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Daily Bible Reading: 3/6 Deut 21-23,3/7 Deut 24-27,3/8 Deut 28-29,3/9 Deut 30-31,3/10 Deut 32-34,3/11 Josh 1-4,3/12 Josh 5-8



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Sunday: 9:30 AM - Bible Study 10:30 AM - AM Worship 1:30 PM Service Wednesday: 7:00 PM - Bible Study



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No King in Israel By: J. Randal Matheny, editor

"In those days there was no king in Israel; everyone did what was right in his own eyes" (Judges 21:18 NKJV).

We often hear others, especially young people, express the desire to be free to do whatever they choose to do. After years of chafing at parental discipline, school schedules, and domination by adult authority, growing up becomes a matter of self-rule and self-will.

The goal of graduation and maturity is seen to promise a life of choice and the ability to decide for oneself, without restrictions from others.

As ideal as that may sound to the individual, there are abundant examples of the folly of such a course, especially when applied to society. As a simple and straightforward example, I suggest a close examination of traffic patterns in many overcrowded Asian cities.

Some years ago I was in a medium-sized town in Bangladesh and we were caught by a train. As traffic waited on our side of the tracks, drivers began to pull out of the proper lanes and come as near to the track as possible, regardless of which side of the road they were on.

Before long the street was filled with cars from one sidewalk to the other, all heading in the same direction.

Eventually the train passed and when we could see to the other side, we were faced with the exact same situation on that side of the tracks, except that all those cars were going in the opposite direction, toward us.

The street was completely jammed, with no room for anyone to pass. Every driver had chosen to ignore the law and to "do what was right in his own eyes." The result was complete gridlock, with no one being able to do anything.

The same principle is witnessed every day on countless highways and streets. Buses pass dangerously without clear lanes, often causing terrible accidents resulting in many deaths.

City streets are clogged when vehicles pass or turn in unauthorized manners, tying up traffic for blocks. Each person seems determined to do whatever he or she chooses, without regard for traffic ordinances, the rights of others, or the common good.

Judges 21:25 is not written in praise of individual freedom. It is rather an explanation of what was wrong in Israel. There was no recognized authority, and there was no self-discipline. The nation was beset with selfish individualism that lead to chaos and anarchy. As a result, the people suffered and the country was vulnerable to invasion from its enemies.

As intended and authorized by God, civil rulers are not a threat to freedom or personal liberties.

Paul said:

"The authorities that exist are appointed by God... For rulers are not a terror to good works, but to evil. Do you want to be unafraid of the authority? Do what is good, and you will have praise from the same" (Romans 13:1b, 3).

ANNOUNCEMENTS

BIBLE STUDY at 9:30 AM and AM WORSHIP SERVICE AT 10:30 AM

Live Stream: www.colliervillecoc.org and https://www.facebook.com/colliervillecoc

FOR CONNECTING BY PHONE STEP 1 - CALL 312-626-6799 STEP 2 - ENTER THE MEETING ID: 8724480418## STEP 3 - 618024#

DAYLIGHT SAVINGS TIME begins next Sunday, March 12.

MEN'S BUSINESS MTG/LADIES CARD SIGNING - Sunday 3/12/23 add your agenda items to the list. LADIES BIBLE CLASS Thursdays at 10:00 am.

POTTER C. H. PANTRY ITEM for March is individual drink packets. Check out the Potter bulletin board. The children sent us thank you cards.

NATIONWIDE GOSPEL MEETING CALL - Monday -Thursday nights at 9 pm. Call 857-216-6700 code 328497 or 602-610-2077 code 219702.

DON'T FORGET to tune in daily to TRUTH.FM!

OLIVE BRANCH LADIES DAY -3/25 with speaker Lori Boyd- "A God for All Seasons"- See flyer to register. MSOP ONGOING SPIRITUAL TRAINING-Thursdays from February 9-May 11. For sign up/flyer on board. MSOP LECTURESHIP – March 26-30 Flyer on the board. We will be providing 20 cakes. Sign up is on the bulletin board.

OUR SICK:

Homebound/Assisted Living

Iames Luna

Celeste Moore

Brenda Bruce

Rudell & Dorothy Wilson, Janie Marlin, Bettye Lou Hanks, James Luna

Amos Soli- 8 mth old baby from Alabama (friend of Cozort's) a fast and aggressive cancer. He has started chemo at St. Jude.

Martin Wiseman at home, dialysis 3 times a week.

Bryan Noland- Martha Rushmore's son -trying new skin stretching since skin grafting didn't work. Sylvia Pass has been moved to Ave Maria, 2805 Charles Bryan Road, Rm #810, Memphis, TN 38134 Gloria Westerman, Glenn Barganier's sister is back home and is continuing chemo treatments.

PLEASE PRAY FOR THESE:

Physical Problems

Those Battling Cancer

Leroy Fisher, Janell Grizzard, Lynn Guillot, Julee Adams, Hattie Shell, Nancy Hixon, Skip Wyse, Michael Stack's Uncle Ronnie, Betty Brawley, Macy Roebuck, Tish Clarke, Bryan Noland, Amos Soli,

Don Robertson, Eddie Grimes, Sasha & Natasha Maluga Kristi Springer, Monica Jordan, Barbara Dilliard, Denise Montgomery, Fred Nations, Keith Mosher, Ashley Brister, Christy Clausel

Rachel Strickland, Jack Etheridge, Gloria Westerman Hospice Care Jim Redden **MISSIONARIES: Louis & Martha Rushmore**

Marlon & Jacky Retana WORSHIP LEADERS

AM Worship Song Leader: TBD **Opening Prayer:** J. Shaffar Closing Prayer: Tommy O'Neal PM Worship TBD Phillip Gooch Terry Whitley

Wednesday Night Song Leader: Aaron Cozort **Devo:** Drake Pogue Closing Prayer: Eric Halverson