

The Shady Acres Servant

Matthew. 20:27, "Whoever desires to become great among you, let him be your servant." ~Jesus

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Water only comes three ways: solid, liquid, or gas. The state of the same molecule of water can change an infinite number of times. And it does not matter what state you find it in, it is still water. On a day like the day this is being written, there is a lot of water that is moving from a solid state to a liquid state. All it took was a change of temperature.

This change of state is predictable. It is well know and established fact that water will be in a solid state below 0°C (32°F). Above 100°C (212°F), that same water will be in a gaseous state. In between those two points, water will always be in a liquid state. Always. It is so predictable, in fact, that if you need to change water from one of those states to another, you can do it. It can also be frustratingly predictable when you know it is going to change states and you don't want or need it to, but it does it anyway. All it took was a change of temperature.

In Jacob's blessing to his sons in Genesis 49, he declared concerning Reuben, his firstborn, "Unstable as water, you shall not excel" (verse 4). He wasn't describing water as being unstable as if you were playing that game where you try to fill a cup across a room with a spoon. Instead, his language points to the changing states of water, how it so easily goes from a solid to a liquid to a gas. Reuben, Jacob said, was like that. No matter what, he was still Reuben, but his state could easily transform depending on his surrounding environment. All it took was a change of temperature.

I suppose that to some degree, all of us have a little Reuben in us. A change in spiritual temperature can change our spiritual state of being. Much like water, that transition doesn't change who we are, it merely changes our state of being. And also much like water, it is predictable—to us, to God, to those around us, and even to the devil. (Unlike water, the point of change is unique to us all.) We may know exactly what spiritual temperature we need to be at to remain stable, and we may know what points will change us to an undesired state. All it takes is a change of temperature.

But unlike water, which has no say-so in what state it is in but is completely at the mercy of the changing temperatures, we have some control. We have enough control, in fact, that we can determine we like to change our state of being into a more suitable state. We have enough control that we can request help in changing our state of being. All it takes is a change of temperature.

Keith Olbricht

Minister

Keith Olbricht
Jared Gaines

Elders

Gene Hosey
James Price
Steve Turnbow

Deacons

Paul Adell
Terry Kellett
John McMillen
Chris Mills
Heath Poindexter
Daniel White
Jason Whitten

Sunday

Morning Bible Study
9:30 a.m.

Morning Worship
8:30 & 10:30 a.m.

Evening Worship
5:00 p.m.

Wednesday

Bible Study
7:00 p.m.

- WATCH -

*In Search of
the Lord's Way*

Each Sunday
KBSI-TV
Cable Channel 9
7:00 a.m.

SUNDAY - FEBRUARY 14, 2021

THOSE TO SERVE:

Lord's Supper: Presiding: Daniel White
To Serve: N/A

SUNDAY PM COMMUNION:

SCRIPTURE READERS:

A.M. Brent Trankler Hebrew 9:13-14
P.M. Tim Chambers Ezekiel 33:7-9

TO LEAD PRAYER:

A.M. Opening: Kenny Cantrell
Closing:
P.M. Opening: Bruce Lawrence
Closing:

NURSERY ATTENDANTS:

A.M. N/A

SENIOR MEMBERS BUS DRIVER:

Sept: N/A

USHERS: Heath Poindexter, Jason Whitten

AUDIO CONTROL ROOM:

Sound:
Power Point:
Webcam:

SONG LEADER:

Sunday A.M. — Steve Turnbow
Sunday P.M. — Steve Turnbow
Wednesday, Feb 17 -

WORSHIP GREETINGS & WELCOME:

DOOR GREETERS:

SUNDAY SERMONS:

A.M. A Red Heifer
Keith Olbricht
P.M. The British are Coming
Jared Gaines

REMEMBER IN PRAYER

Charles Bagby - has been in the hospital
Wanda Berry - health issues
Mary Bull - recovering from surgery at her daughters
Beverly Bowles - Barbara Brown's niece, now at home but needs prayers for strength to be able to walk & talk
Beckham Collins - Chris & Chelsey Lowe's newborn grandson, had his kidneys removed and is on dialysis.
Sharon Conley - friend of the Olbrichts
Keith Frohawk - cancer
Janice, Roger & Gregory Graham - Barbara Smith's sister, brother in law and nephew, they all have covid
Eualia Hamby - recovering from back surgery
David Harris - Pat Harris' cousin, has covid & is in hospital in Ky.
Scott Henderson - home, recovering from surgery
Morris Karnes - cancer
Darin Kellett - recovering from surgery
Ronnie McMackins - Mary Bains brother, has cancer and is under hospice care
John & Betty McMillen - covid
Christine Miller - recovering from a broken wrist
Dottie Miller - finished radiation treatments, will start chemo pill in a few weeks
Brenda Nimmo - having a rough time with treatments
Emma Patterson - recovering hip replacement surgery
Julie Wylemon - Scott Henderson's sister, on hospice
Mary Bain, Geraldine McGee, Bobby & Martha Parker, Vance Raines, Wayne Rush, Barbara Smith, Charles Ulmer, Leveda Williams

TEXT MESSAGES: If you are not receiving text messages about church news contact Cheryl Turner or someone in the office.

SEMO CHRISTIAN ACADEMY: still has copies of the Vessel cookbook. To purchase one see Lorita Ulmer, Jeanie Price or Cheryl Turner.

Please help keep the prayer list updated.

FOR THE RECORD — February 7, 2021

Sunday 8:30 a.m. Worship - 25 10:30 a.m. Worship - 130
Sunday Bible Class - 87 Sunday p.m. - n/a
Contribution \$12,514 (2 weeks) Weekly Budget \$7,898

PRESCHOOL BIBLE HOUR SCHEDULE

Feb 14 - Frohawk/Tibbs

Feb 21 - DeHarts

Feb 28 - DeHarts

BIG BIBLE HOUR

February - Prices

BIBLE STUDY QUESTION

Answer to last week's question: What does Paul instruct Timothy to be ready to do at all times? Preach the word - 2 Timothy 4:2

This week's question: What 3 apostles were from the same city of Bethsaida?

CONGRATULATIONS: Chris and Monica Palmore are the parents of their first child, Finnley Jace Palmore born February 9th. Proud great-grandparents are Benny and Patsy Eason.

THANKS: I wanted to thank everyone for the thoughts, prayers, calls, food and cards during my recent fall recovery, the loss of my brother and my great niece. Your love and support during this trying time is greatly appreciated.

In Christian love, Christine Miller

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*Let's start
collecting now
for the next trip.*



PARAGOULD CHILDRENS HOME

The truck will be here in April to pick up donated items. Please leave these items in the room across from the library.

Requested items:

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|------------------------|-------------------------------|
| 1. Brown Sugar | 4. Brownie Mix |
| 2. Vienna Sausage | 5. Canned Chicken |
| 3. Cheddar Cheese Soup | 6. Butter Flavored Shortening |

5th GRADE & UNDER: There will be devotional this Sunday, **February 14th** at 4:00 pm in the Bible Hour room.

CYC: Everyone who is going to CYC needs to give their **\$25** for food to Jared by this **Sunday, February 14th.**

BOOK CLUB: If anyone wants a copy of The Noticer for the book club, please let Jared know by this **Sunday, February 14th.**

CHILDREN'S FOCUS and BIBLE HOUR has started back up on Sunday evenings. We would love to see your children here. If you would like to teach either big kids or small kids, please contact Jared Gaines or Rose Smith.

**Seeing The Blessings
Instead Of The Sorrows**

It really is up to you! You can see the myriad of problems that plague us in this world and worry about them. You can complain about them, You could curse them or many other actions. However, there is only one way that we, God's family, ought to respond to these troubles...

God has given us the opportunity to shine our lights before men and so glorify the God of heaven (Matthew 5:16). I can decide to work for the Lord and right wrongs that I see, lift up the broken and hurting. I can become a part of God's solution for a lost and dying world..."Go out and make disciples...", visit the poor, the widowed, the orphan (James 1:27), offer a simple cup of cool water in the name of our Lord Jesus. When we do the Lord's work it makes the world a better place. We bless and are blessed when we view problems as opportunities.

It won't be easy, but I assure you it will be worthwhile.

via Bulletin Gold

By Joseph D. Chase

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IN PERSON WORSHIP SERVICE

We are having worship services on Sundays at **8:30 a.m.** where everyone will be wearing a **mask** all through service, and **10:30 a.m.**

& **5 p.m.** where masks are **highly recommended**. Bible class will be at **9:30**.

We will be practicing Social Distancing.

Parents please keep your children with you at all times.

Please don't linger while exiting the building.

The front foyer & southwest doors will be open.

The bus will not be running.

If you are at risk, not feeling well, or just not comfortable in public places yet, then we would encourage you to continue to worship with us online.

BIBLE CLASSES HAVE RESUMED

Sunday morning classes are at 9:30

—**James Price** will be in the auditorium teaching a class on Joseph.

—**Steve Turnbow** will be in room B-2 teaching a class on Parables.

—**Dan White** will be teaching a class for the young adults.

Wednesday night classes are at 7:00, at 7:45 come back to the auditorium for announcements & invitation

—**Keith Olbricht** will be in the auditorium starting with Exodus 7.

—**Sandy Turnbow** will in room B-2 teaching a ladies class.

WATCH OUR SERMONS: You can still watch our sermons live on Facebook at our Shady Acres Church of Christ page or on YouTube - search Shady Acres church of Christ-Sikeston. You can also watch the Wednesday evening Bible study class too.