

Prayer Requests

- ◆ The Family of Joe Romano - Grief/Loss.
- ◆ Linda Barnes - Health issues (heart).
- ◆ Marion Goodwin - Health issues.
- ◆ Ana Bouchard - Serious shoulder injury.
- ◆ Terry Schmidt's Father-Cancer Treatments.
- ◆ Brenda Butler - Health Issues and seizures.
- ◆ Victor & Rita Balsamo - Health issues.
- ◆ Chris Stephenson - Depression/Job Loss.
- ◆ Marescot Family - Fix Our Eyes on Jesus.
- ◆ Glory Parker - Driver's Licence/Attendance

New Prayer Requests

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Order of Worship

Song # 709 How Sweet, How Hevenly

Announcements - Shepherd

Opening Prayer - John Marescot

Song # 800 What A Friend We Have

In Jesus

Song # 694 Servant Song

Lord's Supper - John Carter, Robert Balsamo, Chris Stephenson

Song # 909 There's A Fountain Free

Contribution

Song # 860 There Is A Habitation

Prayer - Mike Wickwar

Song # 214 Have You Seen Jesus
My Lord

Scripture Reading - Angel Velez
Hebrews 10:11-14

Lesson- Dennis Godin

Do, In Order To Be ?

Lesson text: Hebrews 10:11-14

Song # 634 We'll Work Till Jesus Comes

Closing Prayer - Shepherd

Song Leader - James Butler

Greeter - Linda Barnes

Communion Prep - Ana Bouchard

Last Week's Numbers

Attendance: 49 Contribution: 1261.31

THE BIDDEFORD CHURCH OF CHRIST WELCOMES YOU!

Jesus Christ is...
the brightness of
His glory.

Heb. 1:3



The law
is only a
shadow of
the good
things that
are coming...



...not the realities themselves.

Hebrews 10:1

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Welcome Visitors

We here at the Biddeford Church of Christ pray your visit with us today is enjoyable and uplifting. Please stay around after services so that we can get to know you better. We all strive to put Christ first in our lives and make the Bible our principle guide for living.

This Week's Events

Today 2/12: Pot Luck after Service

Tuesday 2/14: Valentine's Day

Wednesday 2/15: Bible Study 7-8 PM

Sunday 2/19: Life Groups

Happy Birthday!

February 10 Debbie Godin

February 15 Carolyn Balsamo

February 28 Lisa Sampson

***Remember Helping Hands
Help friend of Burlee Ann***

Next Week's Service Schedule

Song Leader - Antonio Balsamo

Opening Prayer - Brad Shaw

Lord's Supper - John Marescot, Rufilo
Lawrance, James Butler

Prayer - Matt Sampson

Scripture Reading Abraham Damuth

Greeter - Barbara Lemay

Communion Prep - Brenda Butler

Do, In Order to Be ?

I was thinking the other day of the Pharisee mentioned by Jesus in one of His parables, this one being found in Luke 18:9-14. As he prayed to God, he seemed to define himself with a brief list: "I fast twice a week; I give tithes of all that I possess" (v12). I suspect the list could have been longer, but nonetheless, it was a list. His confidence was in his list, even though he was talking to the Creator of the list.

And every priest stands ministering daily and offering repeatedly the same sacrifices, which can never take away sins.

Hebrews 10:11

The writer of Hebrews seems to echo this idea of endless effort with no actual return for that effort: much like what we looked at last week. The priest "stands," showing, as one commentator put it, "that their sacrifices had always to be repeated" (F.F. Bruce). The relentless duties of the priest, along with those bringing the sacrifices, would do one of two things: point mankind to Jesus and put their trust in Him or, like the Pharisee in the parable, begin to put our trust in ourselves through obedience. The second thought is one which we should be cautious about, as we walk with Christ.

But this Man, after He had offered one sacrifice for sins forever, sat down at the right hand of God...
Hebrews 10:12

Christ sat down! His task was finished! The "repetition of the sacrifices indicates the ineffectiveness of the act" of the sacrifices year after year. "Christ does what the Levitical system could not do in taking away sins, and he inaugurates the new covenant" (James

Thompson) where man can finally be "sanctified through the offering of the body of Jesus Christ once for all" (Hebrews 10:10). "For by one offering He has perfected forever those who are being sanctified" (Hebrews 10:14). This "being sanctified" is not speaking of something that has not been completed; but rather, how the act of having been sanctified through Christ (v10) continues as we live out our lives for Christ (v14). He has made me, and continues to make me, sanctified!

The Pharisee whom I mentioned at the beginning clearly realizes the presence of God, but seemed to focus more on what he did than on God and his need for Him. He did his works and thus he thought he was okay. We too, can easily get entangled in such thinking by evaluating ourselves through performance. We do, in order to be. But in so doing, we minimize Christ's work. You see, I am sanctified, not by the abundance of work I do through obedience to Christ; but rather, I am sanctified through His work, that was sufficiently done on the cross. So why should I do things? Because He did what I couldn't.

Dennis

Sermon Notes
