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W - BEN WRIGHT - TRAVELING THROUGH TROUBLESOME TIMES

W - SINGING AND FELLOWSHIP NIGHT

**SYMPATHY IS EXTENDED TO GLENN AND SUE LOCKHART DUE TO THE DEATH OF PAUL LOCKHART. SERVICES WERE THURSDAY.**

**SYMPATHY IS EXTENDED TO HENRY MCDONALD DUE TO THE DEATH OF HIS NEPHEW EMMITT PENDLEY. SERVICES WERE THURSDAY.**

**SYMPATHY IS EXTENDED TO JILL RODEN DUE TO THE DEATH OF HER GREAT UNCLE DAVID RUTLEDGE. SERVICES WERE SUNDAY.**

**WBS AT BLACKWATER JUNE 19-23**

**READING FOR THE WEEK: SUN- PSALM 78-79; MON- 80-85; TUES- 86-89; WED- 90-95; THUR- 96-102; FRI- 103-105; SAT- 106-107; SUN- 108-112**

**BIRTHDAYS:**

June 21: Ricky Pope

26: Ben Wright

**ANNIVERSARY:**

June 24: Paul & Margie Mays

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## TIMES OF SERVICES

### **SUNDAY MORNING**

**BIBLE CLASS 9:30**

**WORSHIP 10:20**

**SUNDAY EVENING 5:00**

**WEDNESDAY BIBLE STUDY 7:00**

### ELDERS:

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**TRAVELING THROUGH TROUBLESOME TIMES**

(Psalm 55)

David's \_\_\_\_\_ (vs. 1-4, 9-15).

- A. Notice that David is discouraged because of an \_\_\_\_\_ and feels that it will be soon that he dies.
- B. His discouragement is seen in his feeling \_\_\_\_\_ (vs. 1-2).
- C. It is seen in his feeling \_\_\_\_\_ (vs. 3 and 9-15, 20-21).
- D. It is seen in his feeling of \_\_\_\_\_ (vs. 4).
- E. It is seen in his feeling of \_\_\_\_\_ (vs. 5).

I. David's \_\_\_\_\_ (vs. 6-8).

- A. David wanted to \_\_\_\_\_.
- B. David felt as if he could just run away from \_\_\_\_\_, it would all turn out to be just fine.
- C. If he could have \_\_\_\_\_ he could fly away from the storm.
- D. The fact is we can't \_\_\_\_\_ from problems.
- E. The only thing we can do and the best thing we can do is face the problems with the Lord's \_\_\_\_\_.
  - 1. He has asked for our \_\_\_\_\_ (Matthew 11:28-30).
  - 2. He has asked for our \_\_\_\_\_ (1 Peter 5:7).
  - 3. He has promised His \_\_\_\_\_ and we need to take Him at His word.

II. David's \_\_\_\_\_ (vs. 16-23).

- A. As you have probably noticed reading through the Psalms, many of them start out down and then end on a \_\_\_\_\_ note and this one is no different.
- B. David knew he would be delivered by calling of God through \_\_\_\_\_ (vs. 16-17).
  - 1. We need to be people of prayer, not only in \_\_\_\_\_ times, but in all times (Isaiah 65:24).
  - 2. Prayer \_\_\_\_\_ (James 5:16).
- C. He would be delivered by \_\_\_\_\_ with the right people (vs. 18).
  - 1. We need to surround ourselves with people who will help us get to \_\_\_\_\_ (Hebrews 10:25).
  - 2. Those are the kind of people that can fulfill \_\_\_\_\_.
- D. He would be delivered by \_\_\_\_\_ away burdens (vs. 22a).
  - 1. The pain he had he \_\_\_\_\_ to the Lord.
  - 2. We must \_\_\_\_\_ on God to help us through those difficult times (2 Corinthians 1:3-4).
- E. He would be delivered by \_\_\_\_\_ with God (vs. 22b).

IN HONOR OF GODLY FATHERS

Ashley Kizer

did not visit my father on Father's Day. Instead, I called him from a hotel room in Crossville, TN. "Happy Father's Day, Dad. I'm preaching this morning." He could have been more proud of a gift-wrapped tie, but I doubt it. Christian fathers want to know that their children are safe in the Lord and faithful to His cause. There are not many things that make them happier.

We can learn a lot from faithful fathers, and some of us are fortunate enough to have grown up under their care. As we grow older, our appreciation of them tends to grow. Even so, the Bible commands much more than appreciation. The Law of Moses gave this precept with a promise: "Honor your father and your mother, that your days may be prolonged in the land which the Lord your God gives you" (Exodus 20:12, Deuteronomy 5:16). Paul quoted the same command to the Ephesians (6:2).

What is the best way to honor a godly father? King Solomon wrote, "A wise son makes a father glad" (Proverbs 10:1). So if we wish to make our fathers glad, we must strive for wisdom. Luke said of Jesus that he "kept increasing in wisdom and stature, and in favor with God and men" (2:52). Our Lord was One who honored both His heavenly Father and His earthly father.

The Bible tells of many sons who made their fathers glad by making wise decisions. Besides Jesus, there are many well-known characters such as Isaac, Joseph, and Solomon who also inspired fatherly pride.

We can also learn how to honor our fathers through a study of some of the Bible's lesser-known characters. Consider Shem and Japheth—two of Noah's sons. Not only were they obedient in that they boarded the ark prior to the flood, but they also protected their father's dignity when he became drunk from the wine of his vineyard. For this kindness, Noah blessed them saying, "Blessed be the Lord, the God of Shem...May God enlarge Japheth, And let him dwell in the tents of Shem..." (Genesis 9:26,27).

Simon of Cyrene is known to most of us as the one who carried the cross of Jesus, but he was also the father of two boys. Mark records, "And they pressed into service a passer-by coming from the country, Simon of Cyrene (the father of Alexander and Rufus), to bear His cross" (15:21). Were these boys with Simon on that fateful day as he came into the city of Jerusalem? Did they watch as the cross was placed upon his back? We may never know these details, but we can suppose that one of his sons obeyed the gospel. It may be more than a coincidence that Paul later wrote to the Romans, "Greet Rufus, a choice man in the Lord, also his mother and mine" (16:13).

Much of the book of Proverbs is written as words of wisdom from a father to his son: "Hear, my son, your father's instruction..." (1:8). Those of us who wish to honor our fathers will heed the wisdom found there. The Psalmist wrote, "Behold, children are a gift of the Lord: The fruit of the womb is a reward" (127:3). Are you? Were you a reward to your father? What type of gift did you bring on Father's Day, and what about next year? Before Moses died, in his farewell address to the people he had so faithfully led, he encouraged them to "Remember the days of old." "Ask your father," he sang, "and he will inform you" (Deuteronomy 32:7). Let us honor our earthly fathers by being obedient to the Father above.