July 24, 2011

The Way of the Transgressor Is...

Most would be able to finish quoting this passage. It is found in Proverbs 13:15. "Good understanding giveth favour; but the way of the transgressor is hard." A transgressor is one who is guilty of sin. John writes, "Whosoever committeth sin transgresseth also the law; for sin is the transgression of the law" (1 John 3:4). God's word declares that sin is a hard road to travel. Proverbs 23:29:31 describes the sin of consuming alcohol. Is the way of the drinker hard? Yes, it is.

First, it is hard on the body. Most people who drink would say that they do it to feel better. However, alcohol is not a stimulant but a depressant. It does the opposite of what they desire. The consumption of alcohol is hard on the physiology of the body. Michaele Dunlap, a clinical psychologist, has written an article (http://www.oregoncounseling.org/ArticlesPapers/ Documents/ETOHBIOFx.htm) about alcohol and its effect on the body. From this paper it is evident that alcohol is hard on the liver, the central nervous system, blood, gastrointestinal system, muscles and endocrine system. People, who drink, even socially, think that they are doing no harm to their body. The child of God must remember that he is to do nothing which will harm his body. "What? Know ye not that your body is the temple of the Holy Ghost which is in you, which ye have of God, and ye are not your own? For ye are bought with a price: therefore glorify God in your body, and in your spirit, which are God's" (1 Corinthians 6:19, 20). Regretfully, many find out the hard effects of alcohol on their body when it is too late. Let us teach our children, and show by our example, that alcohol should never touch their lips.

Second, alcohol is hard because of its ability to strip. Certain alcohols are used to remove unwanted paint on furniture. Alcohol that is meant to be consumed is a remover as well. It removes inhibition. Listen to country, rock or any type of music and you will see the removing effect of alcohol (a country song has the words: Tequila makes her clothes fall off). Drinking led to Noah's children looking upon his nakedness (Genesis 9:18-23). Alcohol removed Lot's sense of fatherhood (Genesis 19:30-38). How often has alcohol stripped a person of their dignity? Commercials depict that alcohol offers one a taste of the good life. However, they don't show you the person wallowing in their own vomit. How many parents have been removed from their children because a person decided to drive while under the influence of alcohol? Alcohol related deaths are in the tens of thousands! How many have been removed from their jobs because of alcohol. Have you heard about the repeated news reports about the boozing during lunch breaks by the auto workers in Detroit? Brethren, may we never be fooled by the devil when it comes to the use of alcohol. Too many things are removed by alcohol!

Finally and most importantly, alcohol is hard because sin will cause us to be lost eternally. Paul says that the sin of drunkenness will cause one not to enter heaven (Galatian 5:19-21). The first drink of alcohol begins to have an effect. Many are willing to risk the pleasure of drinking alcohol at the expense of eternity (Hebrews 11:25). To the

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Welcome to the services of the Grandview Pines church of Christ

We are thankful to be able to gather to worship our God (John 4:24). Visitors, please take time to fill out a card and place it in the collection plate. If you have questions about what you see or hear we would be glad to answer them after the service. We hope all leave edified and uplifted.

Bible Study

Sunday Morning

We are studying the book of Colossians.

Teacher: George Vinson

Wednesday Night

We are studying the book of John Teacher: Terry Claunch

4th Monday Night - July 25th

We are studying the different versions of the Bible and their accuracy.

Teacher: Lary Sadler

Youth Devotional

The Claunches will be hosting the youth devotional downstairs in the fellowship hall after evening services tonight. Boys should bring drinks, and girls should bring chips and/or desserts.

Barnabas Board

We want to encourage everyone to use the board in the foyer is for posting notes of edification, thanks, etc.

Our Condolences

June Stringer's brother George Uptain passed away. The funeral is this afternoon at 2pm at Leak Memory Chapel.

Moving Help

The Ashley family will be arriving in Millbrook on Friday afternoon. If anyone can help unload the truck on Saturday it would be appreciated. We will announce the time once it is determined.

Deacon Selection

1 Timothy 3: 8-13 Continue to pray as the congregation goes through the process of selecting deacons. May all that we do bring honor and glory to God.

Cell Phone Usage

Please silence cell phones so our worship services will not be interrupted. Please do not be disrespectful to God and those assembled by sending or receiving messages during class and worship. Thank you for your help in this matter.

5th Sunday Services

All young Christian men are to meet next Sunday afternoon at 3:30 to prepare for our 5th Sunday Services.

Wedding Shower

There will be a wedding shower / reception for Tom and Diane following evening services on Sunday, August 7th. Refreshments will be provided. See Myra or Brittney for further details.

School Supplies

Please bring all listed items in a bag and give to Jason Hall by August 1st.

12ct. #2 Pencils
2pks Notebook paper wide rule
2 - 12 oz school glue
2pks - 24ct Crayons
9x12 50ct. Asst. Construction Paper
5" Fiskar Scissors
3 ring binder 2" wide
3 Hole binder pencil bag
Pencil sharpener with catcher
Ruler with inches and centimeters

Youth Devotional Sign-up List

A new sign-up sheet for our fourth Sunday youth devotionals has been placed in the foyer.

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Corinthians (1 Corinthians 6:9-11) Paul said that the unrighteous would not inherit the kingdom of God. One of those unrighteous acts involved being drunk. Paul says that is what some of them used to be, but no longer. If someone has been a drunk is it okay for them to drink a little. All alcohol recovery programs say that one must stop completely or else risk a relapse. One will never become a drunk without taking the first drink. Too many have thought they could handle their liquor only to learn it is a terrible master (Romans 6:12). Are you willing to lose your soul (Matthew 16:26) in order to gain the appeal of the world (Galatians 1:10)?

Yes, sin makes the life of the transgressor hard but Jesus is here to make life easier (John 10:10; Matthew 11:28-30). If you will give your life to Christ through obedience (faith, repentance, confession of Jesus and baptism) to the gospel (1 Peter 1:22) you can be saved. Are you living faithfully (Revelation 2:10) to Jesus? Make your life right with God so that heaven can be your eternal home.

Terry Claunch

Prayer List

(in alphabetical order by last name)

Ray Berry - (Nephew of R. Price) had Continue to pray for him. foot amputated & is in fair condition. Addison Hall - will be going in for she still needs prayers and support. Recovering at home.

nursing home in Heber Springs, AR.

David Brown - (Mont. Police officer) - Fredrick Harbaugh - Continuing to Mickey Thomas - (former member) recovering from serious motorcycle deal with illness. accident.

Nursing Home, RM 212

Kim Claunch - at home. She and the Tim Johnson - (G. Shelton's uncle) is Recovering at Amy's house. baby are doing better. She visits the undergoing cancer treatments. doctor once a week now.

Russell Cooper - (B. Little's brother)

Wanda Cooper - (Ben Cooper's visits. mother) recovering from severe Holly Sadler (Jay's wife) diagnosed James Woodruff - Knee replacement allergic reaction.

Joel Couch - (baby of Josh and Rayford Lee - (J. Sadler's father-in- Lisa Wright - Traveling this week. Couch - friends of C. law) Amanda Harvell) suffering from a seizure affecting disorder that's development.

Jerry Davidson - (Director of Guyana missions) Parkinson's Disease.

Charles Dobbins - (friend of the May family) under hospice care.

Vicki Dobbins - (friend of the May ailments. family) had surgery on left shoulder at home recovering.

Jerry Ellison - has not felt good lately Sydney Fuller - (G. Fuller's bother) Recovering has two inoperable aneurisms.

tests in October.

gall stones.

Linda Bush - Prattville Rehab & mother) Returned home from chemo illness. treatments.

Katie King - Room 308, 95 Charlton Juanita Waggoner - (M. Stinson's Place, Old Prattville Hwy. Would like aunt) advanced stage of Parkinson's

with diabetes and liver damage.

Buddy Little - recovering from bypass Basic Training. surgery.

Johnny Maddox - (son of Fay -Matthew Cooper (Basic—AIT) Morrison) suffered a heart attack. He
-Britt Shores (Afghanistan) is at home. Fay is staying with him.

Walter & Cheryl May - (R. May's parents) both facing

Peggy Rice - (Janice Claunch's -Matthew Martin mother)

Tim Rice - (Janice Claunch's brother) Afghanistan. from appendectomy surgery.

June Stringer - Arm has healed, but

Tina Tatum - Waiting for an Lee Bowren - (A. Sadler's mother) in Myra Hall - expecting & dealing with appointment with the liver clinic at UAB to determine further treatment.

Room 313 Prattville Rehab.

Marilyn Hatcher - (E. Howard's Amy Turner - continuing to deal with

Andy Turner (Amy's son) blood clot.

Kevin Turner - ALS

Disease.

surgery on the 26th.

Garret Young - Heart problems at

Military personnel & their families

-Keith Golden (Goldens' son)

physical -Joshua Corey - deployed

-Joel Jackson

-Stewart Burkey - deployed for

emergency -Todd Wheeler - being deployed -Garrett Young at Basic Training

... but in everything by prayer and supplication with thanksgiving let your requests be made known unto God. Philippians 4:6

Do You Know Your Bible?

This Week's Question

Where are the conversion accounts in the Bible?

Answer to Last Week's Questions

How was Elijah fed at the Cherith Ravine? 1 Kings 17

Ravens brought him food.

Elders:

Terry Claunch	285-4142
Glenn Fuller	365-4923
Lary Sadler	285-7455

Preacher:

Terry Claunch

Study	285-6327
Home	285-4142
Cell	313-1539

Work of Evangelism:

Home Bible Studies
Bible Correspondence Studies
Biblical Tracts
Staton & Tutwiler Prisons
Sermon CDs & Cassettes
Gospel Broadcasting Network

Work of Benevolence:

Food Pantry
Guyana Missions - Summerdale
Congregation
1st Sun. singing - Autumn Place
2nd Sun. singing - Merry Wood Lodge
Clothes for Panama
Eye Glasses for Thailand
Assistance to those in need

Work of Edification:

Sunday

3rd Monday			
Wednesday			

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Where We Meet

165 Deatsville Hwy, Millbrook, AL, 36054

Privileged to Serve			
Sunday Worship Services			
	Today: July 24th	Next Week: July 31st	
AM Service			
Announcements	George Vinson	Sammie Girod	
Song Leader	Jeremy Claunch	Ben Cooper	
Opening Prayer	Glenn Fuller	Kevin Moody	
Scripture Reading	Brandon Gonzalez 1 Cor. 2:1-9	Trey Harvell 1 Cor. 1:18-25	
Lord's Table - Head	Sammie Girod	Lary Sadler	
Lord's Table - Serve	Doug Stabler Nick Girod Ben Cooper Lary Sadler	Jim Cox Jason Hall Alex Stinson Ricky Obert	
Closing Prayer	Tom Young	Luke Wright	
PM Service			
Announcements	George Vinson	Sammie Girod	
Song Leader	Jeremy Claunch		
Opening Prayer Lord's Table	Lary Sadler Sammie Girod	Worship Service Conducted by Young Men	
Closing Prayer	Jim Ezekiel		
Sunday Helpers' List			
Foyer Attendant	Tom Young	Charles Price	
Greeters	Jackie Conyers Toni Colquitt	Charles Price Rosie Price	
Nursery Attendant	Patricia Abrams	Pansy Weldon	
Shut-In Communion	Kevin Moody	Trey Harvell	
Wednesday Bible Study			
	This Week: July 27th	Next Week: August 3rd	
Song Leader	George Vinson		
Invitation	Alex Stinson	TBD	
Closing Prayer	Jeremy Claunch		
If you cannot meet your scheduled duty & cannot find a replacement,			

please contact Jim Hammonds.

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