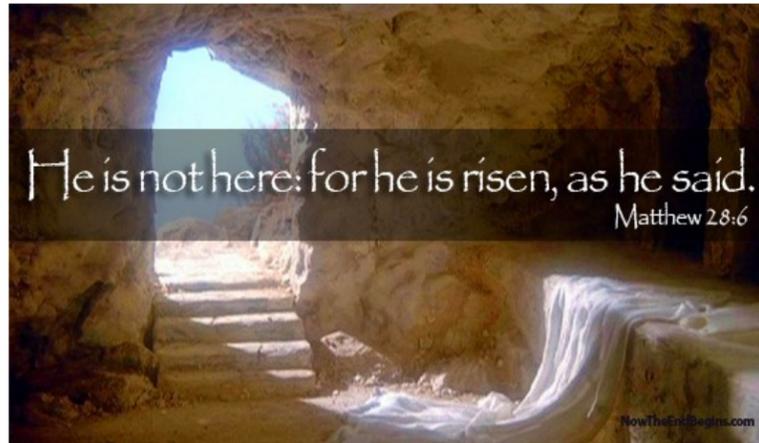




Essex Village Church of Christ



DAILY BIBLE READING - 2017

Sunday, March 12th
Judges 2-4

Monday, March 13th
Judges 5-7

Tuesday, March 14th
Judges 8-10

Wednesday, March 15th
Judges 11-13

Thursday, March 16th
Judges 14-16

Friday, March 17th
Judges 17-20

Saturday, March 18th
Judges 21- Ruth 2

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“Some Bible Verses to Consider When Using Social Media”

By: **Wes McAdams**

March 12, 2017

Facebook, Twitter, and other social media platforms can be beneficial and enjoyable, but only if they are used in a way that honors God. Sadly, we all know there is a lot that happens online which does not honor God; some of it is even done in His name. We must be incredibly careful before we post something. Consider some of these Scriptures when you're using social media.

What better place to learn the wisdom that we need than the book of Proverbs? Here are a few Proverbs for you to consider.

1. Restrain Your Words

“Whoever restrains his words has knowledge, and he who has a cool spirit is a man of understanding. Even a fool who keeps silent is considered wise; when he closes his lips, he is deemed intelligent” (Proverbs 17:27-28). God's people need to know when to say something and when to restrain our words. We need to be people with a “cool spirit,” as opposed to a hot temper.

2. Don't Isolate Yourself

“Whoever isolates himself seeks his own desire; he breaks out against all sound judgement” (Proverbs 18:1). If we're not careful, social media becomes an “echo chamber,” where we only hear voices who agree with us. If someone says something we don't like, we block them or unfriend them. The problem is, some of those voices may be people with “sound judgement.” The only way to grow is to allow those with differing viewpoints to speak into our lives.

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Sermons for Sunday, March 12th

Sunday AM:
GOD'S PLAN OF SALVATION - PART 1

Sunday PM:
GOD'S PLAN OF SALVATION - PART 2

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We *Love* because
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Schedule of Services:

Sunday Morning Bible Class: 9:00 am Sunday Morning Worship: 10:00 am
Sunday Evening Worship: 6:00 pm Wednesday Evening Worship: 7:00 pm

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Week of March 5th

Bible Classes: 67 AM Worship: 118 PM Worship: 46
Wednesday Evening: 32 Contribution: 3,159.00

Military

Jordan Akers Robert Bagley Kristopher Black
RJ Boris Adam Bowles Brandon Boyles
Kimberly Boynton Russell Coble Ryne Collins
James Dalton Ellis Flenoid Steven Hilton
Michael Hilton Matthew Lemieux Katie Bledsoe
Kevin Mitchell Shawn Reynolds Nicholas Ragland

Remember in Prayer

Ken & Sue Adams, friends of Wanda Brown.
Dixie Akers, Royce's sister-in-law, for her health.
Stephen Beels' grandfather had a stroke.
Sydney & Mildred Carter– Sydney is now on round 3 of his chemo treatments.
Maxine Doll has health issues. Maxine is Pam's mother.
Diane Haney, a friend of Jim Lamm's daughter-in-law.
Pete Kenny, Diana Byrd's nephew, is fighting cancer.
Christine Lamm's sister has cancer.
Jim & Esther Lamm - Esther for health & Jim is her caregiver.
Brooklyn Mayer, Dawn White's 4 year old niece, has cancer.
Nell McIntire is Lois Ott's sister and has cancer.
Lloyd McLawhorn to regain his strength.
Chris Newell, Stephen's grandmother, for her health.
Ray Price has congestive heart failure and overall health.
Norman & Twylah Ricker-Norman is recuperating from a skin treatment.
Jill Rush, Ronnie & Sharon's daughter, health issues.
Violet Sharp, Nancy's mom, has Alzheimer's.
Howard Streets for relief of the pain in his knee.
Hoite & Margaret Sullivan, Doris' in-laws, health problems.
Frances Wakeland for her health.
Earl Watson has a mass in his back near kidneys.

PROGRAM OF WORSHIP

Announcements: Bill Ragland
Song Service: Royce Akers
Opening Prayer: Howard Streets
Communion: Larry Polutta
Serving: Larry Polk Norman Ricker
Raymond Boynton Deron Casbeer
Sermon: Allan Hornbuckle
Closing Prayer: Ron Herman

For the Month of March

Elder: Bill Ragland
Communion Preparation: Carrie Jackson
Baptismal Garments: Pam Ragland

VISITS APPRECIATED

Ruby Cooper Esther Lamm Lois Ott Evelyn Pack
Violet Sharp Tex Patton

PLACING MEMBERSHIP

We are pleased to announce that Brian Rucker has expressed his desire to worship & work with us at Essex Village. If you have not had a chance to meet him, please make him feel welcome.

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BULLLETIN BOARD

There is a sign-up sheet on the bulletin board for those willing to volunteer in the nursery.

Please join us on Wednesday evenings @ 6:00 pm for dinner before Bible study.

Hope Lodge: If you are interested in helping to prepare lunch on the last Monday of the month for the Hope Lodge, please see Doris Akers or Raymond Boynton.

Coffee for Troops provides care packages of coffee and snacks to deployed troops overseas. We are sharing a picture of a troop receiving their care package. Thanks to all who support this effort. If you would like to contribute to this effort, please speak to Eric.

Carolina Men's Fellowship: The 19th Annual Carolina Men's Fellowship is scheduled for Saturday, March 11th from 9-3 @ the Gold Hill Road Church of Christ in Fort Mill, SC. The flyer is on the bulletin board for additional information.



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Herman & Michelle
Porter

03/05

Larry & Margeret
Casbeer



03/08

Larry Casbeer

03/13

Courtney Morrow
Norman Ricker
Geraldine Smith

03/23

Eddie Haselden III

03/29

Jason Vance
Michelle Zink

3/31

Jules Dismuke
Naomi Fowler

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3. Take Pleasure in Understanding
“A fool takes no pleasure in understanding, but only in expressing his opinion” (Proverbs 18:2). The application of this passage is obvious, isn't it? Social media has magnified this kind of foolishness. We all want to share our opinion, but we don't want to listen. We don't want to understand. We just want to be heard. It's time for that to change.

4. Don't Dishonor Yourself
“When wickedness comes, contempt comes also, and with dishonor comes disgrace” (Proverbs 18:3). If you post or get “tagged” in something that reveals wicked behavior, don't get upset when people “judge you.” Dishonorable behavior, brings disgrace and contempt.

5. Be a Bubbling Brook
“The words of a man's mouth are deep waters; the fountain of wisdom is a bubbling brook” (Proverbs 18:4). Strive to be a wise presence online. Let your words and the things you share be refreshing and life-giving. Words are so powerful. They can either heal or they can destroy. Choose your words wisely.

6. Don't Invite a Beating
“A fool's lips walk into a fight, and his mouth invites a beating. A fool's mouth is his ruin, and his lips are a snare to his soul” (Proverbs 18:6-7). Don't be the kind of person who invites a virtual or a verbal “beating.” When you share an article that is filled with hateful and derogatory comments about a politician; you know you are going to make that politician's supporters very angry. Ask yourself, is it worth it? Does this really need to be said? Am I being mean, cruel, or hurtful?

7. Don't be Slack in Your Work
“Whoever is slack in his work is a brother to him who destroys” (Proverbs 18:9). Social media can consume so much of our time and energy. Time and energy that might be taking away from work. This Proverb says that when a person is lazy in their job, they're pretty close to being someone who intentionally sabotages the efforts of their team.

8. Don't Answer Before You Hear
“If one gives an answer before he hears, it is his folly and shame” (Proverbs 18:13). One of the things that frustrates me the most on social media is when people comment on articles without actually reading them. The headline of an article will pose a question and people will attempt to answer the question without actually reading the article. We must be people who listen before – and more often than – we speak.

Conclusion

I could go on and on with passages from Proverbs, but I will stop with these. Scripture can shape our lives, if we will let it. It can make us wise and discerning. It can teach us what to post and what to comment. It can teach us when we need to refrain our fingers from typing. I don't know about you, but reading through these passages reminds me that I've made many mistakes and have a long way to go. But we'll know we're on the right track when our online presence is filled with love, joy, peace, patience, kindness, goodness, faithfulness, gentleness, and self-control (Galatians 5:22-23).