From Robert's Desk

What is Very Heavy, But Hard to Put Down? By Robert Orren

Maybe you are old enough to remember Karl Malden looking at you through the TV screen and imploring, "Don't leave home without it." Of course he was referring to the American Express card. The idea was that you would be much more secure if you always kept it with you.

But have you ever considered that there are some things you would be much better off leaving behind? One thing that comes to my mind is a grudge. I have heard that grudges are heavy, yet hard to put down. Sometimes we think we must "settle the score." It can be difficult to let go.

But let's look at an example of a man who refused to carry a grudge. Joseph had to overcome betrayal, slavery, false accusation, imprisonment, and a broken promise. In Genesis 50:19-21, when he had a chance to settle the score with the brothers who started this chain of events, Joseph told them that though they meant these things for evil, God meant them for good. He then told his brothers he would take care of them and their families. Notice also in these verses that he comforted them and spoke kindly to them.

It sounds like Joseph was able to put down the grudge, but what was his secret? The answer lies in the name of his firstborn son. Joseph named him Manasseh, "For God has made me forget all my toil and all my father's house," Genesis 41:51. His secret was that he allowed the blessings of God to outweigh the hardships of his life. When we remember the things that God has done *for* us, it makes it easier to forget what others have done *to* us. Don't allow grudges to outweigh God's blessings in your life.

Have a great week!

Attendance and Contribution October 10th

Bible Study 26
Morning Worship 46
Evening Worship 25

Wednesday (Oct 6th) Count NA

Offering (Aug Avg) \$1,784 Offering (YTD Avg) \$1,757

Additional Announcements

Dovie Smith was born on Saturday, October 9th.

Congratulations to proud parents **Garrett and Becca Smith!** We rejoice with you.

UPCOMING

Blaze Youth Rally

October 29-31 70 West church of Christ, Hot Springs

Daylight Savings Time

Sunday, November 7 Set your clocks back 1 hour on Saturday, November 6

Potluck Lunch

Sunday, November 7 in the old house

"... a sharp tongue is the only edged tool that grows keener with constant use."—Washington Irving from Rip Van Winkle

See Psalm 141:3 and Proverbs 10:19

Helpful Resources:

Good News Today
7:00 AM Sunday
KARZ-42 / Little Rock

In Search of the Lord's Way 7:30 AM Sunday KASN-38 / Little Rock

Kaio Publications, Inc. kaiopublications.org

Gospel Broadcasting Network gbntv.org

Prayer Requests

- Colt Moore upcoming surgery on Oct 21st and on Nov 12th
- Lamar Kelly, a friend of Janelle McLendon stage 4 cancer in liver and backbone

Continue to remember: Keith Sullens, Mary Lewis, Amy Ware, and Boyce & Betty McClane.

As always, remember to check in on our shut-ins:

- Annie Smith (ONRC)
- Camille Petree (ONRC)





Communion preparation for October Doug and Donna Sanders

October 17th

THOSE TO SERVE

2707 Mount Holly Road Camden, AR 71701

Terry Sanders Seb Sanders Doug Sanders Robert Orren Gail Williams Colt Moore John Brown Clyde Bever Brandon Burns October 20th Colt Moore Garrett Smith Seb Sanders Lord's Table Preside Lord's Table Serve Lord's Table Serve Wednesday, Lord's Table & Prayer **Morning Worship** Scripture: Lead Singing Script. & Prayer Devotional Opening Prayer Closing Prayer Announcements **Opening Prayer** Opening Prayer Closing Prayer PM Worship* Lead Singing

October 17, 2021 WELCOME



We are glad to have the opportunity to worship God with you.

We hope you find our worship to be in spirit and in truth (John 4:24).

WEEKLY SERVICES & TIMES

Services will be streamed via Facebook Live. Like our Facebook page to get notifications.

Sunday Bible Class 9:00 AM

Exodus Robert Orren

Sunday Afternoon Worship 1:00 PM

Wasted Second Chance (Nahum) Robert Orren

Sunday Morning Worship 10:00 AM

How Do We Compare? (Smyrna) Robert Orren

Mid-Week Bible Study Wednesday 7:00 PM

Parables of Jesus Robert Orren

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