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Who Are YOUR Heroes? (Part Two)

by Dave Rogers

The reason we need "heroes" today is to provide alternatives: Not every parent is the kind of parent God wants him or her to be! Role models can be bad OR good, and when a child has a bad example set before it, the influence of a "hero" may be the only hope of directing that child's life in a better path.

Fathers should deliberately try to **NOT** be like Aaron, Eli, or Samuel. These men were great servants of God (Eli even did a pretty good job rearing Samuel), but they all neglected to correct and restrain their own children! Their sons grew up corrupt and died because of their sins. Now it's TOO LATE for them to undo their mistakes! As Abraham told the rich man (Luke 16:31), there is no going back. Fathers are the models on which most men are made, and God's plan is for them to "nurture and admonish" their children in His truth (Ephesians 6:4)! Once the pattern is established, there is little likelihood a son will turn aside from it; truly, "as the twig is bent, so the tree is inclined."

In just the same way, Mamas should teach their daughters to love and respect the examples of noble Vashti and Esther, and **not** follow the models of Jezebel or Salome (1 Kings 19:2, Mark 6:21-24). In Vashti's day, the king demanded she do something that violated a basic principle of modesty. Some scholars believe that all the king wanted was for her to remove the veil over her face! Regardless of the specific details, what he demanded of her was considered patently **immodest** (to show publicly what was supposed to be her husband's alone). Refusing cost her throne, her place in court. **QUESTION:** How many "Christian" mamas would have urged their daughters "you take off your veil and anything else the king wants!"?

Many parents now seem to follow the examples of Eli, Ahab, Jezebel, and Salome! The lessons they instill in their precious children focus more on material things (1 John 2:15) and the "pride of life" (1 John 2:16) than on eternity (Matthew 6:33).

1. One avers with haughty voice, *"I'm teaching my daughter to be her husband's EQUAL!"* (not meaning "equal in value before God," but demanding the "right" to do everything he does, regardless of bible teaching).
2. Others teach, by word and example, that their children **must** "Do whatever is necessary" to get what they want, to be popular with "important" folks, to "succeed" by the world's standards.
3. It is a shame to see parents **encourage** children to participate in activities that place them in circumstances of temptation and pressure to sin, just so they "won't feel left out" (of sin).
4. These situations are not uncommon even among Christian parents, and they raise a serious question:

Have we lost our MINDS?

Christian fathers and mothers, let's work harder at respecting the inspired words of James 4:4, that "friendship with the world is enmity with God." The word "enmity" means that one is **hostile toward God,** has become His **enemy**. How does worldly popularity or "success" make sense if the price they must pay is becoming the devil's ALLY?

(More to come)

The Value of Worship

by Ben Bailey

In January 2000, Barna Research Group published a survey concerning church attendance that was very alarming. Their survey showed that only 40% of American adults attend church services on a typical weekend (www.barna.org). How shocking that 6 out of every 10 people don't attend church services regularly! Of the sixty percent who don't attend church regularly, an estimated twenty percent either don't believe in God or have no desire for religion. But what about the other forty percent who don't attend? These may not attend church services regularly because they have not released the inherent value of worship. What makes worship so valuable?

Our Creator. A knowledge of and a personal relationship with God makes worship essential to the Christian life. It is in worship that we praise and magnify God for who He is and what He has done for us (John 4:24). When worshipping God we realize our purpose in life is to glorify Him in every way (Isaiah 43:7). It is this close communion with God that makes us humble ourselves and focus on eternity (James 4:10; Ecclesiastes 12:13-14). The Lord's brother sums it up by saying, "Draw near to God and He will draw near to you" (James 4:8).

Our Bible. Studying the Bible makes worship an invaluable time for us. Job said, "I have treasured Your words more than my necessary food" (Job 23:12). Our Lord encouraged us to "hunger and thirst after righteousness" (Matthew 5:6). Many people today are starving for spiritual food. Worshipping God through the study and preaching of His word is one way we can fill this void. Please not that in the Bible, worship is not an option it is a must (John 4:23-24).

Our Impact. The impact of worship on our own lives and the lives of those whom we contact makes worship vital. Studies show that those who go to worship live longer. The factors for this longevity of life are prayer, stress relief, inward peace and acceptance. Man has always tried to find ways to make life longer. Here is one proven way to increase the length of one's life. Studies also show that the impact worship has on our children is essential. Barna Research Group found that 61% of those who attended church regularly as a child still attend regularly as an adult. But sadly 78% of those who were not taken to church as a child do not go to church regularly as an adult. For the sake of your own soul and the souls of your children please attend worship where the truth is taught.

Think About It!

"The Bible doesn't talk about the world's culture – it prepares us for it, by focusing **our** thoughts and attention on **Jesus**."

"What should Christians do about unholy actions by civil governments and ungodly officials? **Live like Christians** (and show them what they ought to be!). The impact of first-century Christianity on the Roman Empire was greater in many ways than Rome's impact on the church; between the first and third centuries, Christianity went from a persecuted illegal religion to the "official" religion of the Roman Empire."

Thank You!

Thank you to our elders for allowing me some time away last week, to attend the Focal Point Preacher's Workshop in Texas. It was a long drive and a long week, but very encouraging and well worth it! Dave Rogers

G.S.O.P. Summer 2016 Short Courses at Piedmont Road church of Christ

June 16-18 1-2 Peter,
Instructor, Eric Owens

July 21-23 The Godhead,
Instructor, Phil Sanders

Family Matters

Equillar Butler – Is in Southern Regional Hospital Rehab, room 317.
Becky Higginbotham – May need further surgery in June.
Roy Cox - Donna Hagan's father will have a bone marrow biopsy.
Greta Newsome - Jill Nash's sister is recovering from a mild stroke.
Norma Tolle - Lewis Armstrong's cousin is recovering from shoulder surgery.
Doug Hinely - Kelly Nash Hinely's father-in-law has cancer.

Members With Health Problems: Missy Campbell, Theresa Green, Bob Howell, Ruby Fowler, Bill Benton, Shirley Jones, Lucille Amon, Becky Higginbotham, Marlene Etheridge, RuPearl Sharpe, Mattie Williams, Sally Wallace, Brenda Mitchell, Bernice Gillespie, Maylon Swann, Hick & Estell Higginbotham, Una Fortson, David & Shirley Lee, Butch & Joann Trawick, Forrest & Burma Chapman

Shut-ins: Valorye Whittaker, Annette Benefield, Lillian Gray, David Nash, Audrey Shaw, Jane Lankford, Joe Clark & Frances Elder

Others With Health Problems: Allen Baker (Linda Howell's nephew), Terry Crump, Ronnie Johnson, Harry Johnson & Joanne Daugherty (David & Wayne Nash's B-in-L & Sister), Carol Bomar (Charity Nash's aunt), Cathy Cavenden (Tiffany Durden's M-in-L), Suzanne Oderry (friend of Gayle Pelfrey), Dylan Carter (11 month-old daughter of the Hagins' friends), Loretta Russell (Ray's mother), Joyce Greene (Denise's mother), Pamela Morris (Mitchell's friend), Nelda Hayes (Jack Sorrell's aunt), Tom Holcomb and Jean Benefield (Annette Benefield's S-in-L and D-in-L), Nancy Ford (Joann Crook's sister), Virginia Poskevich (David's mother), Xernonia Fortson (Una's daughter), Eddie & Lil Cauthen (Joan Poskevich's B-i-L/S-i-L), Joe Hand (Jim Scoma's B-in-L) and Marvin Cook (Jean Johnson's brother)

Prayer Requested – Jamie & Jason Campbell (Sylvester & Missy's sons).

Military Members Deployed: Rosa Bell, ECC—A, New Kabul Compound (NKC), APO AE 09354
AM3 Candace Butts (Connie Elder's daughter), US Navy

FEMA: Sylvester Campbell has been deployed to Louisiana for a few months.

Dear Brothers and Sisters in Christ,
Hick and I want to thank you for all the kindness you have shown us. The calls, visits, all the wonderful food and especially all the prayers that have been sent for us.
God Bless you and continue to pray that Hick may soon be well.

Love Hick & Estell

Welcome two new families into our church family.

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Calendar

May 14-15 – Rose Show
May 20 – SilverWings Trip to The Antiquity Center in LaGrange, GA, cost is $15.00 plus lunch at Cracker Barrel. The bus will leave the building at 10am. Please sign up by Sunday.
May 22 – Lauren Sorrell's Bridal Shower at 2:30 pm. The couple is registered at Target and Macy's.
May 29 - Service Sunday. We will have a covered dish lunch followed by a brief devotional and service groups.
May 30 – Office Closed for Memorial Day
June 5 – Jordan Pyron's Bridal Shower at 2:30 pm
June 14 – Tuesday Ladies' Night Out hosted by Linda Howell and Annette Benefield
June 17 - SilverWings Dinner, hosted by Teri Durden & Susie Graham
June 26 – Singing @ Hope Center, 2 pm
July 10-13 – VBS "The Voyage". Teachers are needed.
Aug 4-13 – Scotland Mission Trip
Aug 17 – Graham McDonald USA Visit
Aug 19-25 – Polishing the Pulpit Week
September 18-21 – Fall Gospel Meeting, Speaker: Joey Barkley
October 7-8 – Ladies' Retreat at Calvin Center. Please let Luann Rogers know if you would like to help organize it. If you plan to attend, *please sign up*; the cost will be $80.00 for overnight (Dinner & Lunch) and $15.00 for Saturday.

2016 VBS
July 10th-13
The VOYAGE

Area Events:
May 15-18 - Tara Church of Christ Gospel Meeting, Speaker: Melvin Otey
May 15-19 - Lithia Springs Church of Christ Gospel Meeting, Speaker: Michael Shelherd
May 20-21—Leadership Seminar at Forest Park Church of Christ, Instructor, David Shannon

Youth Events

May 14 - Bremen Church of Christ Youth Day
May 22—Area Wide Youth Devo at Peachtree City COC. The bus will leave the building at 4:30pm.
May 31 - God's Ranch, all ages
June 7 & 9 - Puppet Practice, ages 5-19
June 6-10 - Girl's Day Camp at McDonough Church of Christ
June 14 - God's Ranch, Flag Day, ages 5-99
June 12-17 – Camp Inagehi Week
June 24 - God's Ranch Movie Night, ages 5-99
June 24 – Church of Christ Day at Six Flags
June 28 & 30 - Puppet Practice, ages 5-19
July 10-13 – VBS "The Voyage"
July 10 –15 - Connections 16—Future Leaders Training Camp , RISE UP, Young Men Grades 6-12, at McDonough Church of Christ

WORSHIP ASSIGNMENTS

Call To Worship	5/15	5/22	5/29
Scripture Reading	Zeke Poskevich	Jordan Madison	Zeke Poskevich
Prayer	Paul Lyons	Larry Rose	Curtis Hurt
Song Leader			
Preside Lord's Supper	Rick Sharpe	Hugh Kelly	Rick Sharpe
Server	Shirley Allender	Shirley Allender	Shirley Allender
Server	Randal Bell	Randal Bell	Randal Bell
Server	Ray Russell	Ray Russell	Ray Russell
Server	Gayle Pelfrey	Gayle Pelfrey	Gayle Pelfrey
Server	Jake Garner	Jake Garner	Jake Garner
Server	Jimmy Garner	Jimmy Garner	Jimmy Garner
Server	Morris Jones	Morris Jones	Morris Jones
Server	Cliff Nash	Cliff Nash	Cliff Nash
Sermon	Dave Rogers	Dave Rogers	Dave Rogers
Response Elder	Greg Nash	Greg Nash	Greg Nash
Announcements	Greg Nash	Greg Nash	Greg Nash
Song			
Closing Prayer	Jim Garner	Jim Pelfrey	Tom Durden
Evening Service			
Prayer	Hugh Kelly	Anthony Stinson	David Riley
Sermon	Dave Rogers	Song Service	Service Sunday
Server	Ron Biles	Morris Jones	Anthony Ravenell
Server	Bob Howell	Brad Hopkins	Rick Sharpe
Closing Prayer	Jimmy Garner	Gayle Pelfrey	Jim Obrien

Communion Preparation
Linda Howell
Nursery
15 Susan Fincher, 22 Gail Chapman
29 Michelle Chapman
Care of Building
16-31 Paul Lyons/David Poskevich
Ushers
15 Michael Madison/Thomas Quinn
22 Larry Rose/Bob Howell
29 Ron Biles/Jack Sorrell
Media Center Helpers
15 & 22 Brad Hopkins
Open Arms
15 Linda Johnson, Jo Hurt, Estell Higginbotham, Linda Armstrong, Thomas & Meggi Quinn
22 Jo Ruffer, Margaret McCain, Sandy Garner, Theresa Green, Paul & Decieta Lyons
29 Susie Graham, Zeke Poskevich, Barbara Edmonds, Anne Siebert, Rick & RuPearl Sharpe
Wednesday Evening Devotional
18 Jim O'Brien
25 Jimmy Garner

Fayetteville Church of Christ
2016 Goal - Evangelism

Donna Hagin will continue taking family pictures in the foyer on May 15 & 22
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David Hopkins
Hugh Kelly
Jerry Kendrix
Andy Johnson
Paul Lyons
Stan Mitchell
David Poskevich
Anthony Ravenell
Jack Sorrell

Assembly Schedule:
Sunday
9:00 am Bible Classes
10:00 am Worship Service
6:00 pm Worship Service

10:00 am Tuesday Morning Bible Class
(September 11—May 14)

7:00 pm Wednesday Night Bible Study

7:00 pm Thursday Night Ladies Class
(September-May)

The Fountain of Life with Larry Acuff
Saturdays at 7 am

In SEARCH of the Lord's Way
Sunday at 7:30 am, on channel **57**
May 15 - What God Wants For You
May 22—Thirsting For God
May 29—Search Me, O God!

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Evangelism

Response Elder - Greg Nash

"Look among the nations and watch - Be utterly astounded! For I will work a work in your days Which you would not believe, though it were told you." Habakkuk 1:5

Sunday	Monday	Tuesday	Wednesday	Thursday	Friday	Saturday
1 Andrew & Holley Dalman Anthony & Linda Ravenell Jim & Susan Pelfrey Senior Recoznition Dinner	2	3 Tuesday Morning Bible Study at 10am	4 David Riley Jim Pelfrey	5 GSOP-Thursday Night	6 Game Night at 6pm Heather Couch Tom & Terri Durden	7 Butch & Joann Trawick
8 Bible Q &A	9 GSOP-Monday Night	10 Bill Benton Mattie Croix Susan Smith Tuesday Morning Bible Study at 10am	11	12 GSOP-Thursday Night John & Bonni Lako	13 Larry Rose Rose Show	14 Rose Show 9-4
15 Area Wide Youth Devo- PTC Joe Clark Rose Show -1-4pm **Jerry Riner**	16 Byron & Becky Higginbotham Carson Hopkins GSOP-Monday Night	17 Tuesday Morning Bible Study at 10am	18	19 GSOP-Thursday Night	20 SilverWings Reorganization Meeting/Potluck Dinner at 6pm	21 Keith Killingsworth Mallory Chapman
22 Lauren Shorrell Bridal Shower Song Service	23 GSOP-Monday Night	24 Election Day Jim OBrien Jo Hurt Wayne & Janis Libby	25 Cliff Nash	26 GSOP-Thursday Night	27 School Ends	28 Danielle Fincher God's Ranch-Service Day Jasi Hodgkinson
29 Lillian Gray Service Sunday	30 Dave & Luann Rogers GSOP-Monday Night Memorial Day-Office Closed 	31 Brad Hopkins Equillar Butler				

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