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**OUR GOSPEL MEETING STARTS TODAY WITH BR. FRANK CHESSER. BE
PRAYING FOR THIS AND INVITING OTHERS TO COME**

**READING FOR THE WEEK: SUN- ISAIAH 62-64; MON- 65-66; TUES- JEREMIAH 1-3;
WED- 4-5; THUR- 6-7; FRI- 8-10; SAT- 11-13; SUN- 14-16**

BIRTHDAYS:

Aug 7: Shanna Robbins & Eli Phillips

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12: Madison Chambers

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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

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FAMILY LIFE CENTER

Frank Chesser

The home, civil government, and the church are divine institutions. God ordained them. Each was planned with man in mind. God planted the first home in the beauty and security of Eden. The home is God's "family life center." Each room in God's blueprint is designed for man's happiness and well-being.

There is the instruction room. We are all the products of what we have been taught. Children receive instruction from various sources and, upon the basis thereof, they build a life. God's formula for child-rearing is threefold: Love God with all your being, receive His Word into your heart, and teach it incessantly to your children (Deut. 6:4-9). Children are admonished to hear the instruction of thy father and forsake not the law of thy mother (Prov. 1:8). There is no substitute for parental instruction.

There is the example room. The best of instruction can be quickly nullified by a bad example. Children must have parental visual aid to accompany their teaching. Jehoshaphat walked in all the ways of Asa his father, and he turned not aside from it, doing that which was right in the sight of the Lord (1 Kings 22:43). Ahaziah did evil in the sight of the Lord, and walked in the way of his father, and in the way of his mother (22:52). The difference in Jehoshaphat and Ahaziah was the difference in the example of their parents.

There is the entertainment room. God's blueprint has the entertainment room in the home, not in the church. Zechariah pictures the return of God to Jerusalem and the restoration of the city with the delightful scene of children "playing the streets" (8:5). There is a time to play. Families need to spend some fun-time together. Instead of "go play," there is a time when parents need to say "let's play." A humanly devised family life center as an adjunct to the church is a counterfeit for the real thing. Let us strive to make our home a real family life center.

I DON'T KNOW HOW TO INVITE MY FRIEND TO WORSHIP

Joe T. Spivy, Sr.

It's very possible that a major factor for not inviting my friend to worship is that "I don't now how." For this reason we are going to consider the following suggestions that might help as you make an effort to bring your friend to worship.

FIRST, be positive when you talk to your **FRIEND** about being your guest for this special day. You need to be convinced that Christ is a needed ingredient in their lives, that **HE** can change them for the better. You want to be a friend by getting them to know about the Lord and salvation through **HIM**.

SECOND, remember that **FRIENDS** respect and love one another because they want to, not because they have to. It's because of this love that one wishes to share with another, that one will want to share the Lord with them. Let them know that your Work in the church and relationship with Christ is most important, and they will be more willing to listen because they love and respect you.

THIRD, explain your motive. Many people resist if they think that they will get a "sale pitch" or just to win you a prize. Let them know that everyone at church is urged to bring their **FRIENDS**, and that you want them for your **FRIEND** on this day.

FOURTH, try to answer any questions they may have before they ask them. When you are on the defensive it is difficult to be positive, so answer as many of their questions as possible **BEFORE THEY ASK THEM**. Let them know that they will not be embarrassed or asked to do anything publicly that they would not wish to do. You want them to feel completely at ease at worship and not be apprehensive about what might happen to them. Now, having eliminated the negative, let's emphasize the positive.

FIFTH, build up their anticipation of the day. Tell them how much you enjoy worshipping in song and prayer, how much you enjoy the spiritual lessons that you receive and the deep sentiment you have as you reflect on the Lord's Supper. If they are your **FRIENDS**, they will wish to share with you the enjoyment that you have, so let them know what a difference Jesus makes in your life. Get them thirsty for the water of life.