

with the filthy conversation of the wicked: (For that righteous man dwelling among them, in seeing and hearing, vexed his righteous soul from day to day with their unlawful deeds;) the Lord knoweth how to deliver the godly out of temptations, and to reserve the unjust unto the day of judgment to be punished. (2 Pet. 2:4-9)

Where is your Sodom and Gomorrah? Is it the casinos? Is the bar to meet singles? Is it your girlfriend's bedroom or the back of your car in a dimly lit area? Where is your Sodom and Gomorrah?

Who is your Goliath? We all remember him—in First Samuel 17, he was the champion of the Philistines that harassed the Israelites every morning and every night. In fact, he would not give up—he did so for forty days (1 Sam. 17:16). He was relentless. He struck fear in them all,

including the king, Saul—the one who stood head and shoulders above all other Israelites (1 Sam. 9:2). Among the enemies of God, there was no one more ruthless. He was a thorn in their side until a young boy named David came with complete faith and trust in God and killed him. Who is your Goliath? Is it your spouse who abuses you mentally and berates you emotionally? Is it your coworker who laughs at you because you are a Christian and ignores your feelings with crude language?

Therefore, you may need to avoid some things (forbidden fruit). You may need to avoid some places (Sodom and Gomorrah). You may need to avoid some people (Goliath). The prayer that ought to be on our lips is the one Jesus taught us: “And lead us not into temptation, but deliver us from evil” (Matt. 6:13).

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Bulletin

June 4, 2017

Sunday

Bible Class: 9:30 AM
Worship: 10:30 AM / 6 PM

Wednesday

Bible Study: 7 PM

Thursday

Ladies Bible Class: 9:30 AM

Sun. Morning Radio & TV

KTXR 101.3 FM

Lifeline, 7:15 AM

Channel 10

Search, 7 AM

Living Word, 7:30 AM

Channel 33

Know Your Bible, 10:30 AM

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Weaknesses

By Sam Willcut

It goes without saying that Satan, the great tempter, knows our weaknesses, for he knows that “... all have sinned, and come short of the glory of God” (Rom. 3:23). Yet, just as he knew that Jesus had fasted for forty days and nights and immediately hit Him with his first temptation to attack Him there, he knows our greatest weaknesses and hits us there.

We do not like to think about our weaknesses—we accentuate our strengths and diminish our weaknesses. In a certain sense, this is not a bad thing; it is only human of us to do so. However, the difference is whether we are diminishing our weaknesses publicly while striving to deal with them, overcome and solve them, or whether we are simply hiding them while privately reveling in them. Consider how the Bible describes our weaknesses. What is your forbidden fruit? The weakness for Eve was that fruit: “And when [Eve] saw that the tree was good for food, and that it was pleasant to the eyes, and a tree to be desired to make one wise, she took of the fruit thereof, and did eat...” (Gen. 3:6). For her, it became a tremendous

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temptation.

What is your forbidden fruit? Is it cigarettes? Is it alcohol? Is it money? Is it cars? What is your forbidden fruit? Where is your Sodom and Gomorrah? When Lot and Abraham separated, Lot saw the well-watered plains of the Jordan River Valley and moved his family “in the cities of the plain, and pitched his tent toward Sodom” (Gen. 13:12). Yet, the very next verse states, “But the men of Sodom were wicked and sinners before the Lord exceedingly” (Gen. 13:13). Later, God told Abraham of what he would do to the cities of Sodom. Knowing that his nephew lived there, he pleaded with God to spare them if he could find ten righteous souls. Yet, it was to no avail. As Genesis 19 describes, Lot and his family fled from their home before God destroyed those wicked cities with fire and brimstone. By inspiration, Peter commented,

For if God...spared not the old world... and turning the cities of Sodom and Gomorrah into ashes, condemned them with an overthrow, making them an ensample unto those that after should live ungodly, and delivered just Lot, vexed

Privileged to Serve

Worship Coordinator: Terry McMasters

Announcements: Steve Crews

Before Service Greeters: Randy & Becky Hyder

After AM Services Greeters: David & Debbie Doherty, Luther & Betty Sheppard

Sunday AM

Songleader: Ron Thompson

Lord's Table

*William Dill, Robert Comer, Nacho Bram, Bobby Lewis

Opening Prayer: John Marchand

Closing Prayer: Roy Phillips

Sermon: Eddie Watkins

Sunday PM

Songleader: Jeff Fisher

Lord's Table: Steve Crews

Opening Prayer: Robert Comer

Closing Prayer: William Wood

Sermon: Eddie Watkins

Wednesday Night

Devotional: Jerry Cruise

Songleader: Scot Greer

Prayer: Eddie Watkins

Statistics for May 28, 2017

AM Worship **90**

PM Worship **71**

Midweek **60**

Total Contr. **\$2325**

News and Announcements

IMPORTANT! Men's meeting before Sunday night services next week, 4:30 PM June 11th. **IT IS REQUESTED THAT ALL THE MEN MAKE IT THEIR HIGHEST PRIORITY TO ATTEND!**

Fellowship Meal after this morning's services.

VBS has been set for July 17-21, 9AM each day. **Teachers please turn in your order forms by tonight!**

VBS meeting after services tonight.

Youth Night at Ozark church of Christ, June 11, 5PM.

Summer Lectureship, Hwy 13 church of Christ, June 8-11, 2017. See Bulletin Board.

Vacation Bible School, Fordland church of Christ, June 12-16 @ 6:15 nightly. See Bulletin Board

Fair Haven Children's Home Needs

From the May 2nd letter

Taco sauce juice spam vinegar jelly (no grape) baking soda soups freezer bags canola oil cream soups olive oil salad dressings pumpkin mic popcorn applesauce cereal manwich spices cake icing tomato sauce gravy mix cereal BBQ sauce crushed pineapple pop tarts spaghetti sauce canned chicken peanut butter canned salmon liquid fabric softener paper plates hand soap shout toothpaste deodorant toilet bowl cleaner cleaning supplies fabric sheets dishwashing liquid trash bags cascade disinfectant wipes

To be picked up June 20.

Prayer List

Wanda Crews is recovering at home after having hip replacement surgery.

Joanne Lawrence's nephew, **Micaiah Sedlacek** (17) has kidney failure and is on dialysis and is waiting on a kidney replacement.

Arthur Bodine has small cell lung cancer. He is scheduled for further tests and will see the doctor on June 8.

Bobby Lewis continues to have health problems.

Bruce Stover, Tiffany Sanders uncle, fell and fractured his pelvis in two places. He is home now.

Jamie Westcomb, Nicole's friend, has stage 4 kidney and liver cancer.

Tim McGregory a friend of Robert Comer has cancer

David Page will be undergoing treatment for prostate cancer.

Jan Sanders' niece **Blanca Baize**, has colon cancer.

Stephany Rogers, Dean Sitton's daughter has had a stroke.

Caroline Bright has health issues.

Connie Isis has a friend with cancer.

Donna Walker from Eldorado Springs church of Christ has stage 4 cancer.

JoAnne Lawrence is having hip replacement June 5th.

June Birthdays

Steve Crews 6/3
Helen Buman 6/5
Rick Bright 6/10
Dena Kanengieter 6/8
Justin Kanengieter 6/12
Dean Buman 6/16
Cathy Bright 6/18

Beverly Bram 6/19
Brock Henslee 6/22
Judy Phillips 6/23
Robert Comer 6/24
Miley Fisher 6/26
David Haffner 6/30

June Anniversaries

Rick & Cathy Bright 6/28
Scot & Diane Greer 6/29
John & Norma Nash 6/29

Beth Adams has resumed chemo.

Daniel Henslee and family, Steve & Michelle's son-in-law.

Jim Chittendon, friend of Ron and Cathy Thompson (member of the Lord's church) diagnosed with pancreatic cancer.

Robert Comer's step-dad **Ray** is having problems with his blood.

Tim Warden, Janet Haffner's brother has contracted leukemia.

Andy Novinger who is fighting Thyroid Cancer.

Magdalena Ospina — Has improved. Her leukemia is under control at this time.

Remember the home bound

- Paul and Ernestine Sandoz
- Estelline Jones
- Ina Gillette (Colonial Springs in Buffalo)
- Pat Lamb (Marshfield Care Center)
- Judy Barrow (Webco Manor)
- Bonnie Doherty (Webco East)
- Zoe Lawless of Conway (Webco)
- Rosalie Rosenberger (Thad Layne's sister) is in a nursing home in Jax, FL.