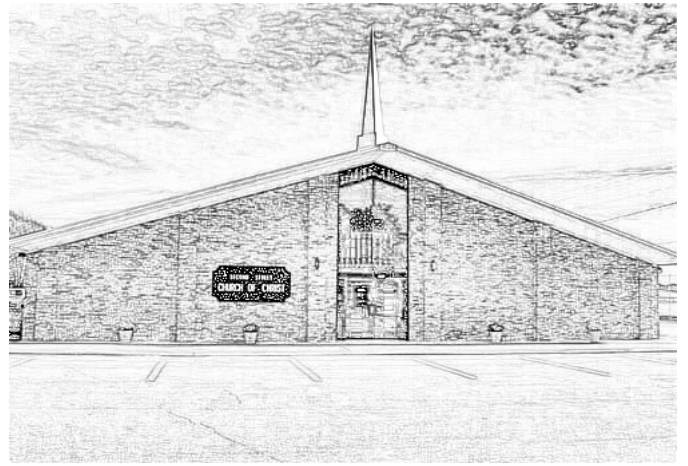


# Second Street Church of Christ



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## How to Make God Weary

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### SERVICE TIMES

Sunday Bible Class....9:00am  
Sun. Morn. Worship.10:00am  
Sunday Evening.....5:00pm  
Wed. Evening.....7:00pm

***Endeavoring to keep  
the unity of the Spirit  
in the bond of peace.  
Ephesians 4:3***

It is often believed that there is nothing that can wear God out. He is always there, always watching, never in need of sleep or rest - how can he become weary? Yet, consider what God said through Isaiah to Israel in Isaiah 1:10-15: "Hear the word of the LORD, you rulers of Sodom! Give ear to the teaching of our God, you people of Gomorrah! What to me is the multitude of your sacrifices? says the LORD; I have had enough of burnt offerings of rams and the fat of well-fed beasts; I do not delight in the blood of bulls, or of lambs, or of goats. When you come to appear before me, who has required of you this trampling of my courts? Bring no more vain offerings; incense is an abomination to me. New moon and Sabbath and the calling of convocations-- I cannot endure iniquity and solemn assembly. Your new moons and your appointed feasts my soul hates; they have become a burden to me; I am weary of bearing them. When you spread out your hands, I will hide my eyes from you; even though you make many prayers, I will not listen; your hands are full of blood." If man wants to weary God, all that has to be done is what Israel did.

They believed that keeping the sacrifices were all that was necessary (Vs. 11). As long as the "worship services" were accomplished, Israel felt they had everything in order and nothing more was needed. God says that those empty sacrifices accomplished nothing. Unfortunately, Christians can carry the same mentality today - believing that as long as they show up for worship every Sunday, that is all God desires. They come into the assembly but do not sing, pray, participate in heart, or listen with ears; then leave believing that being present where sacrifices were offered is sufficient. God tells Israel that he has had enough of all of the sacrifices that are offered with no meaning before him. Acting in the same measure of emptiness today will make God equally frustrated.

By their lifestyle they turned the solemn assemblies into iniquity (Vs. 13). All it takes to destroy the usefulness and acceptability of the assembly in the eyes of God is for people to live for themselves outside of the assembly and then enter carrying the airs of righteousness before him. Doing such turns the assembly into a place of wickedness, not purity. It is unfortunate that some Christians do the same thing by filling their lives with their own desires, pleasures, and entertainment, then enter the worship assembly as though they put God first in their lives. God despises such hypocrisy and there can be no place for it in our lives. ....continued on pg. 3

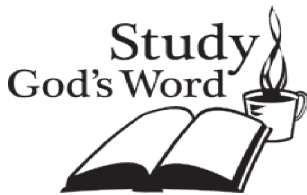
# Announcements

**Welcome Visitors!!** You are our honored guest, and we are glad you came our way! We invite you back to our evening services at 5:00 and Wednesday Bible study at 7:00 pm.

**The sign-up sheet** to host a singing and fellowship night is posted on the board in the foyer.

**Summer Series** will begin Wednesday night with Mark Neaves.

**Summer Youth series** will begin Thursday night at Fulton with Chad Ramsey.



*Trays for June*

**Debra Brewer**

*Welcome!*



We are Glad  
**You are Here!**

## **Summer Youth Series**

*What is Truth?*

June 2	Fulton	Chad Ramsey
June 9	Second Street	Mickey Beam
June 16	Plainview	Jeff Horton
June 23	Gum	Jeremy Pierce
June 30	Pine Grove	Nathan Hale
July 14	Tilden	Jonathan Bates
July 21	Beans Ferry	Russ Crosswhite
July 28	Picnic at Plainview	

## **2016 Summer Series**

*Great Lessons from Old Testament Characters*

- June 1 – Hannah – Mark Neaves (Pine Grove)
- June 8 – Aaron – David Lambert (Tishomingo)
- June 15 – Jonah – Scott Webster (Red Bay)
- June 22 – Joshua – Travis Brown (Millport, AL)
- June 29 – Elijah – Neil Myers (West Walker)
- July 6 – Ruth – David Conley (Liberty)
- July 13 – Gideon – Russ Vickers (Hillcrest - Baldwyn)
- July 20 – Josiah – Ron Deaton (Liberty)
- July 27 – Caleb – James Pasley (Fraleys Chapel)

# WHAT DO YOU DO MORE THAN OTHERS?

*Analyzing Jesus' question from Matthew 5:43-48*

## INTRODUCTION

- ◆ This question is asked in the context of loving your neighbor.
- ◆ This question indicates two groups – “you” and “others.”
- ◆ We are to stand out from the world (5:13-16), but what makes us different?
- ◆ Consider the answers in this and other contexts.

## OUR INTERACTIONS

- ◆ In the text, Jesus applies this question to dealing with others.
- ◆ The world will love those that love them. (46-47)
- ◆ What makes us different? The way we treat our enemies/those who have wronged us. (44-45)
- ◆ When we fail to render good over evil, we have failed the test.

## OUR HOMES

- ◆ There are many homes where love abounds.
- ◆ There are many homes that contain faithful mothers and fathers.
- ◆ What makes us different? The way God lives in our homes. (Deuteronomy 6:6-9)
- ◆ Can the world differentiate our home from everyone else's? (Romans 12:1-2)

## OUR BUSINESSES

- ◆ There are many “successful” businesses out there.
- ◆ Some are successful by upright means, some not.
- ◆ What makes us different? The Christian's business ethics is not determined by money. (Romans 12:11)
- ◆ Our business is conducted to the glory of God, not man. (Colossians 3:17)

**WHAT ARE YOU DOING THAT MAKES YOU DIFFERENT FROM EVERYONE ELSE?**

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The only way Israel could return to a right relationship with God is if they made the changes God commanded when he said, "Wash yourselves; make yourselves clean; remove the evil of your deeds from before my eyes; cease to do evil, learn to do good; seek justice, correct oppression; bring justice to the fatherless, plead the widow's cause" (Isaiah 1:16-17). It is the same for us today. If we do not wish to make God weary and cause him to despise our very presence before him when we assemble, we must ensure that our lives are dedicated to seeking him and serving him always and in all things, not just when it comes to assembling on Sunday.

## SERVICE TIMES

### Sunday

**Bible Study**      **9:00am**  
**Worship**        **10:00am**  
**Evening**         **5:00pm**

### Wednesday

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Behold, how good and how pleasant *it is*  
for brethren to dwell together in unity!

**Psalms 133:1**

The process for becoming a Christian  
is the same as it was over 2000 years  
ago! To become a Christian, one must:

*Hear the Gospel - Rom. 10:17*

*Believe the Gospel - Heb. 11:6*

*Repent of Sins - Luke 13:3*

*Confess Christ - Rom. 10:10*

*Be Immersed Into Christ - Acts 2:38*

*Live a Faithful Life - Rev. 2:10*

None of these alone will make you a  
Christian. These commands are from  
God and must be obeyed from the  
heart to become a Christian.

### Prayer List



Paula Wanner	Matthew Horton
Joey Pierce	Faye Johnson
Troy Yarbrough	Phillip Pharr
Barbara Blackman	Stephanie Moore
Jeanie Ivy	Marie Azzinaro
Gerald Nunley	Lauren Chase
John Tate	Lou Dodson
Mike Braden	Allison Heitzman
Dana Clayton	Carol Ivey
Sammy Green	Brenda Leatherwood
Tim Denson	



### May Birthdays

*Rada Malone 5/4*

*Caleigh Tidwell 5/9*

*Stephanie Harris 5/16*

*Stelle Higginbottom 5/17*

*Debra Wren 5/18*

*Mallory Cleveland 5/27*

*Shea Cozort 5/29*

### May Anniversaries

*Doris & Wendell 5/26*

### Sympathy