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Bulletin

The Effect of the Gospel

The gospel of our Lord is "the power of God unto salvation "**(Romans 1:16)**. It has been often observed that the word translated "power" comes from a Greek word which is similar to the sound of our word "dynamite."

No one can remain the same after exposed to God's dynamite - the gospel. If he believes it and applies it to his life in humble obedience, it will save him from sin and further advance him along the road to spiritual life. On the other hand, if he rejects it, it will have a disastrous effect in his present life and in Eternity. It has been our unpleasant experience to see men who are horribly scarred and deformed by various kinds of explosions. But the effects upon the life of an individual who mishandles or rejects the gospel explosive are far more terrifying. These miserable souls are seen hobbling through life with shattered convictions, a heart insensible to love, a seared-over conscience, silent and unaccusing, and a will so accustomed to choosing evil that it seems incapable of any other choice.

So, you see, the gospel has a two-fold effect. The light that emanates from it can melt our hearts like wax. But at the same time, that light can harden a rebellious heart as the hardest clay. WE have heard the gospel. It has changed our lives - one way or the other! We need to ask ourselves: What effect has the gospel had on me? ..... Bob West

Money Will not Buy Everything

by James R. Cope

Someone has said, "Money will buy everything on earth but happiness and an entrance into every place except heaven." Truly this is a good thought but is this all that money will not buy?

What of a baby's smile, a sage's wisdom, and a martyr's faith? Can money restore nature's gold to the hoary head, give youthful spring to the old man's step, or imprint God on a calloused heart? Can it turn back the flight of time, remove the present, or penetrate the future? Can it still the troubled heart or change a memory? Not one of these does money control nor can it buy.

A younger man met an octogenarian on a street in a Southern city. Not having seen the older man in several years and pleasantly surprised to see him, he greeted the elderly gentleman cordially and inquired, "How do you feel?" Apparently surprised at the interest the younger an expressed, the old man replied, "Since your manner indicates asking a sincere interest in the state of my health and general welfare I am going to tell you the exact feelings of my heart. The truth is: I am miserable! A miserable old man! And before you ask why I'll tell you why. When I was a young man I thought that there was only one thing that I wanted in this life. That thing was money. I wanted to be a millionaire. Every waking moment was directed to that end. When I got my first million I wanted the second. I was not satisfied with that and my desire for wealth became such an obsession I lost sight of everything else. I allowed nothing to stand in my way of making money. Now I am an old man. I have a few relatives waiting for me to die so they can get what I have. I am lonesome, my life empty and sad. You know my mistake? Here it is: While I was making money I took no interest in making friends. Now I need friends—true friends. But true friends are not bought with the millions I've made. I am lonely! Miserable!"

"Now godliness with contentment is great gain. For we brought nothing into *this* world, *and it is* certain we can carry nothing out. And having food and clothing, with these we shall be content." **(1 Timothy 6:6-8)**

Four Days in the Life of Satan

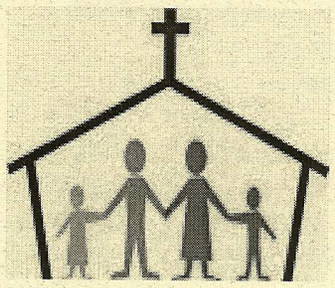
Satan is God's archenemy. Consequently, he is our most dangerous foe. **(Eph.6:12)** Christians are alerted that the Devil "walks about like a roaring lion, seeking whom he may devour." **(1 Pet.5:8)** The Bible reveals several things about Satan. In fact, it reveals four days in the Devil's existence that are interesting to read about. Let us consider each day in order.

The first day in Satan's life is the day Jesus was born. A virgin, Mary, gave birth to Jesus in Bethlehem of Judea. Wise men from the East asked Herod, "Where is He who has been born King of the Jews?"**(Matt.2:2)** Inwardly, Herod was horrified. He imagined this king was a threat to his throne. Outwardly, he told the wise men to find the child and send word as to where he was. Herod pretended to want to worship Jesus. In reality, he wanted to kill the infant. Of course, the Devil was behind the effort to murder the babe. The Lord warned Joseph to take Mary and Jesus to Egypt. He also told the wise men not to return to Herod but to go back home. **(Matt.2:12-15)** When the king realized he had been deceived he killed all the male children two years old and under throughout the region of Bethlehem. Baby Jesus had been saved by God's warning to Joseph. Killing our Lord was not going to be so easy.

The next day in Satan's existence is when Jesus was killed. Our Lord lived in relative obscurity in Nazareth until He was about thirty years old. However, when he began his personal ministry the Devil knew Him immediately. **(Lk.8:28)** Satan greatly tempted Jesus, knowing that any sin on Jesus' part would ruin God's righteous plans. **(Matt.4)**Our Savior was able to overcome every enticement. He seemed to always have the perfect answer and God's complete protection. Then Jesus looked like He made a mistake. He separated Himself into a secluded place. There He was arrested, put through a mock trial, and crucified. Finally, Satan had won. The Christ was dead!

Jesus' resurrection marked the third day in Satan's life. Peter preached that Hades (the grave) could not possibly hold Jesus' spirit. Why? "The sting of death is sin." **(1 Cor.15:56a)** The Devil never stung our Lord with sin. Therefore, Jesus' death was the perfect sacrifice for our sins. **(Heb.2:14)** The Devil learned too late that the day he thought was his greatest victory was actually the day of his ultimate defeat. Jesus now holds the keys to Hades and death.**(Rev.1:18)**

The final day in Satan's life is the Judgment Day. The Devil and all that is wicked will be destroyed on that great final day. **(Rev.20:10)**God's judgment might be delayed and seem like it will never occur but it will come as a thief in the night. **(2 Pet.3:10)** Are you ready for that day? David Harsell



Prayer Request

Harold Watson.... Suffering from a series of serious health issues. Recovering from surgery.
Dan Robinson... Recovering from surgery.
Ben Pittman... Brother of Cindy Knighten lives in North Carolina started chemotherapy treatment for cancer .
Mary Helen Darnell.... Is recovering from knee surgery.
Lucy Skinner.... Dot McDaniel's mother .
Johnnie Mae White... Recovering from surgery.
John Roberts, Sherry Williamson's father, is in very serious condition and needs our prayers. He will be starting chemo this week and does not have a good prognosis. Cards can be sent to John Roberts, 158 Laurel Hill Dr., Prattville, AL 36066. Please let him know we care and keep him in your prayers
James Powell Released from the hospital and will meet with doctors this week to discuss options.

Leading in Worship

Sunday AM

Coordinators:	Jim Keith / Bill Knighten
Ushers	James Powell / Stephen Guy
Announcements:	Rodger Cobia
Scripture:	Richard Howe
Lead Singing:	Mike Howard
1st Prayer:	Dan Robinson
Preaching:	Marshall McDaniel
Closing Prayer:	John Demas
Sound System:	Ragan Ingram

Communion

Bread	Cup
Bud Porter	John Demas
Darrell Puckett	Jess Hart
Danney Watson	Eric Bradford

Sunday PM

Announcements:	Rodger Cobia
Scripture:	Daniel Jones
Lead Singing:	Craig Sims
1st Prayer:	Bill Knighten
Preaching	Marshall McDaniel
Lord's Supper:	Chris Lloyd
Closing Prayer:	Bob Trefethen
Sound System:	Harold Mustin

LORD'S Supper Preparation

10/26 Emily McDaniel 11/02 Kaye McDaniel 11/09 Nancy Cobia

Wednesday

Ushers	Kerry Lashlee / Paul Puckett
Announcements:	Rodger Cobia
Lead Singing:	Todd Thayer
1st Prayer:	Eric Bradford
Invitation:	John Demas
Closing Prayer:	Bud Porter
Sound System:	Ragan Ingram

Count Contribution

Ragan Ingram /Kerry Lashlee /Paul Puckett

To our visitors:

- The people who assemble at Perry Hill Road are simply a group of Christians who belong to Christ and are devoted to serving God.
- Our aim is to glorify God by following the Bible, His inspired word, which is our only guide in worship and service.
- Our commitment is to preach Christ, who is man's only hope for eternal life, and live in such a way so that others may see Christ in us.
- We encourage an open study and discussion of the Scriptures in all our Bible classes and extend to all a sincere welcome.
- Personal studies are available upon request.

Schedule of Services

Sunday

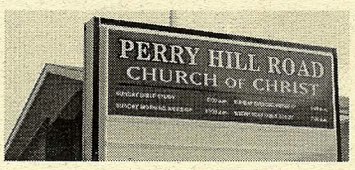
Bible Classes	9 AM
Worship	10 AM
Evening	5 PM

Wednesday

Bible Classes	7 PM

Care Group # 1
Tonight after services

Sunday AM 119
Sunday Class 78
Sunday PM 86
Wednesday 73
Contribution $5,892



Welcome New Member Jessica Lucas

Welcome new member Jessica Lucas and her husband, Jeremy. Get to know their children, Emelia and Liam also. Contact info is in our online directory, (6909 Payson Way, Montgomery, 36117 - Tel. Nr. 334-430-3699; email: jessica.lucas@acboe.net)