

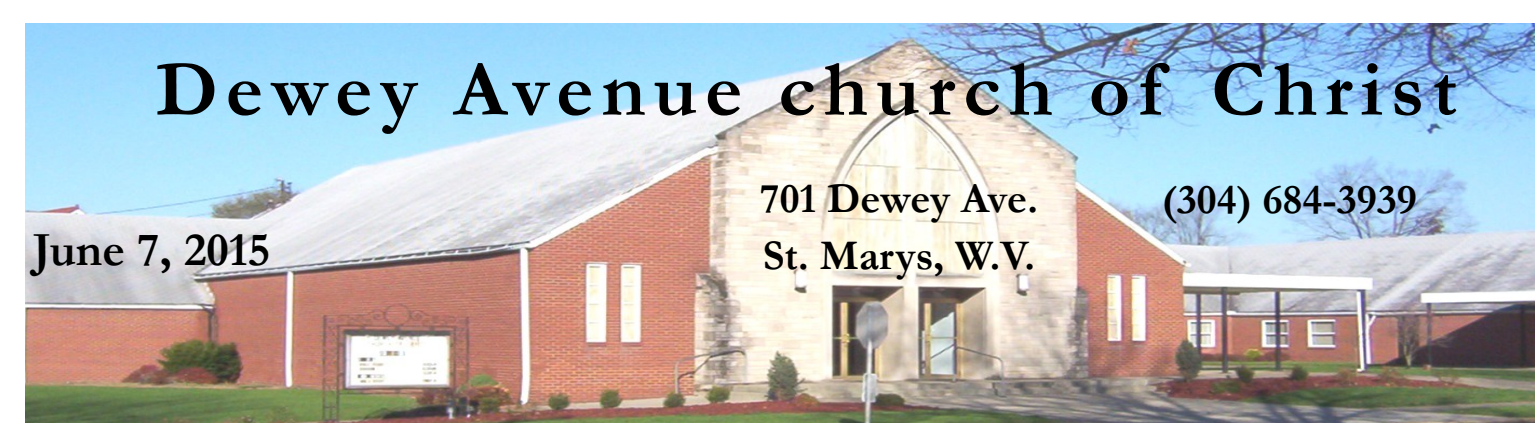
Morning Sermon:

What Can Bible Study Do For Me?

Hebrews 5:11-14

Evening Sermon:

Colossians 4:2-4



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JESUS AND CAESAR

By Dale Parsley

In the first century, Roman Emperor Caesar, was worshipped arguably by millions as a “god.” In fact, one of the common complaints against Christianity among the Romans was their refusal to participate in emperor worship. During that same era, another man on earth, also claimed to be divine, Jesus. In contrasting the grand differences between Caesar and Jesus, author Wilbur Smith writes, “Caesar was the ruler of the Roman Empire, one of the greatest rulers the earth has ever known; Jesus was a humble carpenter in the obscure little Nazareth. Caesar had proved himself one of the supreme military geniuses of all time; Jesus walked only the roads of Palestine and conquered only individuals. To follow Caesar meant glory, rich spoil, and political office. To follow Jesus meant to be ostracized from the ecclesiastical circles of Palestine; it mean persecution and hardship and death. Caesar gathered around him the great of that day; Pompey, Cicero, Brutus, Antony, etc. Jesus gathered around him a tax collector and some Galilean fishermen. Caesar died spectacularly stabbed by Brutus, a death that Caesar’s friends determined immediately to revenge, a death that shook the Roman Empire. Jesus died in shame on a cross between two thieves, with a mob throwing insults at Him...” (p.36). Mr. Smith goes on to ask, “How does it happen that within two centuries the Caesar cult was dead, but thousands and thousands of men and women of every walk of life had been delivered from the bondage of sin and the fear of death by the name of Jesus Christ? How does it happen that the Caesar cult as well as the other ancient Roman and Greek religions are not found today, but the ‘Christian cult’ goes on?” (Chats from A Minister’s Library, 1951, p. 36)

The logical explanation for such grand contrasts both then and now is the simple fact that Caesars’ body is still in the ground. The tomb where Jesus’ body was laid is empty. Paul wrote that Jesus was “declared to be the Son of God in the power according to the Spirit of holiness by His resurrection from the dead” (Romans 1:4).

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NEWS AND NOTES:

WVCYC: WV Christian Youth Camp starts it's first of six weeks starting **June 21-26** with Sports Week (ages 12-18); **June 28-July 4**, Senior Week (ages 14-18); **July 5-11**, Intermediate Week (ages 11-14); **July 12-17**, Junior Week (ages 7-11); **July 19-25**, All Age Week (ages 8-18); **July 26-August 1**, Singing Emphasis Week, (ages 12-18)

June 7: Baby Shower for Baby Boy Parsley on Sunday afternoon at 2:00pm. No newborn clothing is needed. There is a list of requested gifts on the back bulletin board.

Picnic June 20th: at Dave & Carla Parks' home from 5pm-8pm. Will be a pot luck.

Carehaven Devo: Will be held Thursday June 11th at 7:15pm in Belmont.

Thank You
I want to thank everyone who sent cards, phone calls, and especially prayed in behalf of my recent medical problems. It means so much to me to know that you all care. God Bless You.
 Evelyn Hall

"I am crucified with Christ: nevertheless I live; yet not I, but Christ liveth in me: and the life which I now live in the flesh I live by the faith of the Son of God, who loved me, and gave himself for me."
Galations 2:20



Radio and TV Programs



Good News of Peace: Sundays: 8:00 AM on WRRR 93.9 FM
Gospel Broadcasting Network: Dish Network Channel: 9407 (noon); Direct TV Channel: 376 (7:30 AM)
In Search of the Lord's Way: 7:30—Channel 4, Parkersburg; 7:30—Channel 15, Parkersburg; 8:00— Channel 7, Wheeling; 11:30—Channel 5, Clarksburg

REMEMBER IN PRAYER:



Myles Manning continues to be in a medical coma at Nationwide Children's Hospital in Columbus. They are slowly weening him off the sedations. He will continue sedations until the respirator comes out and is breathing on his own. He has a long road ahead of him and will probably remain in the hospital thru August. Following is the address for Myles and family (Monica & Mark):

NCH
Myles Manning, Room H2B35 (ICU)
700 Children's Drive
Columbus, OH 43205

Marie Newland received a good report from her PET Scan.

Remember those on our prayer list:

Sue Holland, Marie Newland, Evelyn Hall, Geraldine Stewart, Anthony Butcher, Myles Manning, Janie Judge, & Madeline McFadden. Remember those who are shut-in, receiving cancer treatments, traveling and our military.

Schedule of Services:

Sunday:
 Morning:
 Bible Class: 9:30
 Worship: 10:30
 Evening:
 Prayer Meeting: 6:00
 Worship: 6:30
Wednesday:
 Bible Study: 7:00

THOSE SERVING June 7th:

Morning Worship:
Announcements: Buzz Williams
Song Leader: Craig Dutton
Ushers: Richard Davis, Stephen Hays
Communion: Dave Lancaster, Tom Becker, Thomas Kessinger, Bill Dutton, Elmer Burns, Jason Cousins
Reading and Prayer: Kyle Lancaster
Closing Prayer: Eric Croasmun
Door Greeters: Darren Parks Family, Brian Mercer Family

Evening Worship:
Communion: Melvin Truax
Prayer: Dave Parks
Closing Prayer: Clay Perkins
Wednesday:
Song leader: Craig Dutton
Prayer: Kevin Mercer
Closing Prayer: Lew Wilson

THOSE SERVING June 14th:

Morning Worship:
Announcements: Larry Butcher
Song Leader: Darren Parks
Ushers: Ed Wilson, Ethan Davis
Communion: Hal Powell, Wirt Cook, Eric Butler, Cole Butcher, Randy Fluharty, Jesse Barnhart
Reading and Prayer: Camaron Lancaster
Closing Prayer: Clint Perkins
Door Greeters: Richard & Brenda Davis, Richard Lee Davis Family

Evening Worship:
Communion: Glenn Stewart
Prayer: Gerald Burns
Closing Prayer: Connor Lancaster
Wednesday:
Song leader: Darren Parks
Prayer: John Rockhold
Closing Prayer: Scott Judge