



LET'S VISIT

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HOW DOES SUCCESS COME?

Someone has said, "A man who does a little more than he is asked to do, who takes a little more care than he is expected to, who puts the small details on an equal footing with the more important ones, is the man who is going to make a success of his job. Each little thing done better is the thin end of the wedge into something bigger." The principle of success is the same in all things. If we are able to transfer our training from one field to another we can become a success at many things. A man can be a success in business and a success in religion at the same time. Sadly, many people have never learned this lesson. To succeed in business, they often think they need to neglect religion. To succeed in religion they feel they are forced to neglect business.

Success does not come from complaining. Israel lost their right to the promised land largely because they were a complaining, murmuring, dissatisfied people. What was true of Israel is true of the Lord's people today. It is true in any work. If those who are doing the work are constantly complaining, you will usually find them complaining when they should be working. No organization can succeed with workers like that. When you find an organization going to pieces from within, when all outward advantages point to the possibility of success, you will usually find complaining prominently displayed throughout that organization. But if those connected with the organization are content with their lot, and working harmoniously toward the well being of the business, they are on a sure road to success. This is also true in our work for the Lord's church.

Success does not come from wishing and dreaming. There is nothing wrong with wishing, but it just does not get us any place. If our wishes and our dreams can be made real through our work, then they

are good. Otherwise they only serve to create unrest and dissatisfaction. If you want to be as successful as someone you know, don't spend your time wishing. Find out the real reason for their success and get down to business. Success is always a culmination, and never a surprise. Those who succeed have known where they were going all along. They planned it that way. They were not afraid to take care of the small matters that make bigger things.

Success does not come from criticizing. One of the greatest failures of human beings is that of criticizing the success of others, and trying to blame others for their failure. Yet, every person can see that is only "whistling in the dark" as we have always heard. It is an effort to cover failure in our own hearts by offering criticism of our fellowman. However, while we are doing this, the man who looks after small matters and works at his job, continues to climb, while we only develop a nasty disposition which actually only does us harm.

It is easy to see that these principles are true in business. But they are also true in religion. When a church is composed of people who are not ashamed or afraid of the smallest details, who will work where they are, and who are in earnest about the building up of the body of Christ, it will always succeed. If Christ be for us, who can be against us?

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In Search of the Lord's Way



Tune in to this Television Ministry
KSHV 45 - Shreveport - 7:30 a.m. Sunday
DISH channel 239 - 6:00 a.m. Sunday
DIRECT TV channel 307 - 6:00 a.m. Sunday

Gathered Here and There



At The Potter's House

For The Pantry. . .

November 16 – Ramen Noodles

Offering – November 9, 2025 . . \$ 1,816.00

The Lord's plan of giving ... "as ye have prospered"

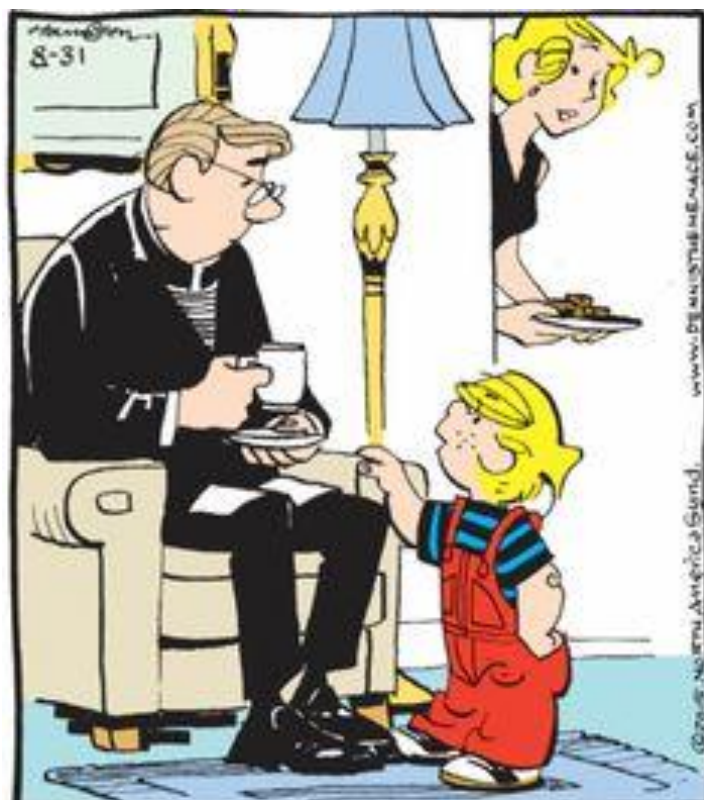
Blessed Is He. . .

Blessed is he who doth not say, Lo, what is the matter with the minister? Why doth he not fill the church so there is no more room? But who goeth out and saith to his friends, Come thou with me and I will do thee good and so will the minister. Truly that man understandeth that one personal work is better than a whole sermon. Blessed is the man who does not say, Let George do it, meaning the minister. Yea, verily he goes and does it himself. What doth it profit a woman to know where to find the society news and the sale ads and knoweth not whether Corinthians is a book or a new kind of soap, and she avails not to find the Sermon on the Mount. Whereunto shall I liken the family that readeth the daily papers diligently and the catalogues, and the sports magazines but never readeth a word of the Holy Writ, even though the Bible lies in a conspicuous place on the table? They are like unto men who would devour bread crumbs and cold beans, yea and the leavings of the garbage pail also, and pass up beefsteak and mashed potatoes. Or they are like unto the maiden who would throw away a box of precious jewels-emeralds and rubies and diamonds, and wear upon her breast by preference some gilded stuff

purchased at a street fair. The church member who prideth himself greatly when the lodge or the Red Cross or the Commercial Club, asketh him to take an office but who, when there is a job for him in the church whereby he may save his immortal soul and the souls of others, wearily saith, truly church work is an intolerable burden, and there are so many other things I have to do, verily I must pass it up. This is the end of the matter, all hath been said. Fear God, and keep his commandments. Rejoice greatly in the work of the church. Be faithful in the small things that are committed unto you and greater things shall be your joy and your portion. Make not vain excuses, but get on the job and stay there.

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On The Lighter Side. . .



***So, preacher, you just work on
Sundays and the other six days just
"hang out"?***

***Don't put off until tomorrow what you can do
today, tomorrow there may be a government
regulation against it.***



No Excuse Sunday December 7, 2025

Make Your Plans To Be Here
Sunday, December 7, 2025
Our Annual
“NO EXCUSE SUNDAY”

Put this date on your calendar, make sure you plan to be here, invite your friends and neighbors to come and worship with us and stay for our covered dish luncheon. We will celebrate birthdays and anniversaries for the months of December, January and February and enjoy a great time of fellowship together.

Hospitality group 1 is in charge of the luncheon that day. The members of that group are Marsha Bounds, LaResa Livingston, Betty Miller, Lisa Miller and Melonia Molloy.

Communion Preparation - November
Manny & Brittany Ortiz

UPCOMING DATES TO REMEMBER!



Save this Date. . .
December 21, 2025



OUR “CHURCH FAMILY”

Cissy Amos, LaJuan Baugh, Gene Bradshaw,
Martha Bradshaw, Martha Jean Golden,
Alice Hall, Thelma Hinton, LaResa Livingston, Mike Lout,
Debra Pate, Jerry Pate, Betty Willis

“EXTENDED FAMILY” AND FRIENDS

Tami Abernathy (friend of Isaiah & Amanda Molloy hospitalized) **Leslie Adams** (friend of Diedra Hughes) being treated for brain cancer; **Stanley Amos** (Cissy Amos' husband) **Krista Andrus** (Tim and Norma Perkins niece) **Richard Barbee** (Gene Bradshaw's nephew) **Peggy Baylor** (Tim Bradshaw's mother) **David Bissett** (Mike O'Brien's brother in law- cancer) **Dwayne Brister** (Cissy Amos' cousin) **Debra Clifton** (friend of LaResa Livingston) **Coleen Dickerson** (friend of Cissy Amos with leukemia) **Hugh and Pat Fletcher** (Sarah Fletcher's brother and sister-in-law dealing with multiple health issues) **Joyce Fontenot** (Debra Pate's mother) **Dot Grant** (Friend of Debra Pate) **Suzi Hogan** (Mike Bostick's sister-in-law) **Ted Holt** (former member of this congregation) **Debbie Lynn** (Abbey Perkins' mother dealing with memory issues) **Albert Magby** (Melonie Bradshaw's father) **Norma Magby** (Melonie Bradshaw's mother) **Karen McCormick** (friend of Sarah Fletcher) **Calvin Smith** (Debra Pate's uncle); **Heather Simmons Stewart** (Friend of Cissy Amos) cancer; **J. C. Tate & Pat Tate** (Jana O'Brien's father and mother) **Max Windham** (Friend of LaResa Livingston) additional cancer treatments.

THOSE IN THE MILITARY AND FOREIGN SERVICE

Cole Barbee, Adam Bradshaw, Michele Bradshaw,
Rosie Tate and Lucas Tate

IMPORTANT DATES FOR 2026

**Reserve these dates for important events
in the life of our Church for 2026**

March 1, 2026 – “Pack-A-Pew Sunday”
April 24, 2026 – Area Wide Singing & Fellowship
June 7, 2026 – “Friends and Family Day”
September 13, 2026 – “Back To Church Sunday”
December 6, 2026 – “No Excuse Sunday”
December 20, 2026 – Annual Christmas Party



Across The Preacher's Desk

Most of us have our bad days. On those days, our every act, our every thought, our every spoken sentence seems to have a “but”, a “can’t” a “don’t”, or such like. On those days, we are at our worst. We fret about our health and our circumstances and we pity ourselves to the very verge of tears.

But what do we get out of it? Well, we get misery and worry. By compounding every problem and considering every obstacle, we make matters worse than they are.

So, why do we beat ourselves up when we get “down in the dumps”? Because we momentarily lose our perspective. We magnify things out of proportion so that they overwhelm us and upset us. Yet, we can quickly get rid of negative thoughts. We must switch our will power to the positive current. Once we do, we will notice an improvement almost immediately.

One by one, count your blessings in health, wealth, home, family and other areas of life. Think about all the things that are right in your life instead of all those things that are wrong. It is just as easy to be constructive and positive as it is to be destructive and negative.

So the next time you are “down in the dumps” and having a bad day, do something about it! Take a walk, chat with a neighbor or undertake a worthwhile project. Before you know it, the weight of the world will be lifted from your shoulders.

it's something to think about.....tlp

**The Lord's Plan
For Evangelism –
Each one Bring one!
55 in '25!**