



By Joshua Fowler

Love God. Love your neighbor. On the surface, it is a simple summary of the commands of God. It is a pairing of sentences we have heard so frequently that they almost roll from our lips without much thought about implications. Lost in the simplicity of this summarization is the depth of impact that comes along with loving God and loving our neighbors. Jesus has already silenced the Sadducees and the Herodians. He now finds himself squaring off against the Pharisees. No teacher or rabbi worth his salt could possibly choose just one law to keep. Choosing one would mean abandoning the rest of the commands of God. They didn't think it was possible to reduce the Law of Moses to one most important command. But Jesus is no ordinary teacher. He is a rabbi unlike any rabbi they have ever come across. He is Messiah, and he answers their question with a reply that leaves wonder and amazement. Love God. And love your neighbor. It is both as simple and as complex as that. A void the tendency to move toward extremes. These two commands are inseparable.

	<p><b>YOUVERSION LIVE</b> - If you use the YouVersion Bible app, check out our live events. Select [Events] from the menu. If it doesn't show up automatically (using your location), you can search manually for Goodwood Church.</p>
<p><b>Schedule of Services</b> <u>Sunday Morning</u> Bible Study – 9:00 AM Worship – 10:00 AM <u>Sunday Evening</u> Worship – 5:30 PM <u>Wednesday Evening</u> Bible Study – 6:30 PM</p>	<p><i>It is the Lord's desire that we love one another. In the spirit of love and friendship, we welcome all who have come to worship. May we all be blessed as we praise God. Thank you for being our guest at the Goodwood Boulevard church of Christ.</i></p>

## Order of Worship

**AM**  
**Welcome**  
419 – Lord We Come Before Thee Now  
238 – Holy, Holy, Holy  
**Prayer**  
**Matthew 22:34-40**  
226 – How Great Thou Art  
**Communion**  
244 Hold to God's Unchanging Hand  
**Jesus vs the Pharisees;**  
**Greatest Command**  
50 – Are You Washed in the Blood  
111 – Come We That Love the Lord  
**Prayer**  
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**PM**  
**Welcome**  
220 – He Lives!  
421 – Love Lifted Me  
**Prayer**  
**Lamentations 2:17-19**  
402 - Living for Jesus  
523 - Our God, He is Alive  
**Collapse; Mercy**  
107 – Come Unto Me  
805 – I Come to the Garden Alone  
**Prayer**



PLEASE PUT YOUR PHONES ON  
**SILENT**

### UPCOMING EVENTS

4/2 ----- Youth Devo  
4/4 ----- Young at Heart Lunch  
4/9 ----- Meal & Easter Egg Hunt

Visit our website for a complete list of upcoming events and information

[www.goodoodchurch.org](http://www.goodoodchurch.org)

## Give Us This Day Our Daily Bread (Part 1)

*Continued next week*

Should we ask God for everything we want? I'll always remember how excited I was when my mom would bring home the Sears Wish Book. When it arrived, I knew that Christmas was just around the corner. I would immediately begin pouring over the pages of its toy section...always in the back half of the catalog. I would search out each toy, noticing every detail, right down to the capital letter beside each picture that directed me to the written information about why that toy was so grand. The price was listed at the end of the description for each toy. But I really didn't pay that much attention to the price. After all, Santa could get anything. Price was of no consequence. Without fail, I would find that one item, my "Red Rider," and I would begin the process of making my request known.

Do we ever treat prayer like the Sears Wish Book? It is certainly easy to do. But should we? The Bible says, "If we ask anything according to his will, he hears us" (1 John 5:14). So ask anything? Well, it would seem the import of this verse is the will of God. That which we ask, as long as it is in accordance with God's will, he hears us. God does not always give us that for which we ask. And we ought to be humble enough to submit to his will; as Jesus said, "Not my will, but yours be done." What would we do to our children if we gave them everything they asked for?

Jesus, teaching his disciples to pray, prayed, "Give us this day our daily bread" (Matthew 6:11). This is the only part of this prayer that mentions personal requests for material blessings. That reality makes it important to search out the implications of the verse. There is another passage to consider: Proverbs 30:7-9 says, "Two things I ask of you; deny them not to me before I die: Remove far from me falsehood and lying; give me neither poverty nor riches; feed me with the food that is needful for me, lest I be full and deny you and say, 'Who is the Lord?' or lest I be poor and steal and profane the name of my God." This passage says don't ask for poverty. This passage says don't ask for riches. This passage says ask for your daily bread. I think we must let this Proverbs passage set the parameters and meaning of this verse in Matthew 6.

It is not difficult to see there are perils of prosperity. Moses warned the Israelites about possessing the Promised Land. "And when the Lord your God brings you into the land that he swore to your fathers, to Abraham, to Isaac, and to Jacob, to give you – with great and good cities that you did not build, and houses full of all good things that you did not fill, and cisterns that you did not dig, and vineyards and olive trees that you did not plant – and when you eat and are full, then take care lest you forget the Lord, who brought you out of the land of Egypt, out of the house of slavery" (Deuteronomy 6:10-12). It is at the moment of blessing that we become spiritually vulnerable. Comfortable people tend to become self-reliant and self-absorbed resulting in a loss of memory regarding from where their blessings came. In the late sixteenth century, John Wesley (1703-1791) wrote, "I do not see how it is possible, in the nature of things, for any revival of religion to continue long. For religion must necessarily produce both industry and frugality, and these cannot but produce riches. But as riches increase, so will pride, anger, and love of the world in all its branches." It's so easy to forget that it is God who gives us all things. We begin to rest in our own strength, in our own accomplishments. And if we are not careful, we will begin to trust in our prosperity.

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**A PRAYER AND STUDY GUIDE FOR THE WEEK OF APRIL 02**

**NEW REQUESTS TODAY**

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**MONDAY**

**Psalm 63**

**Recent Requests**

- \***Amy Alexander** is taking oral comps on Monday.
- \***Niles Bartholomew** needs our prayers at this time.
- \***Dot Dudley** has been placed under hospice care.
- \***Sheila Dupuy** has been diagnosed with kidney disease.
- \***Wilma Henderson** has been placed under hospice care at home.
- \***Lisa Leblanc** is having health issues.
- \***Paige Phillips** requests prayers for spiritual & physical strength.

**TUESDAY**

**Psalm 84**

**Those experiencing loss, in need of encouragement, our shut-ins**

- \***Barbara Cavalier** is seeking new employment.
- \*Our families and friends who were affected by the flood.
- \*Our shut-ins: Ila Adams, Nelle Hagius, Mattie Hanks, Hazel Hayden, Derlyne Kent, Padgie McFatter, Alice Reece, JoAnn Strother

**WEDNESDAY**

**Psalm 85**

**Those with serious/ongoing health issues**

- \*Liz Bates, Rose & Adam Butler, Don & Lois Clark, Betsy Hall, Bob Harris, Wilma Henderson, Mike McClure, Cherry McCullough, Lisa Pickett, Jerry Sistrunk, Jay Strother, Pam Turney, Faith Vallery, Shirley Young

**THURSDAY**

**Psalm 86**

**Our Other Friends and Family**

- \*Bill Bain, Niles Bartholomew, Brad Bell, Tommie Bell, Merle Burkes, Lea Ann Cavalier, Beulah Cooper, Cliff Cutrer, Kay Doiron, Dot Dudley, Keven Dupuy, Betty Epperson, Christie Estave, Harlan Gilbert, Grace Gray, Pat Hale, Karen Hanks, Mike Jenkins, Steve Juneau, Jerry Kimbrough, Candy Lackie, Ronnie Lorio, Jr, Mack & Bettie Lovering, Dustin Montana, John & Carolyn Perkins, Bryan Austin Plunket, George Plunket, Mary Rhodus, Tim & Alys Richardson, Richard Shelley, Doug Statham, Bradley Travis

**FRIDAY**

**Psalm 90**

**Our Partners in the Gospel**

- \*Santiago Bonilla
- \*Candido Huete

**Those in Dangerous Situations Serving Country & Community**

- \*David Ecuyer, Anthony Groger, Toby Hebert, William Hill, Jonathan Lewenthal, Alex Null, Howard Stroud

**SATURDAY:**

**Psalm 91**

- \*Parents and students in schools
- \*City, State and National elected leaders



Dear Goodwood Family,  
As many of you already know I am “retiring” from my position as church secretary beginning next week! I was actually born into this church family in 1958 (I can show you the church bulletin that included my birth announcement!). I love this congregation and will continue to serve in any way I can. Thank you so much for your support and kind words while I have been in the office. Tara Hitt will be our new secretary along with Heather Fowler who has been working with me since January. They are wonderful!! Please keep us in your prayers during this transition. Much love to all of you, Peggy M.



If you are 55ish or older, please join us for our next luncheon on **Tuesday, April 4th**, starting at 11:30 a.m. in the BOB. We will have some Easter fun, good food, and fellowship! Hope to see you there!



**Fellowship Meal and Easter Egg Hunt**

Plans are underway for a Fellowship meal and Easter egg hunt after morning services on **Sunday, April 9th**. Anyone participating or those who want to stay and watch the egg hunt are invited to stay and join us for a BBQ lunch. The Easter egg hunt is for kids ages 1 year – 4 years and K – 5th Grade.

Please bring 10 prefilled eggs for each child participating to the BOB kitchen prior to the luncheon. There is a sign-up form online under ministries/community outreach. Please sign up so we can have an idea of how many will be participating for each group and how many to plan lunch for. We will have evening services as usual. Invite a friend and or family member to join us! Flyers are available in the foyer.

**Calling All Graduates!**

If you are graduating this May or during the summer, please provide your school information and a picture to the office. Thanks!!

If you have any special needs (including sermon CD/DVD requests), please fill out one of the cards located on the back of the pew with the necessary information and pass it to the inner aisle for pick-up.

**How Are We Doing?**

*March 26, 2017*

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| Sunday AM Bible Class..... | 95      |
| Sunday AM Attendance.....  | 159     |
| AM Average for Year.....   | 148     |
| Sunday Contribution.....   | \$4,883 |
| Average for Year.....      | \$5,165 |

**Elders:** Clayton Goodrum, Tom Kelso, Jim Lackie, Tommy Phillips **Deacons:** David Andrews, Todd Bell, Bobby Chelette, Jack James, Pat McGibboney, Bert Ruckstuhl, Mitchell Smith, Joshua Young **Ministers:** Joshua Fowler, Jay Plunket **Secretary:** Heather Fowler, Peggy Moragne