

Fair Grove Church of Christ

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Our next Song Night will be Wednesday June 28, 2023.

Please join us for an evening of song and prayer!

Article

Where Do You Set Your Mind? - Isaac Helterbrand

Anyone can choose what they spend their time thinking about. It is the right of every person to do so. However, that choice has huge consequences, and it is a bigger responsibility than many people would imagine it to be. In recent history I would guess that the internet has stolen away the minds of many people when they could be working on something else productive. Tik Tok, Facebook Reels, Instagram, etc. They all have the potential to distract the mind and convince ordinarily productive people, ordinarily spiritual people, to waste their potential viewing useless content. It is not limited to social media, the sports industry, the alcohol industry, nicotine and tobacco companies, all of them want you to spend your time thinking about them. The reality is, Satan wants us to spend our time thinking about anything other than the Lord and His word and he will use those worldly distractions to bring our minds lower than where they should be.

Paul wrote in Colossians 3:1-2, “If then you were raised with Christ, seek those things which are above, where Christ is, sitting at the right hand of God. Set your mind on things above, not on things on the earth.”

The things that pull our minds back toward the world are breeding grounds for lust, covetousness, envy, strife, among many other thoughts and actions that bring sin into our lives. It is exceedingly easy for us to find ways to enjoy the things that give us opportunity to forget God, even if it is for a short period of time. Unfortunately, this has always been a problem and always will be. Hence, Paul’s encouragement to the Philippians,

“Finally, brethren, whatever things are true, whatever things are noble, whatever things are just, whatever things are pure, whatever things are lovely, whatever things are of good report, if there is any virtue and if there is anything praiseworthy—meditate on these things.”

We must train our minds to love noble, pure, just, and lovely things. That is part of how we work to align our will with God’s will. There are several ways to work on it. Spend time with people who bring you closer to God. Study the Bible more often and learn to appreciate the information in it. Find resources like sermon recordings to listen to, articles to read, and books with scriptural content and saturate your mind with thoughts of God. Pray often and fervently. Organize your schedule around God instead of the other way around. This is just a short list of things we can do to spend more time meditating on God’s things, on heavenly things. It is absolutely essential that we transform our minds in this way because God expects us to cast off our “old man” and be renewed to be more like Him.

“...that you put off, concerning your former conduct, the old man which grows corrupt according to the deceitful lusts, and be renewed in the spirit of your mind, and that you put on the new man which was created according to God, in true righteousness and holiness.” (Ephesians 4:22-24)

About Us

We are a church that seeks to honor and glorify God by obedience to His word. We believe the Bible to be the inspired and infallible word of God (2 Timothy 3:16-17) and only through following the Bible alone can we faithfully serve and worship Him. Please come visit to join us in learning about God's will and worshipping Him in spirit and in truth (John 4:23).

Invitation

The culture at Fair Grove Church of Christ is one of learning, growth, and love. Each of us wants to go to heaven and we are all willing to help each other out along the way. We study the Bible together to learn how to live and how to worship. We hold each other accountable in a kind and compassionate way. The most wonderful quality about this group of Christians is that they exemplify what it means to be God's family. We sincerely hope you will come and be our guest, and eventually join God's family here at Fair Grove Church of Christ!

Visit our website!
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Meeting Times

Sunday

- **10:00AM Bible Study**
- **11:00AM Worship Service**

Wednesday

- **7:00PM Bible Study**

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