

For Our Information

John LaValla is waiting for an appointment for a biopsy. Once this is done he should be able to get treatments scheduled.

Adene Gray was feeling some better near the end of the week.

Joyce Venable has been suffering with flu-like symptoms.

Continue to remember those in our extended families who are undergoing treatments and dealing with long term illness.

[Keep our brothers & sisters in mind](#)

We seek only to serve God according to His Will!

leaks" (Ecclesiastes 10:18). And however sad it may be to observe a house that has fallen into ruin, it is even sadder to see a human life that has caved in because of neglect.

Is it any wonder that we don't find our spiritual lives more richly rewarding than we do? When we fail to act on our knowledge, there is little that we can experience except the flat, dull taste of "what might have been." Dorothy Kerin was exactly right when she said, "Obedience is the key that unlocks the door to every profound spiritual experience." Nominal Christianity has proliferated in the modern era. Many are those who wear Christ's name. But to all who have "accepted" Christ, Paul's words are a sobering reminder concerning real discipleship: *"As you have therefore received Christ Jesus the Lord, so walk in Him"* (Colossians 2:6).

"What we think of, what we know, or what we believe is, in the end, of little consequence. The only thing of consequence is what we do" (John Ruskin).

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We want opportunities to speak with others about our work in the Lord's Kingdom.

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What Do You Hear?

A Native American and his friend were in downtown New York City, walking near Times Sq. in Manhattan. It was during the noon lunch hour and the streets were filled with people. Cars were honking their horns, taxicabs were squealing around corners, sirens were wailing, and the sounds of the city were almost deafening. Suddenly, the Native American said, "I hear a cricket." His friend said, "What? You must be crazy. You couldn't possibly hear a cricket in all of this noise! "No, I'm sure of it," the Native American said, "I heard a cricket." "That's crazy," said the friend. The Native American listened carefully for a moment, and then walked across the street to a big



And He was saying, "He who has ears to hear, let him hear." Mark 4:9



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cement planter where some shrubs were growing. He looked into the bushes, beneath the branches, and sure enough, he located a small cricket. His friend was utterly amazed. "That's incredible," said his friend. "You must have super-human ears!" "No," said the Native American. "My ears are no different from yours. It all depends on what you're listening for." "But that can't be!" said the friend. "I could never hear a cricket in this noise." "Yes, it's true," came the reply. "It depends on what is really important to you. Here, let me show you." He reached into his pocket, pulled out a few coins, and discreetly dropped them on the sidewalk. And then, with the noise of the crowded street still blaring in their ears, they noticed every head within twenty feet turn and look to see if the money that tinkled on the pavement was theirs. "See what I mean?" asked the Native American. "It all depends on what's important to you."

What's important to you? What do you listen for? Are there times that you fail to listen to God or see what God is doing in your life because you are focused on other things that are more important to you? - Alan Smith

Jesus said, For the heart of this people has become dull, With their ears they scarcely hear, And they have closed their eyes, Otherwise they would see with their eyes, Hear with their ears, And understand with their heart and return, And I would heal them.' 16 But blessed are your eyes, because they see; and your ears, because they hear. (Matthew 13:15-16)

Something to think about! Have a great day!

~ DJ Dickerson

Store In My Heart

Hebrews 13:8

Jesus Christ is the same yesterday and today and forever.

Many today seem to think Jesus will judge them differently than those who were alive during the first century. They claim that since society has changed and the attitudes of so many are not what they were in past years, Jesus does not expect us to hold strictly to what He delivered 2000 years ago.

They are mistaken and it will cost them eternity. Society today is not substantially different than it was in the days of the Apostles. As this verse declares, Jesus does not change with the times. He and His Word are the same today as when the Jews of Pentecost heard them. God does not change. We must change to meet God.

Heedless Hearing

Gary Henry

"Not everyone who says to Me, 'Lord, Lord,' shall enter the kingdom of heaven, but he who does the will of My Father in heaven" (Matthew 7:21).

Whatever we know of God's word, we must carry out that knowledge in our actual deeds. This may sound like little more than a cliché, but the fact is that virtually every one of us needs this reminder every single day. Because copies of the Scriptures are easily available and the media of communication have become so efficient, most of us know far more about the contents of the Scriptures than many of our most studious ancestors. But what is the result? If we "hear" what God has said but do nothing about it, our superior knowledge will be of little profit in the long run. *"Not everyone who says to Me, 'Lord, Lord,' shall enter the kingdom of heaven,"* Jesus said, *"but he who does the will of My Father in heaven."* We must not be heedless hearers.

If our response to God's truth is not as prompt as it should be, it will hardly help to say that we've merely been "neglectful." The problem of neglect happens to be one of the worst problems in the world. While it may seem relatively harmless in comparison to some vices, neglect is responsible for some of the most awful suffering in the human race. The damage that is done by simply failing to act may grow so slowly that we don't see it increasing, but in the end, the cumulative effect is devastating. Solomon said, *"Because of laziness the building decays, and through idleness of hands the house*