

NSD Notes

For though I be free from all men, yet have I made myself servant unto all, that I might gain the more. (1 Cor. 9:19)

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Services

Bible Study 10 a.m.

Morning Service.....11 a.m.

Evening Service.....6 p.m.

Wednesday Meeting.....7 p.m.

News @ NSD

WELCOME VISITORS!

Please keep in your prayers

Ernest Peeples – awaiting deployment to Kuwait; He does not have his military email yet; you can email him at: ginyuforce806@yahoo.com

Ken and Martha Holloway – Ken is still unable to drive and since Martha has a heart ailment it is difficult for them to get out to service on a regular basis;

Jeanne Lynne (Adams' daughter) is recovering from her surgery and will begin chemotherapy treatment in the coming months.

Chuck Holloway (Ken's brother) and Benjamin Hoskins (Daniel's Dad) need prayer for their recurring ailments.

Sally Harper and Alana are visiting relatives in North Carolina.

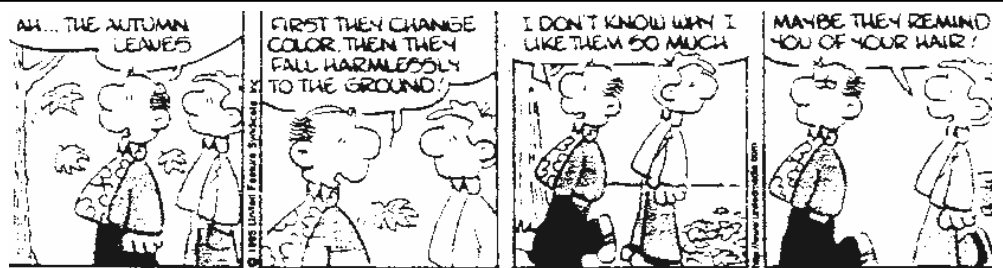
Yedid Minjares will be in Mexico for the next 2 weeks.

February Birthdays

5th – Gloria DeLeon
14th – Robyn Hamilton

YOU ARE OF MORE VALUE...

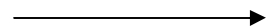
But the very hairs of your head are all numbered. Do not fear therefore; you are of more value than many sparrows. (Luke 12:7)



When I stand before the mirror, this verse keeps coming to mind. It is painfully obvious that God no longer needs to do much counting when it comes to the hairs on the top of my head. The passage of time has left it's impact on my pate, but such is life. In fact with the passage of time a lot of things become apparent. Including the import that God places on man. Which is exactly what Jesus is stressing in the passage noted above. It is a recurring theme with Jesus, as He also touches on the value of man in the Sermon on the Mount as seen in **Matthew 6:25ff** to cite one of many references.

The Psalmist would ask the question, "What is man, that you are mindful of him?" (**8:4**) It is a valid question to be sure. It is a question that God has powerfully provided and answer to. He manifested His care and concern for mankind by the gift of His Son. "For God so loved the world, that He gave His only begotten Son, that whoever believes in Him should not perish, but have eternal life." (**John 3:16**)

This gift on the part of God was an expression of His infinite love for mankind and a demonstration of what He thought in respect to man-



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All are welcome to our worship
and study meetings!

*... singing psalms and hymns and spiritual songs with
thankfulness in your hearts to God. Col 3:16*

Praise the LORD!

Oh, give thanks to the LORD,
for He is good!

For His mercy endures forever.
Who can utter the mighty acts
of the LORD?

Who can declare all His praise?
Blessed are those who keep justice,
And he who does righteousness
at all times!

Psalm 106:1-3

O Jesus I have promised
To serve Thee to the end
Be Thou forever near me
My Master and my Friend
I shall not fear the battle
If Thou art by my side
Nor wander from the pathway
If Thou wilt be my Guide

O Jesus Thou hast promised
To all who follow Thee
That where Thou art in glory
There shall Thy servant be
And Jesus I have promised
To serve thee to the end
O give me grace to follow
My Master and my Friend

Arthur H. Mann

[You Are of More Value...]

kind's worth. Clearly God did not seek to pawn off a trinket as a gift that had little or no value to Him, rather He gave the finest. His Son. In **Isaiah 42:1**, the account points out that the Son is the eternal delight of the Father.

***Behold! My Servant whom I uphold,
My Elect One in whom My soul delights!
I have put My Spirit upon Him;
He will bring forth justice to the Gentiles.***

The apostle Paul in the epistle to the brethren in Rome, writes openly about this wonderful expression of God's value of mankind as seen in chapters five and six. It was from this perspective that Paul wrote in verse 23 of chapter six, "*For the wages of sin is death, but the free gift of God is eternal life in Christ Jesus our Lord.*"

When one takes the time to sit back, reflect and really drink in the full thrust of the gift of Christ it is overwhelming. To think that God sees in each one of us such tremendous worth and value! That knowledge should serve in such a way as to exhilarate each one of us. **Imagine, that God has enough love for me, that He would give to me the gift of His Son!**

"Knowing that you were not redeemed with perishable things like silver or gold from your futile way of life inherited from your forefathers, but with precious blood, as of a lamb unblemished and spotless, the blood of Christ." (1Peter 1:18-19) Thanks be to God, that He cared enough to send the very best. It is certainly wonderful to know God and to be known by God. To know that you have worth and value beyond compare.

From The Bulwark. Oct 5, 2008.

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