Chad Futrell Song Leader:

Opening Prayer: John Williams

Lord's Table:

Scot Parchman Presidina:

Steve Pool Assisting: **DustinPool** 

Byran Hatcher Sermon:

Closing Prayer: Brynn Hatcher

Evening Worship

Song Leader: N/A

Opening Prayer: N/A

Sermon: N/A

Lord's Supper: N/A

Closing Prayer: N/A

Those serving Wednesday

Song Leader: N/A

Scripture: N/A

N/A Reading:

Invitation: N/A

> **Pantry Item Tissues**

# Sermon Notes Profit of the Birthright

Priorities

Regret

111. Choice

February 21, 2021

#### Welcome!

Cape Fear Church of Christ

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Service Times Sunday: B.C. 9:00am Worship 10:00am Evening 5:00pm

Wednesday Night: B. C. 7:00pm

Ladies' Class: Tuesdays10:00am

Elders Scot Parchman Wade Hedgepeth Byran Hatcher

Deacons Steve Pool John Williams

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# The Cape Fear Crier

"Cry aloud and shout...for great in the midst of thee is the Holy One of Israel." Isaiah 12:6

#### Fear of the Good

Sounds strange does it not? Fear of the good? How can this be? People are generally afraid of their vices such as their temper, alcohol consumption, overeating, smoking, gambling, lying, etc. But make no mistake about it, people are just as afraid of their talents, and the talents of others, even though it is seldom expressed in such a manner. Recall that the "one talent man" hid his talent in the earth when the master was gone. Many talented individuals reject promotions, responsibilities, leadership, and recognition. Many who could be great in life and in the church simply refuse to develop their talents and choose instead to sit in the bleachers. These are ones that are afraid of their strengths and what comes with the developing of them.

Often we are afraid of those who are able to think for themselves. Many like a Bible class of familiar comments with no challenge or disagreement. Do not mistake the disruptive and contentious for those that think though! Thinking must be encouraged. Is one who expresses an opinion or able to add another perspective shunned or encouraged?

Some are afraid of those with money. Yes, the Bible is quite plain about the love of money being the root of all manner of evil. Please consider that one can still have a love of money

and not have a penny to his name! Those with material blessings should neither be dismissed nor exalted. They certainly should not be shamed. If we were to do that then we would also have to belittle Job, Abraham, Isaac, Jacob, David, Solomon, Joseph of Arimathaea and Barnabas, etc.

Some are afraid of those that act. Men who constantly press for decisions, changes (good ones mind you), and good works are considered dangerous by so many. These people get others "out of their comfort zones." They must not be tolerated. They must be made to sit down and be quiet because they insist on rocking the boat, upsetting the apple cart!

Some are afraid of our young people. Young people are allowed to do so little too often. They are not given responsibilities they can handle and opportunities to grow spiritually as our Lord did. Instead many take them to amusement parks and other places of fun and then wonder where the young people went after it is all said and done!

Some are afraid of the exceptional. Those who have real character and integrity are not to be trusted. Those who are kind and gentle in the face of adversity, even from their own brethren, should be run down at every turn. Those who, by reason of experience, are wise and patient should be ignored and taken advantage of.

Yes, people are afraid of the sin that easily sidetracks them, but too often they are just as likely to be afraid of their own strengths or the virtue of others. We must examine ourselves daily to ensure we are growing in the faith and causing others to grow - even if they pass us!

-BTH

# **By the Numbers**

Attendance 2/14/21 Bible Class: 26 Contribution: N/A

A.M. Worship: 40 DB Readers: N/A P.M. Worship: N/A Chapters Read: N/A

## **Family News and Notes**

Claudia Farrington is having a difficult time right now. Frances Salaz is going through chemo. Vicky Carver's son, Joe, needs our prayers right now. The Oliver family Has moved to El Paso, Texas. Venson has been reassigned to Fort Bliss. We wish them well. Keep Trevor Moore in your prayers in his training in Va. He should be back by April. He is doing very well in his training! We have been blessed thus far that none of our members have had serious complications with Corona Virus, though we have all been affected negatively. We do want to pray for those family members that have lost loved ones this past year. Active military: Pray for our active duty military members; they could be called to a conflict area at a moment's notice. Remember to pray for their families as well.

Also remember: Margaret Langston, Vicky Carver, Alex Freshley, Lettie Gray, Frances Salaz, Tylia Landrum, Gwen Jennen, John and Linda Williams, the Pollard family, Claudia Farrington, Rick Caldwell, Margaret Eads, and Thelma Adams. Please pray for those in Bible Studies, teachers and students!

# **Bible Reading Plan**

Feb 21	Feb 22	Feb 23	Feb 24	Feb 25	Feb 26	Feb 27
Rom 4-6	Rom 7-9	Ro 10-12	Ro 13-16	1 Cor 1-4	1 Cor 5-8	1 Cor 9-12
Ps 52	Ps 53	Ps 54	Ps 55	Ps 56	Ps 57	Ps 58

### **Events**

Ladies Bible Class: Meeting again at 10am

Monday Reminder: Every Monday morning at 8am on Facebook/YouTube

Wednesday Devotional Message: Wednesday evening at 6pm on Facebook/YouTube