



Life Lines

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Searching For A Vessel

The Master was searching
for a vessel to use;
On the shelf there were many –
which one would He choose?
Take me, cried a gold one,
I'm shiny and bright.
I'm of great value
and do things just right.
My beauty and luster
will outshine the rest
And for someone like You, Master,
gold would be the best!

The Master passed on
with no word at all;
He looked at a silver urn,
narrow and tall;
I'll serve You, dear Master,
I'll pour out Your wine
And I'll be at Your table
whenever You dine,
My lines are so graceful,
my carvings so true,
And my silver will always
compliment You.

Unheeding the Master passed
on to the brass,
It was widemouthed and shallow,
and polished like glass.
Here! Here! cried the vessel,
I know I will do,
Place me on Your table
for all men to view.

Look at me, called the
goblet of crystal so clear,
My transparency shows
my contents so dear,
Though fragile I am,
I will serve You with pride,
And I'm sure I'll be happy
in Your house to abide.

The Master came next
to a vessel of wood,
Polished and carved,
it solidly stood.
You may use me, dear Master,
the wooden bowl said,
But I'd rather You use me for fruit,
not for bread!

Then the Master looked down
and saw a vessel of clay.
Empty and broken it helplessly lay.
No hope had the vessel
that the Master might choose,
To cleanse and make whole,
To fill and to use.

Ah! This is the vessel
I've been hoping to find,
I will mend and use it
and make it all Mine.
I need not the vessel
with pride of self;
Nor the one who is narrow
to set on the shelf;

Nor the one who is bigmouthed
and shallow and loud;
Nor one who displays
his contents so proud;
Nor the one who thinks
he can do all things just right.
But this plain earthy vessel
filled with My power and might.

Then gently He lifted
the vessel of clay.
Mended and cleansed it
and filled it that day.
Spoke to it kindly.
There's work you must do,
Just pour out to others
as I pour into you.

Author Unknown

*Sent in by Beverly Myers
Dover, Arkansas*

The Love of God is like an ocean, you
can see from where it comes, but you
can never see where it ends.

Angels exist, but sometimes they
don't have wings.
We call them friends!

Lines for Ladies

By Pat McAlister

Consider this: When Alexander Graham Bell invented the telephone in 1876, it did not ring off the hook with calls from potential backers. After making a demonstration call, President Rutherford Hayes said, "That's an amazing invention, but who would ever want to use one of them."

Jack Canfield

If only he could see us now! Especially in America; almost every house has a telephone. If it doesn't, just about every person has a cell phone attached to their ear, even while driving.

There have been so many changes since God created the earth with the first man and woman. Each generation behind us would be absolutely amazed at the changes that have been made. Some would even be frightened! The same could be said of our generation. We have no idea how things will be one hundred years from now. (That is, unless God decides to send Jesus to take us home.) We do have an idea of what heaven will be like. We find that in God's word.

Regardless of the changes that are made each several years, there is one thing that never changes. And that's God's love for us, and the plan He made for us in the beginning. His word and promises never change. His plan has been, from the first, for us to live our lives the fullest by worshipping Him. He wants us to share His love with others.

He found the right time, sending His Son to the earth, to be a propitiation for our sins. Our sacrifice, once and for all was Jesus Christ who set up His kingdom, the church, to be His people. This was the plan from the beginning. It has not changed. Salvation comes from Jesus Christ. *"Jesus Christ is the same yesterday, today, and forever."* (Hebrews 13:8 NKJV)

Welcome a New Arrival: Ethan Robert Henson arrived July 14th, weighing 7lb., 6.5 oz. Mother and baby doing fine.

Remember Our Sick

Judy Cox – no treatments, check-up good.

Mel Davis – continued treatments

Jaclyn Helton – ICU UAMS, Bacteria Spinal-Meningitis.

Iva Lay – diagnosed with leukemia..

Rose Lee – had knee surgery July 15th

Michael Tindall – soon to have skin-grafting on his feet.

Patsy Wisbrock – knee surgery June 30th, home recovering, doing better.

Shut-ins – need prayers and visits:

Dover Area: Evelyn Burton
Bob Lee

Russellville Nursing & Rehab Center:

Joyce Austin
Helen Brown
Alma Burris
Lorene McNutt

Stella Manor: Louise Killer
Janice Brashear

Others Who Need Our Prayers:

Carl/Yvonne Adkisson, Amie Barkley, Carolyn Bennett, Susie Boley, Shirly Chadwick, Robert/Vickie Cox, Troy/Rachel Curtis, Jeff Davis, Pauline Dale, Barbara Dawson, David/Mary Franke, Carol Graham, Sue Griffin, Mario Litch, Daniel Loper, Cindy Martin, Linda Melton, Julie Moss, Beverly Myers, Earl Stamps, Don/BJ Sheeran, Christine Sheeran, Gary/Dorene Shinn, Tanya Smith, Juanita Townsend, and Judy Will,

Special Children: Zeke Church, Garrett Hogan, Tiffany Knight, Cooper J. Lee, Elysia Lee, Keith Martin, Zachary Shelton and Noah Williams.

Our Military: prayers for D. J. Bandy, Jr., Byron Lee, April Morgan, Billy Joe Ralston and others serving our nation.

If all the people who fell asleep in church were laid end to end, they'd be more comfortable.

Pat Mac

Not Fairness Forgiveness

The manager noticed that his employees were under a great deal of stress. The usual laughing and joking had completely disappeared. Sullenness and short tempers had taken their place.

He quickly located the cause: two employees engaged in an ugly quarrel.

They were both good men and it would have been a shame to fire them. So the manager, determined to end the dispute, gave one man the job of washing the inside of the building's windows and the other man the outside.

There they were, face to face, but unwilling to exchange a word. The harder one worked to get ahead, the harder the other worked to keep up. It was quite a spectacle. Everyone stopped to watch - and laugh.

The two combatants finally noticed their childish behavior and were more than a little embarrassed. Sheepish grins crept over their faces and, at last, both joined in the laughter.

Who smiled first? I don't know, but I'm glad someone did.

You see, peace is not about fairness, it's about forgiveness. Why? Because the tangled web of human emotions, perceptions and words cannot be unraveled by human wisdom alone.

The command, then, is not to discover who is right but to discover what is lost.

Find the window of opportunity for peace and, oh yes, don't forget to smile; for love, and not hate, is God's will for man.

Keith Crain
The Proclaimer
Georgetown, Texas
(Home Touch)

Don't think you're on the right road just because it's a well-beaten path.

Author Unknown

Events

Dover Church of Christ Children's Church

Every Sunday
11:15 - 12:00 Noon
Ages 4 thru 8
Bible Story and
Activities
Ages 1 thru 3
Nursery Class

Birthday Party!!
Friday, July 30th
It's the BIG 50th
For Kim Miller
Fellowship Hall
Pot Luck 7 PM
No Gifts

Church Lawn Duty
Saturday, July 31st
Donny Forehand
Kevin Nordin

Dover Youth Devo
Sunday, August 1st
Following PM Services
Tommy/Carla/Holly
Oakes's Home

Dover Ladies Night
Thursday, August 19th
Hostess: Kaeli Miller,
6:30 PM

Mark Your Calendars

Dover Vacation Bible School

August 2nd thru 6th

Registration 5:30 PM
VBS 6:00 to 8:00 PM

Classes Four-years
Thru 6th Grade
Also Adult Classes

Theme: "Jungle
Journey-Exploring the
Nature
Of God"

For more info see:
The Dianes'

Swimming Party
Saturday, August 14th
Dover's Young Adult
Group
Luke & Janelle Miller's

Dover Men's Devo
Thursday, August 12th,
Host: Chris Moss, 7PM

Jumpstart Youth Rally
Neosho, Missouri
August 13th and 14th
Dover Youth see Lee
Henson for details.

August Birthdays

01 Jacob Boley
Connor Chance
02 AnnMarie Lawley
03 Frances Kennedy
Wes Walker
04 Carl Adkisson
05 Pauline Dale
06 Josh Pennington
10 Karen Womack
13 Blake Forehand
14 Russell Boley
Carolyn Clark
16 Noah Henson
19 Drew Walters
Creek Jackson
Tristan Stamps
21 Donny Forehand
Merrell Shoptaw
25 Corey Hottinger
Jana Parker
27 Shirlie Chadwick
Lee Henson
28 Steve Pennington
29 Troy Curtis
31 Charles Ensey
Dennis Whiteside

If we missed your birth-
day, *Please* let us know
so it won't happen again.

Dover Men Business
Meeting
Monday, Aug. 9th, 7PM
Dover Church of Christ

THOSE TO SERVE

August 01, 2010

Sunday A.M.

Announcer: Randall Walters
Song Leader: Merrell Shoptaw

Prayers

Gary Williams
Earl Whitted

Communion

Podium: Jim Killer
Serve: William Boley
Alan Boatright
Allen Veasman
Blake Walters

Scripture Reading

Earl Stamps

Sunday P.M.

Prayers

Earl Stamps
Donny Forehand

SPEAKER

Sunday A.M.

Micah Williams

Sunday P.M.

“Singing Night”

Prepare Table for Communion

Marion and Joyce Helton

Communion to Shut-Ins

Jim Killer

Greeters

The Elders

Wednesday Night

Devotional

August 4, 2010

Merrell Shoptaw

Meeting Times

Sunday Morning Bible Classes

9:45 A.M.

Sunday Morning Worship

10:45 A.M.

Sunday Evening Worship

6:00 P.M.

Ladies Tuesday Bible Class

10:00 A.M.

Wednesday Bible Classes

6:30 P.M.

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Jim Killer 331-2802
Allen Veasman 331-2156
Sid Womack 967-2367

Deacons:

Chris Besterfeldt
Donny Forehand
Brent Hottinger
Chris Loper
Rex McDaniel
Chris Moss

Nursery Attendants:

Sunday Church: Pat McAlister
Kaeli Miller

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