The fool says in his heart, “There is no God.”

Psalm 14:1.

You believe that there is one God. Good! Even the demons believe that—and shudder.

James 2:19.

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NOTES FROM DENNIS

THERE IS A GOD

“Guard your steps when you go into the presence of God. Go near to listen rather than offer sacrifice of fools, who do not know when they do wrong. Do not be quick with your mouth, do not be hasty in your heart to utter anything before God. God is in heaven and you are on earth, so let your words be few… Therefore, stand in awe of God.”

Ecclesiastes 5:1, 2, and 7b.

The most important truth in all the world is that there is a God. Another important truth is: You are not God! And because there is a God a number of “therefores” follow. However, it is difficult to get to the “therefores” because most of us are too busy describing God from our own point of view. If I were to tell you that our President is six foot six, weighs 350 pounds and is a republican you would think I do not know what I am talking about. As I talk to people, I hear so many things said about God and what God thinks and what God will do or what he will not do that I know that they do not know what they are talking about. Many of us are so quick to speak for God that we stand in the place of God.

If I were to stand in the presence of our president and tell him that he is six foot six, weighs 350 pounds, and is a republican he would think I was an idiot. So often, we stand in the presence of God and tell him that homosexuality is not a sin-- it is just an alternative lifestyle, premarital sex is ok (after all we live in the 21st century), baptism and church attendance are just options that we can take or leave. God has spoken about these things yet some have the audacity to oppose God and say differently. Why not let God tell us what he is like and what he will do or not do? It is in his word, the Bible!

Our God is our loving Father and he loves us much more than we could ever imagine. But we need to always remind ourselves

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that he is God and we are not. God is in heaven and we are on earth. Therefore, go near to
listen and learn from God. Therefore, stand in awe of God!

In the council of the Holy ones God is greatly feared; he is more awesome than all who
surround him. Lord Almighty, who is like you? You are mighty, O Lord, and your
faithfulness surrounds you. (Psalm 89:7, 8).

WORSHIP ASSIGNMENTS FOR THIS WEEK

Announcements and Prayer.............Brent Galloway
Serving in Song.................................Benjamin Smith
Serving Communion..............................Dale Jackson

Tom G. ~ Ken D. ~ Dave W. - Eric W.
Scripture Reading.........................Gary Galloway
1 Corinthians 1:18-25: For the message of the cross is
foolishness to those who are perishing, but to us who
are being saved it is the power of God. For it is
written: “I will destroy the wisdom of the wise; the
intelligence of the intelligent I will frustrate.” Where is
the wise person? Where is the teacher of the law?
Where is the philosopher of this age? Has not God
made foolish the wisdom of the world? For since in
the wisdom of God the world through its wisdom did
not know him, God was pleased through the
foolishness of what was preached to save those who
believe. Jews demand signs and Greeks look for
wisdom, but we preach Christ crucified: a stumbling
block to Jews and foolishness to Gentiles, but to those
whom God has called, both Jews and Greeks, Christ
the power of God and the wisdom of God. For the
foolishness of God is wiser than human wisdom, and
the weakness of God is stronger than human strength.

Serving In Prayer.............................JL
Nursery Servants.............................Frieda D. and Tammy

In Our Thoughts And Prayers

Health: Rea Drury, Sarah Aldridge, Bruce &
Jo Hannaford, Jacque Keen, Betty Fine, Faye
Galloway, Janice Brown, Tom Smith, Charles
Hooper, Volena Back, Vergie Galloway, David
Shelton, Jackson Davis, Luke Jackson, Randy
Page, Jim and Jessie Ball, Bobbie Arrowood,
Modeane’s Sister, Patrick and Jamie’s parents,
Carolyn Keith, and Carolyn Gooch.

Our Missions and Outreach Work: Garry
Jones (India), Jiten (India), Gafners (Kenya),
Tennessee Children’s Home, World Christian
Broadcasting, Disaster Relief, and our Minister
Search Committee.

NEWS AND NOTES

ATTENDANCE: Last Sunday – Bible classes: 67.
Worship: 93, Noon: 37, Canterfield: 18, 6:00
p.m. 11, Wednesday Bible Classes: 20.
Contribution: $2,937.00.

(1) BIRTHDAYS: Sara A. – September 12th,
Carolyn K. – September 13th, Kent – September
16th.

(2) LADIES’ BIBLE CLASS: Ladies’ Bible class
begins this Tuesday at 10 a.m.

(3) MEN’S PIZZA: Will not meet this Tuesday as
scheduled but on the 20th. Take note of the change.

(4) FISH FRY: This Friday, September 16th. There
is a sign-up sheet on the bulletin board.

(5) LADIES FALL LUNCHEON: September 24th
at 11:30 a.m. in the fellowship hall. All ladies
invited. Bring a friend and a dish to share. See Kelly
for more details.

(6) NEW DIRECTORY: Make sure you fill out the
new directory sheet (pink sheet) and give it to
Tammy. Genni will take pictures today so pose for
her.

(7) Betty Eason has the shingles. Luke goes to
Vanderbilt for surgery on Friday. Irene’s sister-in-
law (Marjorie Matthews) had hip surgery.
Remember her in your prayers.

(8) GUEST SPEAKER NEXT SUNDAY: Si
Tilton will tell us about the work in Ghana, West
Africa.

(9) LONE MOUNTAIN BRUNCH will be October
15th at the Smiths.

(10) DISASTER RELIEF: We’ll have a special
collection on September 25th for Disaster Relief.
Make checks to NYA Church of Christ and mark for
“Disaster Relief.”

(11) CONGRATULATIONS: Callen Winningham
was born Friday afternoon. 8lb 7oz. Mom and baby
are doing great.