

Be imitators of me, just as I also am of Christ.

1Corinthians 11:1

Store In My Heart

Jeremiah 1:1-3

The words of Jeremiah the son of Hilkiah, of the priests who were in Anathoth in the land of Benjamin, to whom the word of the Lord came in the days of Josiah the son of Amon, king of Judah, in the thirteenth year of his reign. It came also in the days of Jehoiakim the son of Josiah, king of Judah, until the end of the eleventh year of Zedekiah the son of Josiah, king of Judah, until the exile of Jerusalem in the fifth month.

Jeremiah prophesied after Isaiah during the time that Judah was the remnant of Israel. He warned of the coming captivity for these Jews because of their wickedness. He was badly treated by those he sought to return to God. Few would listen to him.

The persistence of Jeremiah in proclaiming the word of God is an example to remember and follow. We must stay the course no matter the cost.



Mark These People

Bill Hall

Quickly now—What type of people are to be marked by Christians according to the scriptures? Those who cause divisions and offenses contrary to Christ's doctrine? Yes, for so we are taught in **Romans 16:17**.

There is another type of person to be marked, however. *"Brethren, be followers together of me, and mark them which walk so as ye have us for an ensample"* (**Philippians 3:17** KJV). The word "mark" is not synonymous with the word "withdraw." According to W.E. Vine the word means "to look at, behold, watch, contemplate." Those who are evil, then, are to be **marked** and **avoided**; while those who walk in God's way are to be **marked** and **followed**.

Godly elders should be marked. Elders are to be examples to the flock (**1Peter 5:3**). They are to be men whose character is above reproach, who rule their own house well, who are hospitable, and whose sound teaching can convict the gainsayers. We know such elders, and their example is priceless. Even after such men have passed on, they are to be remembered: *"Remember those who rule over you, who have spoken the word of God to you, whose faith follow* (a similar word to mark—BH), *considering the outcome of their conduct"* (**Hebrews 13:7**). Thank God for godly elders; mark them and follow their good example!

Godly women should be marked. If there are women in the congregation who stand out for their piety and humility,

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whose major attractiveness is their "meek and quiet spirit," who have adorned themselves with good works, who love their husband and children, who find joy and contentment in being a wife and mother and keeper at home, who feel no resentment toward their position of subjection to man, who have devoted their lives to doing God's will—**and there are such women in every congregation**—then mark these godly women and follow their example. In these days when the women's liberation movement is affecting so many and actually intimidating many women who want to do right, it is wonderful to have godly women in the church who are able to lead the way and provide a role model for other women who are Christians. Thank God for godly women; mark them and follow their good example!

For Our Information

Jimmy Gray has knee replacement surgery scheduled in October.

Joyce Venable was a little better last week.

Adene Gray has not received results from recent tests yet.

JoBeth Henderson and Paula Laubach were both released by their doctors.

Brenda received neck shots last week.

Tonight we start in 1Samuel 15:24.

Wednesday at 7 pm in Galatians 3.

Pray for safety, courage & healing.

Godly preachers should be marked. Not all preachers are godly, but most of the gospel preachers of our acquaintance are godly men whose lives speak as effectively as do their lips. They do their work, not as hirelings, but as men concerned for truth and the souls of men and women. Mark such men and follow their example!

Godly parents, godly young people, godly older people, godly suffering people, godly dying people—the godly faithful! How sad that some are so blinded by the faults of the few that they cannot see the virtues of the many.

Good people are all around us. Let's look for them, contemplate their good qualities, mark them, and follow their example.

(This is one of many articles by Brother Bill Hall that I have read during the last week or so. They are in a book published several years ago titled, "Two Men", filled with practical lessons to help us in our walk with God and relationships with one another. Many sound men of faith have written to help men and women remain faithful to the Lord. Many such books are available as ebooks. In addition to these books most of the religious papers published over the last 50 years or more can be found online.

While we must be careful to compare to God's Word, these can be of great benefit in training our minds to serve faithfully. DLH)



We seek only to serve God according to His Will!