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I Cor. 12:18-20 - "But now God has set the members, each one of them, in the body just as He pleased. And if they were all one member, where would the body be? But now indeed there are many members, yet one body."

John 13:35 - "By this all will know that you are My disciples, if you have love for one another."

8. When problems arise in the local congregation, ask yourself: "Am I part of the problem, part of the solution, or merely a critical spectator?"

Galatians 6:1 - "Brethren, if a man is overtaken in any trespass, you who are spiritual restore such a one in a spirit of gentleness, considering yourself lest you also be tempted."

If we concentrate daily on improving and maintaining proper attitudes, we will have the greatest influence for good in both the church and the world.

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### How to Have Eternal Security

Have you ever thought of the number of things and products that are described with the word "security"? The word certainly describes something only the careless would shun. Officers patrolling a property are called security guards.

Security lighting is an asset to them as well as the property owner. Security doors are designed to not only deter but to prevent uninvited entry by the unwelcome. Some types of investments are called securities, while Social Security was designed to provide a sufficient supplement to the retiring. We could name a lot more, but it's already become clear that we're a people who want to feel secure about all important matters.

Those looking by faith beyond this world are also thoughtful of the importance of eternal security. Such a thing can be had if we approach the matter from the Lord's point of view. At John chapter ten, Jesus began at verse twenty-seven to describe His proverbial sheep as the ones who heard His voice and followed Him. Under these conditions, Jesus promised that these would not perish, but receive eternal life. Further, He stated that no third party could undo that arrangement against the will of the obedient child who trusted Jesus for redemption.

However, this eternal security is not promised under all circumstances; as a matter of fact, it is promised in no circumstance at all with the exception of the one described at John chapter ten. This shouldn't cause us any great distress, though, for the circumstances described by Jesus are really quite enough.

Any one wishing to approach the Lord and claim His promise based on other terms is not listening well to what Jesus is saying, and perhaps lacks the love for the Lord and respect for His word that should characterize any obedient believer.

Jesus knows you as His sheep as long as you hear His voice and follow Him. Should you cease to hear His voice, you will, of course, not follow. On the other hand, some hear His voice and still don't follow for the cause of worldly distraction or stubborn rebellion, or both. Many go astray this way.

At First Peter chapter two, we're told at verse twenty-five of those who strayed like sheep, but returned to the shepherd and bishop of their souls. Would you come to Christ the Good Shepherd, or return to Him, as the case may be? Hear His voice. Follow His commands. He'll know you as His sheep as long you do so, and grant you the security of life eternal. *David Hayes Prophater*

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In the beginning was the Word, and the Word was with God, and the Word was God. He was with God in the beginning. Through him all things were made; without him nothing was made that has been made. In him was life, and that life was the light of men. The light shines in the darkness, but the darkness has not understood it. (John 1:1-5)

MEETING UPON THE FIRST DAY OF THE WEEK  
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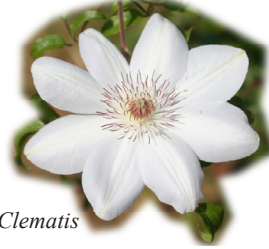
# Welcome

Good Morning Brothers and Sisters!

## This Week's Sermon's

A.M. - Prophecies Fulfilled -1

P.M. - Prophecies Fulfilled -2



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### Improving Attitudes in the Church

It is impossible to overestimate the importance of attitude. A proper, positive attitude will enable one to make the best of a difficult situation, but a poor, negative attitude will show its sourness even in the best of situations. Although many circumstances in life are often out of our control, attitude is one thing that we have complete power over. Below is a list of eight suggestions, with some related Scriptures to reflect upon, for improving our attitudes as Christians.

1. Since you are not perfect, tell yourself over and over that you would not fit into a "perfect" congregation if such existed.

Romans 3:23 - "For all have sinned and fall short of the glory of God."

Romans 7:22,23 - "For I delight in the law of God according to the inward man. But I see another law in my members, warring against the law of my mind, and bringing me into captivity to the law of sin which is in my members."

2. Instead of being disheartened by worldly members of the church, thank God for the sincere, dedicated, spiritual Christians that you are blessed to know.

Philippians 1:3-5 - "I thank my God upon every remembrance of you, always in every prayer of mine making request for you all with joy, for your fellowship in the gospel from the first day until now."

I Thessalonians 1:2-4 - "We give thanks to God always for you all, making mention of you in our prayers, remembering without ceasing your work of faith, labor of love, and patience in hope in our Lord Jesus Christ in the sight of our God and Father, knowing, beloved brethren, your election by God."

3. If you are old, treat the young with the consideration you desired as a young person. If you are young, treat adults with the respect you will want when you are mature.

Matthew 7:12 - "Therefore, whatever you want men to do to you, do also to them, for this is the Law and the Prophets."

I Thessalonians 5:15 - "See that no one renders evil for evil to anyone, but always pursue what is good both for yourselves and for all."

I Timothy 5:1,2 - "Do not rebuke an older man, but exhort him as a father, younger men as brothers, older women as mothers, younger women as sisters, with all purity."

4. When you are tempted to criticize others or retaliate over a wrong you have suffered, be sure to pray earnestly for them first. This may not change them, but it will do

wonders for your attitude.

I Thessalonians 5:16-18 - "Rejoice always, pray without ceasing, in everything give thanks; for this is the will of God in Christ Jesus for you."

Philippians 4:5-7 - "Let your gentleness be known to all men. The Lord is at hand. Be anxious for nothing, but in everything by prayer and supplication, with thanksgiving, let your requests be made known to God; and the peace of God, which surpasses all understanding, will guard your hearts and minds through Christ Jesus."

Romans 12:17,18 - "Repay no one evil for evil. Have regard for good things in the sight of all men. If it is possible, as much as depends on you, live peaceably with all men."

5. When you see a work neglected, instead of complaining, offer to help.

Philippians 2:14 - "Do all things without complaining and disputing."

Galatians 6:2 - "Bear one another's burdens, and so fulfill the law of Christ."

Galatians 6:9,10 - "And let us not grow weary while doing good, for in due season we shall reap if we do not lose heart. Therefore, as we have opportunity, let us do good to all, especially to those who are of the household of faith."

6. Never blame others for your own failures; take responsibility.

Galatians 6:5 - "For each one shall bear his own load."

II Corinthians 5:10 - "For we must all appear before the judgment seat of Christ, that each one may receive the things done in the body, according to what he has done, whether good or bad."

7. Work to grow closer to each Christian in the local congregation, and try to serve each one.

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## Announcements

1. Brother David will be giving the invitation this Wednesday evening.

Today - Fellowship Potluck and Men's business Meeting - Please join us!

And,

Evening sermon after the Potluck!

~ On the Prayer list

**Kerry Johnson** - healing from his leg and knee injury.

**Judy McCollum** - for knee pain due to arthritis..

**Beverly Pereria**- healing from her stroke.

**Bobby Glover** - to successfully teach others about Jesus while in prison.

**Michael White** - for helping others as he serves his time.

**Our country** - and President Trump and our leaders.

**All the saints** - and the knowledge and zeal to teach those who are outside the body of Christ.

GOOD MORNING