Family Matters

New Caney Church of Christ

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Assembly Times

Sundays
Bible Class 9:30 a.m.
Worship 10:30 a.m.
Wednesdays
Bible Classes 7:00 p.m.

Retaining The Standard Of Sound Doctrine

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What are they learning from the world?

Read the Bible aloud in your home!

Know Your Bible: Answers

- 1. Jacob (Genesis 27:35)
- 2. Joseph (Genesis 42:42)
- 3. Ephesus (Acts 20:37)
- 4. Peter (Matthew 26:75)
- 5. Lazarus (John 11:35)

This Week's Assignments & Events

Sunday Worship

Sunday Afternoons

Greeter: Corwin Richardson Announcements: Kevin Buckner Encouragement Talk: John Van Baale

Opening Prayer: Arturo Orozco Scripture Reading: Eddie Bowen

Luke 8:40–48 Song Leader: Josh Emerson

Table Talk: John Franks
Contribution: Tyler Blazek

Helper: Truett Blazek
Fruit of Vine: John Van Baale
Helper: Aaron Heald
Helper: Billy Scherry
Closing Prayer: Sandon Spyker

Apr 27 3PM Classroom Quarter Change

May 4 3PM Devotionals

May11 Nothing

May 18 Nothing

Wednesday Evening

Song Leader: Corwin Richardson Speaker: John Franks



"Take up the full armor of God, that you may be able to resist in the evil day, and having done everything, to stand firm" Ephesians 6:13

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Crying

In our society there is the general feeling that men don't cry. For some reason men seem to think crying is a sign of weakness. John 11:35 simply says, "Jesus wept." Do we think Jesus was weak? My own personal observation of righteous men tells me that it is good, appropriate, and helpful to cry. Sadly, life seems to be full of opportunities for us to cry.

I remember when I was in college and pulled a muscle in my back which put me on the floor, included a visit to the E.R., and bed rest at home for three days. We have all had times of physical pain and frustration associated with health that makes us cry.

More sorrowful than physical pain is emotional pain. The grief expressed at the passing of a loved one, crying at the funeral, crying after the funeral - sometimes years later. The pain of separation runs deep and strikes chords all of us are familiar with.

But even more painful than either of these must be tears over sin. I've cried over my own sin. I believe godly sorrow that leads to repentance is the most heartfelt and sincere grief. I remember crying over family who has left the Lord, Christian friends who have sinned and repented, and friends who are not Christians. These are realities of this life on earth. Tears are frequent, shared, and common.

There is a simple statement in Scripture that has a strong ramifications for all of us. "Behold, the tabernacle of God is among men, and He will dwell among them, and they shall be His people, and God Himself will be among them, and He will wipe away every tear from their eyes; and there will no longer be any death; there will no longer be any mourning, or crying, or pain; the first things have passed away" (Revelation 21:3-4). Here are five things which will not be present when we are with God: no tears, no death, no mourning, no crying, no pain. The Greek translated "sorrow" means mourning. And "pain" means great trouble, anguish, pain. The sin that causes these will be no more: sin and death are swallowed up in victory (1 Corinthians 15:54)! Eternal life will be fundamentally

different than life on this earth. We will have a new body (1 Corinthians 15:40–46). The problems that plague us in this life will be no more. Those things that cause us to cry will be done away with.

Though we find it difficult to believe, we will have no grief over our loved ones who are condemned. God will wipe away every tear. Our joy will so complete, so overwhelming we will not feel emotional pain for others who have no obeyed the Lord (2 Thessalonians 1:8–9). We will say with everyone else in heaven, "to Him who sits on the throne, and to the Lamb be blessing and honor and glory and dominion forever and ever" (Revelation 5:13).

In context, the passage in Revelation 21 discusses how God will remove everything that would cause us sorrow. I can remember moments in my life when I shed tears of joy. I like the thought that God wipes away every tear, some of those may be tears of joy. To be in the presence of God! To see my Savior and Lord! To converse with the saints gone before! To know that I made it! There is no greater thought I can consider that would cause tears of joy! I can imagine God smiling at me and wiping away even those tears. Such bliss awaits the faithful!

By Charles Willis

The Second Coming

"This Jesus, who has been taken up from you into heaven, will come in just the same way as you have watched Him go into heaven" (Acts 1:11).



"But of that day and hour no one knows, not even the angels of heaven, nor the Son, but the Father alone" (Matthew 24:36).

"He is coming with the clouds, and every eye will see Him, even those who pierced Him" (Rev. 1:7).

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in which all who are in the
will come just like a thief in the night. While they are
tombs will hear His voice, and will
saying. "Peace and safety!" then destruction will
come upon them suddenly like albor pains
resurrection of life, those who committed the evil
deeds to a resurrection of judgment" (John 5:28-29).
not escape" (1 Thess. 5:2-3].

"If I go and prepare a place for you, I will come again and receive you to Myself, that where I am, there you may be also." (John 14:3).

WHAT SHOULD WE DO?

"be diligent to be found by Him in peace, spotless and blameless" (2 Pet. 3:14).

"abide in Him, so that when He appears, we may have confidence and not shrink away from Him in shame at His coming." (1 John 2:28)

"the grace of God has appeared, bringing salvation to all men, instructing us to deny ungodliness and worldly desires and to live sensibly, righteously and godly in the present age, looking for the blessed hope and the appearing of the glory of our great God and Savior, Christ Jesus" (Titus 2:11-13). Know Your

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Rible

- 1. Who wept when he thought Joseph was dead?
- 2. Who cried in Egypt when his brothers did not recognize him?
- 3. The elders of which church upon hearing the prophecy that Paul would be handed over to the Gentiles?
- 4. Who wept bitterly after denying Jesus?
- 5. At which friend's funeral did Jesus weep?

Answers On Back

Sunday Sermon

Point your phone camera at the square below, then click on the link to hear the sermon. Recordings will change mid-week



