

He Humbled Himself

By Kevin Cauley

A little humility can turn a frown into a smile; a lot of humility can turn an enemy into a friend. The Bible teaches these truths. Paul wrote of Jesus, "And being found in appearance as a man, He humbled Himself and became obedient to the point of death, even the death of the cross" (Philippians 2:8). What happened at the cross? Enemies were made friends. "For if when we were enemies we were reconciled to God through the death of His Son, much more, having been reconciled, we shall be saved by His life" (Romans 5:10). Jesus is our example; so, how can we do what He did in our lives?

Humility does not react. A lot of times the first thing we want to do with negative people is react to them with our own negativity. This doesn't help the situation. It just creates a downward spiral of resentment on both parties, and unproductive arguments ensue. Instead of reacting, be proactive by putting your own concerns on the back burner for a few minutes and listening actively to the other party. Listening is the humble thing to do (James 1:19).

Humility does not self-justify. When we are accused of wrongdoing, we want to defend ourselves and prove our righteousness. This leads to dissension. We must remember that it is God who justifies (makes us righteous), not us (Romans 8:33). What does this mean? It means that we don't have to explain ourselves to unjust accusers. Instead of self-justifying, try asking pertinent questions such as: "Why do you feel like this?", and "How can I help you resolve this situation?" These questions don't implicate but help to mollify. Remember, "blessed are the peacemakers" (Matthew 5:9). Humility seeks peace.

Serving AM & PM today and next Sunday AM:

Sunday Rotation	September 24, 2023 AM	September 24, 2023 PM	October 1, 2023 AM
Greeter	Jerry Thompson		Dustin DeSarro
Announcements	Duane Kemp	John McGiffin	Jason Bang
Song Leading	Mike Illinik	Duane Kemp	
Opening Prayer/Usher Left	Tom Muter	Jerry Thompson	Seth Arrell
Lord's Supper Comments		Tom Muter	Jerry Thompson
Scripture Reading	Seth Arrell	Tim Bang	Duane Kemp
Sermon	John McGiffin	John McGiffin	John McGiffin
Closing Prayer/Usher Right	Chris McGiffin		Tim Bang

Things you should know about...

We are sending donations to the Disaster Relief Fund quarterly. If you'd like to contribute, mark it as "DRF" or give the money to Jason. The next donation will be sent after the end of September.

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**HAPPY
BIRTHDAY**

Laura McGiffin 9/29	Jackson Allen 10/5	Addy Bang 10/21
Tom Muter 9/29	Tim Bang 10/5	Dianna Bang 10/27
Rick Ferris 9/30	Joyce Metcalf 10/9	

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You can watch our updated livestream online via Facebook or at www.greenvillecoc.org

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**Congratulations to our 2023 Chili cook-off winner,
Michelle Buckingham!**

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*Ladies Bible Study - The Crown
THIS Thursday, September 28th @ 6:45pm*

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Men's Meeting, Saturday October 21st @ 9am

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House to House, Heart to Heart Workshop:

Training the Saved to Teach the Lost

October 25th-27th @ 6:30pm each evening

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*Fall Harvest Party @ the Thompson's
Saturday, October 28th*

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This week's Bible Verse

“Let Your mercy, O Lord, be upon us, just as we hope in You.” Psalm 33:22

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Lord's Supper Reflection

To Destroy the Works of the Devil

“Little children, let no one deceive you. He who practices righteousness is righteous, just as He is righteous. He who sins is of the devil, for the devil has sinned from the beginning. For this purpose the Son of God was manifested, that He might destroy the works of the devil.” 1 John 3:7-8

Offering Meditation

Jacob recognized God's Providence and gives back a portion

“Then Jacob made a vow, saying, “If God will be with me, and keep me in this way that I am going, and give me bread to eat and clothing to put on, so that I come back to my father's house in peace, then the LORD shall be my God. And this stone which I have set as a pillar shall be God's house, and of all that You give me I will surely give a tenth to You.” Genesis 28:20-22

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Remember in Prayer:

- *Our Country & leaders
- *Phyllis Caldwell - recovering from a fall
- *Rena Morgan - Shut in, health
- *Ernst & Helen Sherrill (Bro/Sis in Christ from TN) - shut ins with ongoing health issues
- *Larry Bey - dealing with Parkinson's
- *Orville Thompson (Jerry Thompson's dad) - health
- *Maxine Jones (Laura McGiffin's mom) - dementia and health
- *Debby Braefield (Alena Brown's Aunt) - health
- *Pamela Illnick (Amie Allen's mom) - health
- *Terry McGiffin (John McGiffin's dad) - health & stability/balance issues, also keep Doreen in prayer as his caregiver
- *Bill Wallace (brother at Tipp City Church of Christ) - undergoing new cancer treatments
- *Lori Payne (friend of Michelle Buckingham) - is recovering from complications with a recent surgery and needing help managing family and day to day tasks

- *Luanne Listner (wife of Tim Bang's friend) - recovering from surgery for kidney stones
- *Wyatt (Lisa Miller's 9 yr old nephew) - had surgery on his eye due to a fall, no eyesight at this time, more surgeries to come
- *The Bang's are travelling today

How can we be praying for YOU?

Please call or email John (jmcgiffin.yayo@gmail.com) with any prayer requests or announcements you have for the congregation.

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Attendance and Contribution Record

Sunday, September 17

Bible Classes 24
AM Attendance 36
PM Attendance

Wednesday, September 20

Bible Classes 24
Contribution \$1,454.50



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September 24, 2023

Worship Times:

Sunday Morning Bible class: 9:30am

Sunday Morning Worship: 10:30am

Sunday Evening Worship: 6:00pm

Wednesday Evening Bible Study: 7:00pm

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