# Sermon Notes

# The Inevitable and the Immovable

There are times in life when we find things in our way that we cannot move. Even after persistent, fervent prayer, the cup of suffering is brought to quivering lips, and we must drink of it--right down to the bitter dregs.

Abraham Lincoln said, "Some troubles are like the stump an old farmer had in his field-too hard to uproot, too knotty to split, and too wet and soggy to burn." When asked what to do in a spot like that, he replied, "Well, I would just plow around it." Some situations are like that old stump. They are there and cannot be changed and must be accepted. May God give us grace and strength to accept the inevitable and plow around the immovable."

"The fruit of the Spirit is . . . Longsuffering." (Galatians 5:22)

# YOUTH NEWS AND HAPPENINGS ...

Songs of Summer - Tonight, 7:30 p.m.

TNT - Tuesday - 6:30 PM

<u>Lads Sign Ups</u> - See Doug/Mitzi if you want to sign your child up for Lads 2 Leaders.

<u>Peanut Butter Drive For Haiti</u> If you are able, bring one jar of peanut butter every week -- Deadline, July 25th.

<u>Trash Pandas Game - July 23rd - They will be</u> playing the Tennessee Smokies and tickets are \$8 each. This outing is

OPEN TO EVERYONE!

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His Life Hid in Your Heart

Week 28: I Am... The True Vine By Will Hanstein

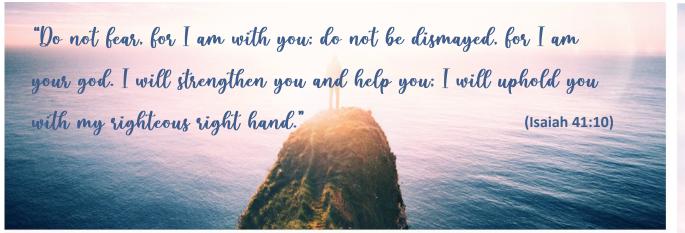
I'm really impressed with Will's material for this week's devotionals. They are to the point, and focus on several important elements of Jesus' comments comparing himself, his Father, and his followers to elements of the vineyard in John 15. I think you will appreciate the layout as you read, also.

One of the concluding devotional ideas he brings out is this: "If we abide in the vine, Jesus, we can bear much fruit. But, what kind of fruit must we bear? We must produce others like ourselves. We must produce those that are joined to the true vine (John 15:4), obedient to his commands (John 15:10), producing fruit themselves (John 15:5), being pruned by the Father (John 15:2), and continuing to abide in the vine, Jesus (15:5-6)."

It's so much more than just reading, isn't it? It's the challenge to forge ahead according to God's will, and to correct our course when we see we've strayed. It's encouragement to press on and grace to try again. The words of Jesus compel us when we are doing everything we can to draw near to him! And that's how branches grow on the vine, and produce good fruit!

There's so much nutrition to be gained from remaining close to our source of life. Read a little each day, and be blessed! Do it everyday, and change your life!

With Love, Adam



# **Today's Service**

Sunday July 11th, 2021

Song Service	Joshua Pannell
Song - "Let God Arise"	
Elder Welcome	Loui <mark>s Mc</mark> Adams
Song	
Song	
Lord's Supper/Contribution	Patri <mark>c</mark> k <mark>M</mark> itchell
Song	
Scripture & Prayer	Jerry South
(Psalm 127:3)	
Song	
Message	Doug Jackson
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Closing Prayer...... Ken Marlow

Join us tonight at 5:00 p.m. for our evening service. It will be a singing service, so come ready with a song!

# **Other Servants**

July

#### **Ushers**

**Dustin Burns & Bradley Strait** 

# Lord's Supper/Lock Up

Joe Creasy

#### **Audio/Visual**

**Today/Wed:** Doug J/Presley S. 18th/21st: T. Mays/R. Lee

#### **Lord's Supper Ministry**

Terry Oakley, Glenn Dupuy, Adam Richardson

#### **Security Team - JULY**

Brandon B./Larry H./Matt K. Deirdre M./Joe M./Wade S.

#### **Greeters:**

Drew/K. Burns(F) Bradley/A. Strait (S)

#### **Bus Drivers this Week**

Wade Strait (Today) W. Strait (Wed)

# Wed. Song Leader (July 14th)

Jon Oakley

#### Wed. Invitation (July 14th)

**Brandon Edwards** 

#### **Zones On Call - Ladies**

#1/#2 - Betty Parks/Susie Strait #3/#4 - T. Williams/T. Quillen

## **Deepest Sympathy**

Deepest sympathy is expressed to the Sue Behel family, over the passing of her son, Samuel Behel Tuesday morning. His service was held on Friday.

# **Baptized**

Destini Brown

Jolie Jackson

#### **JR YOUTH UPCOMING ACTIVITIES**

<u>This Wednesday Night</u> - Ice Cream Outing after church at Chat & Chew. (ages 2 years - 6th grade).

<u>Kid's Day - Monday, July 26th</u> - 10 - 12 p.m. (at the building)

<u>Saturday</u>, <u>July 31st - Back to School Bash</u> At Jon/Emily Oakley's home. More to follow!

Upon Waking. Let your first thought be ... "THANK YOU"

# **SICK**

Louella Balentine - (e-coli, prayers) now at home
Benjamin Behel - (son of Sue, bladder cancer/
surgery) 118 Shelley Lane, Flo., AL 35633
Selena Brown - (friend of Jennifer Johnson) blood
cancer---her son, Heath Brown has throat cancer
Vonda Gresham Brown - (niece of J. Crow/C. Garrett, cancer) prayer for healing/complications from it
Marjorie Cox - (vocal chord surgery recently) home
Winnie Cummings - (mom of Debra Taylor, hospice)
Mitchell Hollingsworth

Jonell Darby - (weak) in Mitchell Hollingsworth Rehab, room #25 - (needs encouragement) Gloria Danley - (car wreck, cracked sternum) home Graham & Diane Fiveash - (dad/mom of Amanda Lee, Covid) req. prayers **Leota Hariman** - (eye cancer spread to bones/back) **Amy Lee** - (broke ankle/ 2nd surg.) Glenwood

Virginia May - (fractured vertebra) NAMC for testing may go to Huntsville for possible surgery

Laboratory (boothers in lower for Lorice I) was in

**John Newton** - (brother-in-law of Janice J) was in hospital

**Ann Oakley** - (broke leg, at home) 315 Sherborne Ct., Florence, AL 35633

Betty Parks - (surgery/staph/infection in spine) 201 Westview Dr., 35633

**Don Pollard** - (brother-in-law of C. Watkins, health issues/pneumonia) 1502 Duntreath, Flo., 35630

**Poncho Rivera** - (kidney transplant, was in hospital/pneumonia) now at home

**Frederick Roggenbuck** - (dad of Dave/pancreatic cancer) req. prayers

**Celeste Wills** - (cancer spread to bones/muscles) **Bella Winters** - (heart transplant) recovering at home

## **Announcements...**

<u>Singing Service Tonight</u> - If you have a song you would like to lead or have led---please see Jon Oakley.

**Elders Meet on Mondays - 6:30 p.m.** Elders will meet on Wednesdays on an as-needed basis.

<u>Ladies' Morning Coffee Break</u> - Tuesday morning, 9:30 a.m. at the home of: Amanda Young (1980 Co. Road 124, Florence, AL 35633)

<u>Ladies' Prayer Meeting</u> - Moved to next Tuesday (20th), 6:00 p.m. It will be at the home of Mitzi Jackson.

<u>Peanut Butter Drive</u> - We will be collecting jars of peanut butter for Haiti. Deadline (July 25th).

<u>Church Safety & Security</u> - If you would like to help be on a security team--please see Jimmy Marks.

<u>Wednesday Summer Series -</u> Summer Series continues this Wednesday. Brandon Edwards from Nashville will be here to speak--(Psalm 78)

<u>Trash Pandas Game</u> - Friday, July 23rd. Open to all! Sign up at youth office door if interested.

<u>Preschool Registration</u> - is open for the fall semester. There are only a few spots left. (age 18 months - 4 years) Please contact Kayla Burns.

<u>Ladies' Day</u> - Ladies, if any of you would like to help with a Ladies' Day/Conference -- please see Julie Fulmer. The date has been set for Saturday, December 4th. Many hands will be needed to make this successful!