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Sunday June 9, 2024 - Time: 10:00 am

Church School Lesson: "Bold Ministers" Scripture Reading: 2nd Corinthians 3:5-18 -18

Key Text: "But we all, with unveiled face, beholding as in a mirror the glory of the Lord, are being transformed into the same image from glory to glory, just as by the Spirit of the Lord." 2nd Corinthians 3:18

Summary of the Lesson We are in the campaign season for the highest office in our country – the presidency of the United States. You must decide which candidate is best suited for the office. You must decide who is telling the truth. You must decide who has done, will do, more for the people. Without a doubt, the decision-making process is very complicated. It all boils down to whom you trust to be given this powerful authority over a population that is so diverse in terms of ethnicity, education, gender, religion, etc. The church in Corinth had its problems. One, a division amongst the church members is still apparent; and two, there arose some to question the authority and leadership of Paul. There is nothing new under the sun. What was then, still is! How does one defend oneself in the face of adversity? Paul begins by saying that he is confident in the mission God has given him. It is not because Paul is so smart (Paul was a very educated man). Paul is confident in the message he gives because it comes from God. Perhaps some of the criticism about Paul, is that prior to the resurrection he was given the authority by the Jewish "Bishop's Council" to put a stop to these "Jesus freaks". Paul only became part of the Christian movement after Jesus' resurrection and the initial period of the church's evangelical ministry after Pentecost. Apparently, there were some who approached the church with a letter of recommendation on their behalf to minister to the people instead of Paul. Apparently, the reference to letter here is the Law of Moses, representing the old covenant. Paul's focus is on the new covenant of life, salvation, and forgiveness made possible by the blood of Jesus. So, Paul does not need a letter of commendation. Those who have come to the faith and belief in the Gospel Message speaks for him. How does one stand before God? Will the choice be the letter of the Law or life in the spirit of God through Jesus? There is no in between; no alternative. The Law was flawless in that it accomplished what was intended: a code of behavior designed to define a holy life. Israel had no excuse regarding knowledge of sin. The problem within the Law was that no one could obey perfectly. How then could one live a holy life? God is holy and He expected them and us to be holy. A person is not made holy by corruptible things or the tradition of the elders. One is made holy by the precious blood of Jesus. The law, written by God on stone was the old covenant and it served its purpose. It was transitory, waiting for the time when Jesus would come, inaugurating a new covenant because the Law could not make humanity perfect because of the weakness of the fallen nature. "All have sinned and fall short of the glory of God" (Romans 3:23). The veil that covered Moses' face that prevented "the Israelites from seeing the end of what was passing away" still exist for some, resulting in spiritual blindness. "It has not been removed, because only in Christ is it taken away. Even to this day when Moses is read, a veil covers their hearts" (vs 14, 15). "But whenever anyone turns to the Lord, the veil is taken away" (v16). The new covenant was meant to reveal that which is best, salvation by faith in Jesus Christ. In Him sin was condemned in the flesh and the righteous requirements of the Law were accomplished. With this hope found in the new covenant, Paul can be a bold advocate for God, Jesus and the Spirit, despite his physical disabilities or the adverse circumstances he faced. What about you? "We must realize that God is a living, personal presence, not a piece of chiseled stone. And when God is personally present, a living Spirit, that old constricting legislation is recognized as obsolete. We are free of it! Nothing between us and God. We are being transformed. Our lives gradually becoming brighter and more beautiful as God enters our lives and we become like Him" (2 Corinthians 3 vs16 – 18). Amen.

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ANNOUNCEMENTS **BIBLE STUDY Tues. @ 7:30p**-via our **Bible Study Zoom** line all are welcome.

TODAY - Rehearsal for the Father's Day Choir after service all males (youth, seniors).are welcome.

TODAY-Bake Sale after the morning service. Sponsored by the Stewardess Board. (see Insert)

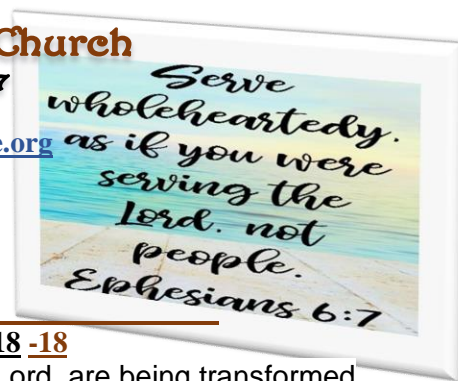
Sis. Goodman is working on the **Father's Day Board**, last call for pictures for the Father's Day Board please give to her or Sis. Deb Roberts.

NEXT Sun., June 16th we celebrate "**Father's Day**", The Rev. Doyne M. Sumner Sr., is the guest preacher. Lunch will be served.. **All** fathers are asked to join Pastor Attles, at the table set up in Sewell Hall for the Fathers. All are welcome.

Sun., June 23rd – After the morning service, join us as **we celebrate our youth/students accomplishments as they move up**. Lunch will be served,. Sponsored by the Board of Christian Ed.

Sun., June 30th – The Masonic Group, **Princess Electra #5, "Ladies of the Circle of Perfection"** will join us in our morning worship service. Our own Sis. Charlotte Covington is a member.

In Person Church School @ 9:00 a.m. - Every Sunday. **All are welcome.**



"Serving as a Stewardess is one of the most sacred and reverent offices one could hold in the kingdom of God because Stewardesses oversee the altar work and the elements (the body and blood) of Christ."

Sunday June 9, 2024 - Time: 10:00 am

Order of Service

Worship Leader - Bro. Robert Love

Scripture of the Month: "A thousand may fall at your side, And ten thousand at your right hand; But it shall not come near you." Psalms 91:7 NKJV

Processional - The Stewardess Board of LaMott A.M.E Church

Call To Worship (inspired by Psalm 30)

L: Sing praises to our Lord: who heals us and makes us whole. Sing praises to our Lord, faithful children of God: whose joy rises in our lives each and every day.

P: Sing praises to our Lord, faithful children of God; Give thanks to God's holy name:

All: God's Kingdom is near to us; God's peace resides in our hearts.

OPENING HYMN "What a Friend We Have in Jesus" #323

1) What a friend we have in Jesus, all our sins and griefs to bear! What a privilege to carry everything to God in prayer! O what peace we often forfeit, O what needless pain we bear, all because we do not carry everything to God in prayer!

3) Are we weak and heavy laden, cumbered with a load of care? Precious Savior, still our refuge-- take it to the Lord in prayer! Do your friends despise, forsake you? Take it to the Lord in prayer! In his arms he'll take and shield you; you will find a solace there.

PRAYER Sister Malinda Miller

PRAYER RESPONSE

WORSHIP THROUGH MUSIC

DECLARATION Brother Robert Love

This is my Bible. I am what it says I am. I can have what it says I can have. I can do what it says I can do. Today I will be taught the word of God. My mind is alert. My heart is receptive. I'll never be the same again. In Jesus' name. Amen

READING OF THE WILL

Old Testament..... Genesis 22: 6-12 Sister Rosemary Manley

New Testament..... 1 Peter 5: 3-7 Sister Lydia Goodman

The Gospel Mark 9: 17-27 Sister Yvonne Love

Holy, Holy, Holy, Lord God Almighty

Gloria Patri - "Glory be to the Father"

WORSHIP THROUGH MUSIC

SERMON Rev. Dr. Louis P. Attles, Pastor

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REDEDICATION OF THE STEWARDESS BOARD

THE PASTOR'S WORD/ANNOUNCEMENTS/ & WELCOME VISITORS

Benediction "Reach out and Touch Somebody's Hand"

Sister Mary English, Manjula Jefpoul sister of Sis. Anirha Jefpoul, Sis. Lil Mellerson, Sis. Linda Floyd's Sis. in Christ, Toya Johnson, Sis. Virginia Braxton, Sis. of Sis. Jackie Sewell, Sis. Maggie Bullard, Family Healing and Unity, Bro. Leroy Williams, husband of Sis. Debbie Williams, Sis. O'Jetta Crowell's Brother - Brewington W. Crowell ESQ, and her Sister Dr. Elva L. Crowell, Sis. Lottie Chisholm's mother, Lula King, Rev., Dr. & Mrs. Melvin D. Wayns, Sis. Deb Williams' Dad, family members and friends who are sick and have lost loved ones. Birthdays or Anniversaries in June.

June - Amanda Braxton 3rd Linda Taylor 4th Sean Hinton 4th Stan Williams 10th Keith English 21st Kiara Brasher 24th Elder Richard Safford 28th Robert Williams 28th

Theme: "We've Come This Far by Faith"

