

From Faith to Faith

Granbury Street Church of Christ

Gospel Meeting with David Baker

October 11-13, 2013



David Baker is a native of Houston, Texas. He and his wife, Opal, have three children and nine grandchildren. Before becoming a full-time gospel preacher, David worked for the Conroe Telephone Company. Since graduating from Southwest School of Bible Studies in 1988, he has preached in Mathis, Lovelady, and now Emory, Texas, where he also serves as an elder.

Friday

7:00 p.m. Growing Weary

Saturday

7:00 p.m. Our Place of Refuge

Sunday

9:00 a.m. The Hedge

10:00 a.m. Three Lessons From The Life Of Joshua

5:00 p.m. The Love Of My Life

Shepherds

Sid Carruth
Kenneth Helm
Clark Lehtinen
George Sowell

Deacons

Gary Barger
Jeff Day
Vince Grinnell
Justin Hewlett
Bill Hughes
Tim Norman

Preacher

Kevin Rhodes

Sunday

Bible Study
9:00 am

AM Worship
10:00 am

PM Worship
5:00 pm

Wednesday

Ladies Class
10:00 am

Bible Study
7:00 pm

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Remaking Your Identity - 1

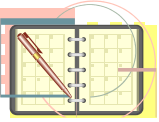
Kevin W. Rhodes

Most people accept that they will have to make some changes in order to follow Jesus. If they have given it much thought, either before considering a Bible study or a visit to a congregation, many will have a list in mind before anyone else says a word. Others get an idea of what Jesus might require from the studies or sermons they hear early in their experience. However, few appreciate what Jesus actually has in mind. As people expressed the desire to follow Him along with their own attached condition, Jesus quickly countered, insisting that He not become *a* priority in life but rather *the* priority in life. “And another also said, ‘Lord, I will follow You, but let me first go and bid them farewell who are at my house.’ But Jesus said to him, ‘No one, having put his hand to the plow, and looking back, is fit for the kingdom of God’” (Luke 9:61-62). Most people see themselves in terms of their relationships with those around them. Their identity comes from their work, from their family, from their friends, or from some combination of the same. However, in order to become a disciple of Jesus Christ, each and every one must commit to remaking his identity according to his relationship with God.

For many people, attachments to this world and the people of this world can keep them from gaining a strong enough attachment to the Lord. As Jesus demonstrated in His explanation of the Parable of the Sower (Mt. 13:18-23), squishy commitment and too strong a care for the world cause people to compromise or even abandon their relationship with Christ when Satan pushes hard

enough. Yet, few see their relationships as a potential problem. We tend to view our physical relationships as what get us through life instead of realizing that they often drag us down. Adam and Eve illustrated the problem from the very beginning (Gen. 3). Lot’s wife let sentiment for earthly relationships keep her from safety (Gen. 19). Solomon began his reign well but later allowed the foreign wives he had married to exercise ungodly influence (1 Kings 11). Ananias and Sapphira agreed together to lie to God (Acts 5). Thus, we men tend to overvalue human relationships and undervalue the meaning of a divine relationship. We cannot afford to have any relationship standing between us and our Savior, and yet that happens all of the time. Friends and family allow themselves, whether knowingly or unwittingly, to become proxy tempters for Satan, offering choices or even making demands on the basis of an earthly relationship to pry away spiritual commitment.

When we begin to identify with God, spiritual things and spiritual relationships become what see us through life. On the night He was betrayed, Jesus called His disciples to identify with Him and with one another to a degree previously unseen: “A new commandment I give to you, that you love one another; as I have loved you, that you also love one another. By this all will know that you are My disciples, if you have love for one another” (Jn. 13:34-35). But we must not only begin doing God’s will and being God’s people to identify ourselves with Him. We must also determine not to allow other things to distract us from our relationship with Him.



News and Notes

Among our sick

- Juanita Baxter is having problems getting her blood sugar regulated.
- Helen Henslee had tests this past week.
- Kay Holly's colon surgery has been postponed again due to technical problems.
- Butch Rainey, a member from the Brown Trail congregation, has asked for prayers. Has asked for prayers from our congregation. He had abdominal surgery and is facing heart surgery.
- Dorothy Dossey's daughter, Anita Slater is seeing a heart specialist. There has been such a change in her EKG over the past two months. He said she has had a heart attack. She is scheduled for more tests to determine what can be done.

Please Note

- Saturday, September 28th, Cherokee Home for Children Annual Auction will be at 9:00 AM. If you have donations bring them to the building the weekend before the auction.
- If you would like to help with the costs of the food please give your money to Clark Lehtinen. All the money goes to the home that we make from the sales to help the children.
- Sunday, September 29th, will be our next 5th Sunday. We will have our regular morning worship services, potluck lunch in the annex and 1:00 PM singing in the auditorium.
- Our Gospel Meeting with David Baker will be October 11th—13th. There are flyers in the foyer to mail out. Please make plans to attend.
- Sunday, October 6th, the 7th grade—college age youth devotional will be at Hoby and Cyndi Hughes home in Grandview. Boys bring drinks. Girls bring desserts. There are maps in the foyer.
- Tuesday, October 8th, 55 years and older game night will be at 6:00 PM in the annex.
- Saturday, October 19th, Bible Search will be at 10:00 AM. Family Day will be at 10:30 AM in the annex.
- Saturday, October 19th, Barger's Annual Fish Fry will be at their home starting at 6:00 PM. There will be maps in the foyer closer.
- Saturday, October 26th, Ladies Day at the Cowan's home.
- Monday, October 28th, Teachers' appreciation Banquet will be at 7:00 PM in the annex. Jason Sparks will be the speaker.

Those who Serve Lords' Supper: 9/29

Front South

Rob Stidolph
J. D. Allen
D. J. Stucky

Front North

Mike Harding
Colton Allen
Larry Thompson

Back South

Gene Threadgill
Dale Ash
Gary Barger

Back North

Ricky Threadgill
Weldon York
Steve Baze

Leading prayers:

Sunday AM

Justin Hewlett
Gary Barger

Sunday PM

Rob Stidolph
Cody Grinnell

Wednesday PM

Colton Allen

Announcements:

Sunday AM-PM:

Tim Norman

Wednesday

Ryan Cowan

Song leaders:

Sunday AM

Russ Jones

Sunday PM

Russ Jones

Wednesday PM

Paul Doyel

Foyer Personnel:

Sunday & Wednesday

Wayne Gentry

Collection Counting

Don Crecelius / Johnny Walker

Wed. PM Devotional (10/2)

Perry Elkins



Sermons for Sunday

AM

The True Church
The Book of Ephesians

PM

Singing



Listen to the Gospel!

Luis and Mike in the Mornings

(Monday - Friday) from 7:00 am - 9:00 am cst on
KnowTheTruthRadio.org

Biblical Foundations with Pat McIntosh

(Tuesday - Thursday) 7:00 am or 11:00 am
btradio.net



Our Records

Bible Class	129
AM Worship.....	222
PM Worship	148
Wednesday Bible Class 9/18.....	165
Contribution	\$5,593

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