



# Life Lines

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## “One With Him”

Its easy to talk about losing weight and getting in shape but something else to actually do it. Likewise it may be easy to claim allegiance to Christ Jesus but rather difficult to put that declaration into practice.

Consider the disciples who abandoned Jesus because of His teachings. These were people who were with Christ. They had seen and heard Him in person. They had “. . . *touched the hem of the garment.*” Yet because they could not accept his teaching they, “. . . *walked no more with Him.*” (John 6:66)

What happened? Our minds race to learn how people who sat at the feet of the master Teacher could walk away from His life-giving words. This proved a precious moment for Peter for his faith shone through brilliantly.

Jesus asked, “. . . *will ye also go away?*” Peter said, “*Lord, to whom shall we go? Thou hast the words of eternal life. And we believe and are sure that thou art the Christ, the son of the living God.*” (John 6:67-69)

What a simple faith! Oh that we all could have the same faith, the same desire of Peter.

What made Peter different than the disciples? Why did he stay when others left? Let us consider three possibilities.

**Peter had nowhere else to go.** This fisherman had been around. He knew of others who had falsely

claimed to be the Christ. The pretenders were nothing new. Perhaps Peter wondered if his brother Andrew had been fooled by another charlatan. But after having seen the miracles of Jesus and hearing the grand teachings from His lips, Peter knew that he was at the feet of the Master.

When we consider what this old world has to offer, we ought to come to the same conclusion. There is no one else to turn to. Jesus said, “***I am the way, the truth and the life.***” (John 14:6) That sums it up. Anything and everything we need is found in Christ. How sad that some seek meaning and fulfillment in the empty things of this world. How sad to think that a man may think he has found a place to stand only to feel his foundations crumble during a crisis. Let us seek to build on the solid ground. (Luke 6:14-49)

**Peter knew Jesus had the answers.** We all seek answers and Peter was no different. When tragedy strikes we cry out, “***Why?***” When relationships fail we ask, “***What happened?***” When we stand over the open coffin of a loved one we ponder, “***Is this all there is?***” Peter was wise when he observed that all the answers to the great questions of life were found in Christ Jesus.

The truth that Jesus brings tells us of evil in the world and the supreme goodness of the Father. Jesus tells us that all relationships pale in comparison to the father-child-family relationships that are found in Him.

Jesus tells us that death is not the end but the beginning of bliss for the faithful Christian.

Peter knew that there were no such answers found anywhere else . . . only in Him.

**Peter knew who Jesus really was.** You see, the reason Jesus has all the answers is because of who He really is. Jesus is not some man with wisdom. He is not a scholar well versed in philosophy. Jesus is God’s Son!

Peter’s statement is so clear, “. . . *we believe and are sure that thou art that Christ, the Son of the living God.*” There is no doubt.

The question now comes to us. “***Will you go away?***” Let us pray not! Jesus calls us to come to Him and stay. Stake your ground with the Lord. Commit forever and place your eternal trust with Him.

May God help us as we seek to be one with Him who has called us from darkness to light. “***But you are a chosen race, a royal priesthood, a Holy Nation, a people for God’s own possession, so that you may proclaim the excellencies of Him who has called you out of the darkness into His marvelous light . . .***” (I Peter 2:9)

Bryant Evans – Bulletin Digest.

“***Be faithful until death, and I will give you the crown of Life.***”  
(Revelation 2:10)

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## Lines for Ladies

By Pat McAlister

### Aprons

The principal use of Grandma's apron was to protect the dress underneath, but along with that, it served as a potholder for removing hot pans from the oven.

It was wonderful for drying children's tears, and on occasion was even used for cleaning dirty ears.

From the chicken coop, the apron was used for carrying eggs, fussy chicks and sometimes half-hatched eggs to be finished in the warming oven.

When company came, those aprons were ideal hiding places for shy kids.

And when the weather was cold, grandma wrapped it around her arms.

Those big old aprons wiped many a perspiring brow, bent over the hot wood stove.

Chips and kindling wood were brought into the kitchen in that apron.

From the garden, it carried all sorts of vegetables. After the peas had been shelled, it carries out the hulls.

In the fall, the apron was used to bring in apples that had fallen from the trees.

When unexpected company drove up the road, it was surprising how much furniture that old apron could dust in a matter of seconds.

When dinner was ready, Grandma walked out onto the porch, waved her apron, and the men knew it was time to come in from the fields to dinner.

It will be a long time before someone invents something that will replace that "old-time apron" that served so many purposes.

REMEMBER Grandma used to set her hot baked apple pies on the window sill to cool. Her granddaughters set theirs on the window sill to thaw.

Author Unknown

If your grandmother wore an apron I'm sure you are touched by the memories you recall from this article. I am. There weren't many dresses hanging in their closets, so this apron

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## Remember Our Sick

**John Myers** – home, Hospice.

**Charles Ensey** – in Little Rock Hospital. Church office has address.

**Rebecca Gray** – Justin Vaughn's grandmother, diagnosed with Cancer.

**Kent Polson** – Allen Veasman's cousin, heart problems.

**Charles Proctor** – Marcia Stang's father, diagnosed with cancer, home receiving treatments.

**Martha Veasman** – Allen Veasman's sister-in-law, diagnosed with cancer, surgery and now follow-up treatments.

**Shut-ins:** Need prayers and visits.  
Dover Area:

**Bernice Brown**

**Evelyn Burton**

**Sandra Mooney**

**Mae Vanzandt**

Russellville Nursing and Rehab Center:  
**Thelma Hatcher**

Stella Manor:

**Louise Killer,**

**Pauline Whorton**

**Others Who Need Our Prayers:**

Walter and Thelma Arcynski, Twila Bench, Lawrence Boley, Susie Boley, Gail Brewer, Jamie Churchill, Stan Clark, Tom Cloud, Jeff Davis, Hoyt Ensey, Barbara Forehand, Sue Griffin, Brian Holloway, Hadden Jones, Robert and Rose Lee, Bobbye Meline, Jannie Myers, Reddie Smith, Tanya Smith, Stone Family, Lela Beth Wallace, Ahishi Web and Elsie Youngerman.

**Special Children:** Kaitlyn Ford, Emmy May, Gabriel Ross Finlayson, Keith Martin, Zachary Shelton and Noah Williams.

**Military:** Darus Brown, Greg Davis, Johnny Ragsdale, Cole Wetzel and Rudy Will.

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### Prayer & Sympathy

For the Family of Hiroko Hatcher who passed away September 19<sup>th</sup>, in Park, Florida. She was the daughter-in-law of Thelma Hatcher and the sister-in-law of Juanita Whitted.

## My Bible

Though the cover is worn,  
And the pages are torn,  
And though places bear  
traces of tears,  
Yet more precious than gold  
Is the Book worn and old,  
That can shatter and  
scatter my fears.

When I prayerfully look  
In the precious old Book,  
As my eyes scan the pages I see,  
Many tokens of love  
From the Father above,  
Who is nearest and dearest to me.

This old Book is my guide,  
'Tis a friend by my side,  
It will lighten and brighten my way;  
And each promise I find  
Sooths and gladdens my mind  
As I read and heed it today.

Author Unknown

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Did it ever strike you that goodness is not merely a beautiful thing, but by far the most beautiful thing in the world? So that nothing is to be compared for value with goodness; that riches, honor, power, pleasure, learning, the whole world and all in it, are not worth having in comparison with being good; and the utterly best thing for a man is to be good, even though he will never be rewarded for it.

Charles Kingsley

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kept their dresses clean. And wash day was a week away, usually each Monday.

Are aprons a thing of the past in the common household? Recently, I made a survey at our ladies' night devotional. Only a few remembered their moms wearing aprons. Yet, all of them said their grandmother did. It was part of their daily wardrobe, essential for the work they did.

With all our modern conveniences we no longer need an apron. There's not much mess in frozen pies and biscuits from a can. (Food was so much better then. That apron sure made a difference!)

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## Events

Dover Church of Christ  
Children's Church  
Every Sunday  
11:15 - 12:00 Noon  
Ages 4 thru 8  
Bible Story and  
Activities  
Ages 1 thru 3  
Nursery Class

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Dover Church of Christ  
Lawn Schedule  
  
October 21  
John Myers  
Troy Curtis

Ladies Night  
  
October 19,  
Thursday, 7:00 PM  
Dover Church of Christ  
Hostess: Tanya Smith

Daylight Saving Time  
  
October 29<sup>th</sup>  
Set the clock back one  
hour!

## Mark Your Calendars

### GOSPEL MEETING

October 15th thru 18th  
Mars Hill  
Church of Christ  
Vilonia, AR  
Speaker: Al Jolly  
Hilltop, TX

Friends Day  
  
“Youth Get Together”

Clarksville Church of Christ  
October 22, 6:00PM  
(Dinner Provided)  
Food, Fun and Fellowship!  
Speaker: Jon Binkley,  
From Paragould, AR  
RSVP: (479) 754-3360

### FALL FELLOWSHIP

October 15-19, 7:00 PM  
Downtown Church of Christ  
100 W. Church Street  
Morrilton, AR

5<sup>th</sup> Sunday  
October 29<sup>th</sup>  
Sunday morning service  
offering will be for Camp  
Candle.

## October Birthdays

01 Rose Lee  
Shannon Nicole  
09 Jason Clark  
Lisa Mullins  
12 Susie Boley  
13 Kelley Chance  
Cyndie Loper  
15 Heath Forehand  
16 Bonnie Vinson  
19 Robert Lee  
21 Brent Brown  
22 Kelsi Hottinger  
Emma Letson  
23 Blake Walters  
27 Carin Vaughn

If we missed your birthday,  
*please* let us know so it won't  
happen again.

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### “In Search of the Lord's Way”

Now 24/7  
The SEARCH Program can  
now be accessed at any time on  
its website:  
[www.searchtv.org](http://www.searchtv.org)

Mack Lyon's weekly lesson  
can be heard and viewed in this  
area on KATV, Channel 4,  
Sunday, 8:00 AM.

### GOSPEL MEETING

Dover Church of Christ  
November 10 thru 12  
David Riley (Mars Hill)

# ***THOSE TO SERVE***

***October 15, 2006***

## **Sunday A.M.**

**Announcer:** Randall Walters  
**Song Leader:** Merrell Shoptaw

### **Prayers**

Brett Walters  
Dennis Whiteside

### **Communion**

**Podium:** Chris Loper  
**Serve:** Donny Forehand  
Earl Kennedy  
Earl Whitted  
Gary Williams

### **Scripture Reading**

James Chadwick

## **Sunday P.M. Prayers**

Donny Forehand  
Earl Whitted

# **SPEAKER**

**Sunday A.M.**  
Micah Williams

**Sunday P.M.**  
Micah Williams

## **Prepare Table for Communion**

Gwen Hale and Bobbye Meline

## **Communion to Shut-Ins**

Lawrence Boley  
Marion Helton

### **Greeters**

Troy and Rachel Curtis

## **Wednesday Night Devotional**

**October 18, 2006**

Jim Killer

### **Meeting Times**

**Sunday Morning Bible Classes**  
9:45 A.M.  
**Sunday Morning Worship**  
10:45 A.M.  
**Sunday Evening Worship**  
6:00 P.M.  
**Ladies Tuesday Bible Class**  
10:00 A.M.  
**Wednesday Bible Classes**  
7:00 P.M.

**Minister:** Micah Williams  
**Church Office:** 479-331-3428  
**Or Cell:** 479-264-9244

### **Elders:**

William Boley 858-7131  
Jim Killer 331-2802  
Allen Veasman 331-2156  
Sid Womack 967-2367

### **Deacons:**

Chris Besterfeldt  
Donny Forehand  
Brent Hottinger  
Chris Loper  
Rex McDaniel  
Chris Moss  
Joe Miller

### **Nursery Attendants:**

**Sunday Class:** Patsy Wisbrock  
Kaeli Miller  
**Sunday Church:** Pat McAlister  
Kaeli Miller

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