

*Welcome to the church of Christ at Alisal*

*The Lord's Day Message*

**“About Moses and Sin”**



**Welcome Brothers and Sisters!**

**Jordan** will lead our **Bible Class**, **Kerry** will lead singing, **Paul McCollum** will deliver the **Message**. May God bless their efforts!

*Our Lord's Day Plan...*

**~ Happy Lord's Day ~**

*For if ye forgive men their trespasses, your heavenly Father will also forgive you:  
Matthew 6:14*

***We are praying for you!***

- Cjarles Barry** - for good health and recovery from the flu.
- Charmin Barry** - for safe travels to and from Virginia.
- Rosemarie Johnson** - for good health and sound sleep.
- Church of Christ** - for strength to preach God's Word to all souls.

***~God's Blessings to Everyone!~***

**Five Wonderful Words**

Edd Sterchi

The 23rd psalm has been a favorite of God's people for thousands of years. It is steeped in the Israelite culture of husbandry. But all through the years it has appealed to people who realize that God is watching over them. Just the first five words alone in the English versions reveal so much, even for us today.

**The** – This is a definite article in reference to God. He is not one of many gods, He is the God. He is the only God.

**Lord** – This indicates that God is our savior. He is the only one who can bring us eternal salvation.

**Is** – This present tense word reveals that God is alive and always with us. He remains all powerful and all loving.

**My** – This shows that God is a personal God. He wants a relationship with us and deals with each us on a most individual, intimate level.

**Shepherd** – This reminds us that God is always guiding, feeding, and protecting us. He will never lead us down the wrong path.

And that's just the first five words of the psalm! Give the rest of it a read with these thoughts in mind, and you will gain the most wonderful feelings of joy, satisfaction, and peace within your heart.



“The sun was warm but the wind was chill. You know how it is with an April day.”  
— Robert Frost

## And Then Some #2

T. Pierce Brown

May I share with you what I tried to teach my grandson about how to live an abundant, successful life? He was about ready for his final little league game. When his daddy was that age, I never saw him play, I shamefully confess. I always had a Bible study or some such thing. However, I decided I would try to help my grandson face the game, and the game of life. I said, "Bryan, do you want to know how to be a winner in every game you play?" He replied, "Yes." Notice that I did not say, "Win every game you play." Nobody wins every game, but I wanted him to know that he could be a winner, even if his team made the lowest score. I said, "Remember, and learn how to practice three little words." Of course, he wanted to know what they were. Do you? I told him, "The words are 'And then some.'"

Then, I tried to explain to him something of what that means. In the life of every man who is judged great by almost any standard one wants to use, we find the practice of that formula. They did all the things that might normally be expected of them – and then some.

The principle was taught and exemplified best by the One who always taught and exemplified everything the best way. Jesus Christ said in Matthew 5:41, "And whoever compels you to go one mile, go with him two" (NKJV). Our Lord always practiced what he taught! Those of you who preach can find illustrations and examples in and out of the Bible for several 15 minutes sermonettes! This one will "lather."

Find an outstanding eldership. It will be doing all that most elders are expected to do – and then some. The preachers who are truly great will never get around to doing what everyone expects of them, for that would take at least 175 [of the 168] hours per week, plus the wisdom of Solomon, the patience of Job, the courage of Daniel and the faith of Abraham. Nevertheless, they will be found doing what might reasonably be expected of them – and then some. Any Christian who truly follows Christ in example and teaching will never be satisfied to do only what all Christians are normally expected to do, such as being present at all the regular services and participating meaningfully in acts of worship. He will find himself doing all that is expected of him – and then some. One reason is found in Luke 17:10, which reads, "So likewise you, when you have done all those things which you are commanded, say, 'We are unprofitable servants. We have done what was our duty to do.'"

I do not mean to imply that we should go beyond what we are commanded except in the sense of the Macedonian church in 2 Corinthians 8:3. The key to it is that when a person does what he can, where he is, with what he has, God will enable him to do what he cannot, where he is not and with what he does not have, as He did with a lad in John 6, whose five loaves and two fish fed 5,000. [No, God will not work something miraculous today, but He will work providentially through willing servants. ~ Louis Rushmore, Editor]...

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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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