

Welcome to the church of Christ at Alisal

Sermon for the Lord's Day

**“Contrasting the Two
Covenants (Part 1)”**



Welcome Brothers and Sisters!

Charles Barry will lead our **Bible Class** and **Kerry Johnson** will lead us in **Song**, **Paul McCollum** will present the **Lesson**.

*Our Lord's Day
Plan...* may God bless their efforts!
~ **Happy Lord's Day** ~

*...blotting out the handwriting of ordinances that was against us, which was contrary to us, and took it out of the way, nailing it to his cross;
Colossians 2:14*

We are praying for you!

Rose Johnson - for healing from her back and Siatic nerve problems.

Charles Barry - for God's grace and comfort at this time of life.

David Z - for a successful healing from his foot injury.

Raymond Elliott - for God's Blessings as he serves our God.

Sunil Gollapalli - for God's blessings and support for his work for the Lord.

The Lord's Church - for sharing the Word and being a living example.

God's Blessings to Everyone!

A Parent's Example is Important

Victor Eskew

When I was young, there was a cigarette commercial in which a father was sitting by a tree with his child. He lit a cigarette then set the cigarette package down on the ground. Immediately the small child picked up the package. The lesson was impressive. Little children are watching their parents. Not only are they watching, but they mimic the actions of their parents.

Parents are given to children by God (Ps. 127:3). He expects parents to train their children in the best manner they can (Eph. 6:4). He knows their example is of vital importance. Parents, you need to be what you want your children to become.

Do you want them to be honest? Then you be honest.
Do you want them to be clean in their speech? Then don't cuss.
Do you want them to be calm? Then cease your outbursts of anger.
Do you want them to be sober? Then quit doing alcohol and drugs.
Do you want them to be worshippers of God? Then attend services.
Do you want them to trust in prayer? Then pray in front of them.
Do you want them to have a strong home? Then make yours strong.
Do you want them to care for others? Then be compassionate.
Do you want them to be moral? Then live a virtuous life.
Do you want them to love God? Then keep God's commands.
Do you want them to love their spouse? Then show them how.
Do you want them to work hard? Then don't be lazy.
Do you want them to be responsible? Then quit blaming others.
Do you want them to be positive? Then don't murmur and complain.
Do you want them to go to heaven? Then show them the way.

Your children will become what you are. Think about that! Are you pleased with who you are today? Are you what you want your children to become? If not, perhaps you need to make some big changes in your life.

There is a phrase found in the Bible that speaks to this subject. The phrase

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reads: "He walked in the ways of..." The "he" is the child. He walked in the ways of his father. Sometimes the end result was good because the father was good (2 Chron. 34:2). At other times the end result was awful because the father was awful (2 Chron. 28:2).

If you children walk in your ways, what will be the end result? Will it be good? or, will it be awful? If you are honest you know the real answer.

Parents set the proper example for your children. They will walk in your ways.

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The Power of Our Silent Influence

Mike Riley

On a recent beautiful warm Saturday morning, a Christian friend and I were having breakfast at a local restaurant. At a nearby table, we noticed a young woman sitting quietly reading her Bible. She was absorbed in the text, occasionally looking up to consider what she had read. She never said a word, but her heart and priorities were visible to everyone in that restaurant. It was a gentle, positive, and silent influence.

She was not ashamed of Christ nor of His New Testament (Heb. 9:11-15 KJV). She neither preached a sermon nor sang a song. She was willing to be identified with the Savior, yet she did not need to announce that allegiance.

In our attempts to share the message of Jesus, we must eventually use words, because ultimately words are needed to present the gospel (John 14:23; Acts 2:14 KJV; Acts 11:11-14 KJV; Acts 16:14 ESV; 2 Pet. 3:1-2 KJV; Jude 1:17 KJV). But we can also learn from the example of this woman.

There are times when the quietness of our everyday actions speak louder than our words, revealing our love for the Lord (Phil. 1:21-27). In our desire to share Christ with a sinful world, let's not ignore the power of our silent influence (cf. 1 Thess. 1:5-8).

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A sum can be put right: but only by going back till you find the error and working it afresh from that point, never by simply going on." C.S. Lewis

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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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