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I Don't Help My Wife

[Mother's Day is, of course, a celebration and an honoring of our mothers and how important they are and have been to us. But many of us guys also include the mother of our children in this celebration. We also honor other mothers who are not even related to us other than as a sister in Christ. I adapted the following from an online post. Happy Mother's Day to all of the mothers in our lives! - Jon]

A friend came to my house for coffee. We sat and talked about life. At some point in the conversation, I said, "I'm going to wash the dishes and I'll be right back."

He looked at me as if I had told him I was going to build a space rocket. Then he said to me with admiration but a little perplexed: "I'm glad you help your wife, I do not help because when I do, my wife doesn't praise me. Last week I washed the floor and no thanks."

I went back to sit with him and explained that I did not "help" my wife. Actually, my wife does not need help; she needs a partner. I am a partner in our home. It is not a "help" to do the household chores.

- I do not help my wife clean the house because I live here too and I need to clean it too.
- I do not help my wife to cook because I also want to eat and I need to cook too.
- I do not help my wife wash the dishes after eating because I also use those dishes.
- I do not help my wife with her children because they are also my children and my job is to be a father.
- I do not help my wife to wash, spread or fold clothes, because the clothes are also mine and my children's.
- I am not a help at home, I am part of the house.

And as for praising, I asked my friend, "When was the last time, after your wife finished cleaning the house, washing clothes, changing bed sheets, bathing her children, cooking, organizing, etc. that you said, not only "Thank you" - but a thank you of the type: "Wow, sweetheart, you are fantastic!"

Does that seem absurd to you? Are you looking strange? When you, once in a lifetime, cleaned the floor, you expected in the least, a prize of excellence with great glory ... why? You never thought about that, my friend?

Maybe because for you, the macho culture has shown that everything is her job.

Perhaps you have been taught that all this must be done without having to move a finger? Then praise her as you wanted to be praised, in the same way, with the same intensity. Give her a hand, behave like a true companion, not as a guest who only comes to eat, sleep, bathe and satisfy needs.

The real change of our society begins in our homes. Let us teach our sons and daughters the real sense of fellowship!

And in the same way, the real change in our churches begins when each of us; every one of us, takes on the responsibility of leading by example to the rest of us, to make sure the needs of the church are being met.

Husbands, love your wives, just as Christ loved the church and gave himself up for her to make her holy, cleansing her by the washing with water through the word, and to present her to himself as a radiant church, without stain or wrinkle or any other blemish, but holy and blameless. In this same way, husbands ought to love their wives as their own bodies. He who loves his wife loves himself.

- Ephesians 5:25-28

Therefore, show these people the proof of your love and the reason for our pride in you, so that the churches can see it.

- Read 2 Corinthians 8

Gospel of Luke

Bible Class

Led by Trent Herbert

1. Why might the disciples have needed Jesus to teach them to pray?
2. What are the parts of the Lord's prayer., how would you describe each line?
3. Should this be our prayer every day? Why/why not?
4. Where else in the gospels do we read of this teaching (vs5-13)?
5. What is the point of this teaching? What should we get from it?
6. Explain Jesus' response to the Pharisees about how He casts out the demons?
7. Why did Jesus respond to the voice in the crowd (vs28) as He did?
8. Everything that Jesus did had a reason. Why did He not wash His hands before the meal?
9. Most people think that Jesus was all about love. Yet we see Him condemning the Pharisees and
10. the lawyers. Did Jesus speak more about love or did He condemn more?
11. What is different about Jesus now?

In chapter 11, Jesus goes on the offensive. He begins to call out what He sees in the Pharisees and the people. He gives us the "Lord's prayer" and then begins to teach some hard lessons even for us today.

Jesus has set His eyes toward Jerusalem and to preparing His disciples for the work ahead. Come and share with us as we discover the character of Jesus in this turning point in His life. We seek to understand the context and backdrop of each chapter and in the complete context of the narrative to Theophilus. I hope you will find time to check out our class.

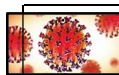
Sunday, 6:00 – 7:00 pm
Call Laura Fry or
360-876-2604
for Zoom Meeting ID

Our Prayer List

- Shelby's mother passed away around 6 pm May 3rd. She is with her cousin right now. Please keep Shelby and her family in your prayers for comfort and healing and for Gary who was with her.
- Pray for the Chasteen's as they wait for the vet to advise treatment for their dog Ziggy who has a lesion on her ulnar, left front leg near the wrist. Besides the mechanical repairs there is the fear of cancer. Pray for Ziggy, the vet and the Chasteens.
- Pray for the Fry's as they start their journey home, continual prayers for Lisa and Daniel.
- Bonnie's grandson, Chris and his son Levi are traveling home today (Wednesday) from Medford.
- Continue to pray for Ken Avery.
- Gary and Barbara's granddaughter, Sarah, has her last internship to finish with her Radiology program. She was hired by Virginia Mason in Seattle Friday. The proud grandparents said, "Prayers helped."
- Praises to God our Father who never fails.
- Keep the Fry's who are traveling home this week. Pray also for the rest of their family.
- Karri Schmeltzer's mother for healing.
- LaDonna's daughter Laurie will be released within the next few days and will be coming home to LaDonna's. Praise that she is able to be released and prayers for her healing.
- Pray for Renny Woodrow and his family over the passing of Darlene.
- Pray for Sarah Benjamin whose grandmother passed away. Pray for her grandfather who has blood cancer.
- Continue to pray for René Powless' mother Irene for her comfort. Also, pray for René, who takes care of her on the weekends.
- Continue praying for Tim Colwell.
- Karen Taylor has requested prayers for her friend, Debbie Nagel for healing, both physically and spiritually.
- Frankie Gower as she awaits definite dates for surgery. Pray also for the medical staff.
- Pray for Daniel's continued healing.
- Pray for Rosalie Palmer who is traveling to the Carolina's to be with her granddaughter.
- Pray for Oilda Harris' daughter, Frances who lives in California; that God will watch over both of them.
- Pray for Trent and those who are involved in the Zoom study of the Gospel of Luke on Sunday evenings.
- Pray for our nation and all our leaders worldwide to help bring peace through prayer and God's guidance.

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- Weekly Bulletin – Click on **Bulletin & Newsletters**
- Current newsletters from Trent Herbert, Tristan Herbert and Roy Merritt. Click on **Bulletin & Newsletters**
- Live stream of worship services on YouTube Channel - Previous recordings too:
https://www.youtube.com/channel/UCL_SrX11URAkOYw7JOR9ZIQ then click on the video.
 Please subscribe to be notified when new videos post or when we go live.
- Pre-Covid audio sermons are also still online – Click on **Teachings**
- Current Event Calendar - Click on **News & Events**



MASK UP.
SIX FEET.
SMALL GROUPS.
It takes all THREE.

Sunday Worship (10:30 am – 12:00 noon)

There **WILL** be “in-person” worship

Watch live stream or after our worship time:

https://www.youtube.com/channel/UCL_SrX11URAkOYw7JOR9ZIQ



Speaker: Mark McLean
Scripture: Mark McLean
Prayer: Jim Snead
Communion: Mark McLean

To worship from the Parking Lot:
 Tune your radio to 93.1 FM
 You must be in the parking lot to tune in.

Children will be dismissed after communion (with parent’s permission)
 for **Children’s Worship** downstairs

Classes

Bible Classes

Sunday: 9:30 - 10:15am

Adult:

James Greer – Auditorium

Children:

Combined Class Downstairs

Luke Class

Zoom Meeting: Sunday, 6:00 – 7:00 pm

Ladies Prayer Group

Zoom Meeting: Tuesday, 10:00 am

Prayer Meeting

Zoom Meeting: Wednesday, 5:00 pm

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 for Zoom Meeting ID

Happy Birthday!

May: Brandon Delay – 9, Julia Karn – 17, Jason Hooper II – 19, Barbara Chasteen – 25, Levi Herbert – 26, Gene Gerard – 28, Sarah Hill – 31

June: Judy VanLeuven – 11, Obidiah Herbert – 14, Lila Mason – 15, Miki Gross – 23, Kenny Benjamin – 24, Cathie Cates – 26, Pilita David – 26, Greg Warner – 29

Note: Be sure to check the bulletin each week for Sunday morning assignments

Tithes and Offerings

Since we are once again meeting inside the building, but not able to pass the offering plate, there is a tithe box at the entrance to the auditorium. However, the other options are still available:

- 1) The collection box will be in the foyer.
- 2) Online bill-pay with your bank or credit union. Your bank will mail your check for you.
- 3) Mail your tithe/offering check directly to the Church address. We have a lock mailbox.

Church Address:

Port Orchard Church of Christ
4135 Carr Lane SE
Port Orchard, WA 98366

May 2, 2021 – Tithes & Offerings - \$ 1,330.00

If you have any questions, please give me a call. God bless you. Gary Chasteen (cell) 360-731-4104

Thank You for Mothers (We'll be singing this song this Sunday.)

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Lord in Your Wisdom You gave us someone
Someone to hold us through the long lonely nights
Someone to laugh at the silliest things
Someone to lovingly call out our names

Chorus

But most of all Father
We thank You for mothers
Who pray for their children ev'ry day

Lord through Your Mercy You gave us someone
Someone to notice ev'ry tear that was cried
Someone to magic'ly make things alright
Someone to read us sweet stories at night
(chorus)



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