

SERVICE SCHEDULE for March 17, 2013

Announcements for the Week Jason LaChappelle

Morning Service **Evening Service**

Prayer- Mark Jones **Prayer-** Jay Dobbs

Song Leader- Andy Dobbs **Song Leader-** Matt Fuller

Communion:

-- **Comments** – Andy Fuller **Comments** – Mark Jones

-- **Assisting** – Marshall Foxworthy **Serving** – Phillip Dorn

-- **Assisting** – Mark Jones

-- **Assisting** – David Johnson

-- **Assisting** – Todd Hudson

Scripture – Darryl Griffing **Scripture** – Connor LaChappelle

Closing Prayer- Doug Davidson **Closing Prayer-** Jason LaChappel

Wednesday Night – March 20, 2013

First Prayer – Matt Fuller

Song Leader – Dan Buselmeier

Invitation – Darryl Griffing

Closing Prayer – Kevin Criswell

March 24 Sunday Night Lesson – Andy Dobbs

Upcoming Assignments:

March	Communion	Cleaning
24	Fuller	Davidson, Hudson, Stone, Denney
31	Johnson	Dobbs, Bailey, Fuller, LaChappelle

Notes:

The Ladies meet on the first and third Monday of the month. The next meeting will be tomorrow, March 18, at 7PM.

Gospel Meeting Recordings: Recordings of our Spring Gospel Meeting with Ben Hall are available on-line at www.covingtonchurchofchrist.com

If you prefer to have a hard copy on CD, then see one of our deacons and they will be happy to make an audio CD for you. We can even transfer the entire series in mp3 format to your listening device as well.

Keep thinking of ways you can increase your service to the Lord. It can start with asking Him when you wake up, "How can I server you in my life today?"

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Wonders of Elijah & Elisha

1. What happened to the children who made fun of Elisha's bald head?
2. For whom did Elijah supply meal and oil through miraculous means?
3. What did the bones of Elisha do to a dead man?
4. What did Elisha d to make an ax head float to the surface of the water?



Belief and Unbelief

By Edwin Crozier

Jesus brought His inner circle down from the Mount of Transfiguration. A crowd surrounded the remaining disciples and the scribes were arguing with them. A man had brought his demon-possessed son to see Jesus but could only find these disciples. He asked them to cast the demon out, but they were not able.

The man said to Jesus, *"If you can do anything, have compassion on us and help us"* (Mark 9:22-ESV). How different a statement this is from the leper in Mark 1:40: *"If you will, you can make me clean"* (ESV). The leper knew the issue was not one of ability, but of willingness. Was Jesus willing? He was willing to cleanse the leper.



Schedule of Services

Sunday: 9 a.m., 10 a.m. & 5 p.m. Wednesday: 7:30 p.m.

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But the man with the demon-possessed son needed to learn a lesson. Jesus responded, ***“If you can! All things are possible for one who believes” (Mark 9:23-ESV).*** Considering the man’s response, we might easily believe Jesus is saying, “I can do anything if you believe it enough.” That is not His point. Jesus is referring to His earlier statement about the disciples in ***Mark 9:19, “O faithless generation, how long am I to be with you?”*** Then notice how Jesus responded to the disciples when they asked why they failed. He did not say, “Because the man didn’t believe enough.” He said, ***“This kind cannot be driven out by anything but prayer” (Mark 9:29).*** The disciples had not relied on God. They had not believed enough.

Jesus point was He could do anything because He had faith. Nevertheless, the man realized a rebuke for him as well. He responded to Jesus, ***“I believe; help my unbelief” (Mark 9:24).*** This is what the entire book of Mark is about. It is written to people who believe in order to help them with their unbelief. Throughout the entire book of Mark, we can’t help but see over and over again the mistakes of the apostles. They believed, but they needed help with their unbelief.

Is that any different from us? I know it is no different from me. I believe, but I need help with my unbelief. I believe God is real, is good and is love, but sometimes I need help with my unbelief. I believe God has forgiven me and will deliver me from my sins, but sometimes I need help with my unbelief. I believe Jesus came to earth and died for my sins and the Spirit came and revealed the Bible, but sometimes I need help with my unbelief.

Just as with this man, God gives us strength when we seek it, acting based on our faith and not based on our doubts. When the man acted from his faith, Jesus gave him what he needed to grow. God will do the same for us. We sometimes cry out, “Lord I believe, help my unbelief.” In those times, we must act from our faith, not our doubts, and God will give us what we need to grow. God can and God will. Trust Him.

[Making The Devil’s Job Easy](#)

By David Maxson

But if you bite and devour one another, watch out that you are not consumed by one another.



We make the devil's job so easy sometimes. The devil is afraid when we are loving one another, forgiving each other, showing honor and esteem to our brothers and sisters, etc.

Here are a few things that make the devil happy:

When we stop communicating. "It's just easier if we just avoid each other," we reason to ourselves. We believe the lie that as long as we're not talking, we're not fighting, and so things are better that way. Jesus doesn't give us the luxury to do this (see Matthew 5:23-26, 47).

When we stop caring. The Bible teaches us to rejoice with those who rejoice and to weep with those who weep (Romans 12:15). What's the opposite of that? It's not merely a spirit of anger and revenge, but a spirit of indifference.

When we stop praying. If we're not bringing these spiritual battles to the throne of God (and conflicts at work, home, and church are a part of spiritual warfare), then we've already lost. Jesus said, ***“apart from me you can do nothing.” (John 15:5)***

Father, forgive us for our foolish pride and selfishness. Rebuke us and chasten us till we learn that we are not the center of the universe!



Answers from page 1

1. They were torn apart by two bears [2 Kings 2:23-25]
2. A widow and her son [1 Kings 17:13-16]
3. Brought him back to life [2 Kings 13:20-21]
4. He threw a stick into the water 2 Kings 6:4-7]

