matthew 19 when the rich young ruler comes to Him with the question, "Good Teacher, what good thing shall I do that I may have eternal life?" (Matt. 19:16). The Lord tells him to keep the commandments, and the man responds by asking, "Which ones?" After naming six of the commandments, the young man affirmed that he had kept all those, and wanted to know what he still lacked. Jesus instructed him to sell his goods and give to the poor, and to follow Him. The young ruler was not willing to go that far to prepare for eternal life, and went away sorrowful.

If he would have taken that extra step of preparation, the rich young ruler could have had the thing he desired: eternal life. Let's remember to strengthen our weak points so that we can walk with the Lord eternally!

Has God Forgotten Me?

Michael Foresha

April 10, 2022

We live in the land of opportunity. Our cities are overpopulated but yet we feel alone, discouraged and deserted. Has God forgotten me? The children of Israel accused God of this very thing as recorded in (Isaiah 49:14).

Has God forgotten you? Let us examine the evidence. Notice the sparrow, two were sold for a farthing. If you bought four, they included a fifth for free. One could say the fifth one was valueless. However, God has not forgotten even one of them, not one has fallen to the ground without His knowledge. God even remembered the fifth sparrow and we are more valuable than a sparrow (Matt 10:29-31; Luke 12:6-7). Do you know how many hairs are on your head? God has numbered them (Matt 10:30). How many times have you sat down and stood up today? God knows (Psalm 139:2)! Have you ever kept a record of how many tears you have cried? God keeps a record (Psalm 56:8). Has God forgotten you?

The children of Israel accused God of forgetting them. God answered, "Behold, I have graven thee upon the palms of my hands" (Isa. 49:16). One cannot forget something that is right in front of them in the palms of their hands. God has not forgotten you. You are recorded in the palms of His hands.

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Never Too Late

American folk artist Anna Mary Robertson Moses (better known as Grandma Moses) began painting at the age of 78. She completed more than one thousand oil paintings depicting farm life and the rural countryside she knew so well. What a great lesson! It is never too late to start a new venture, especially if it is serving the Lord. *Matt Clifton*

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For Christ's love compels us, because we are convinced that one died for all, and therefore all died. And he died for all, that those who live should no longer live for themselves but for him who died for them and was raised again. —

2 Corinthians 5:14-15



God's creation on Display!

Meeting Days and Times

Sunday 9:00 am

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

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