

# Tuskawilla Church of Christ

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## Bulletin Board January 10, 2016

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Sunday: 9:30 AM Bible Class

10:30 AM Worship

Wednesday: 7 PM Bible Class

**Welcome to our Visitors.** You are our honored guests. Please fill out a visitor's card and let us know if you have any questions about our congregation.

**Bro. David West** is our guest speaker today.

**Sermon Title:** If You are the Son of God

**Scripture Reading:** Luke 4:1-13

### Serving Today

**Song Leader:** Jimmy Wilson

**Opening Prayer:** Ken Lathrop

**Scripture Reading:** Austin Bruce

**Communion:**

- Lead: Jerry Sirmans
- Assisting: Ben Blaylock
- Side: Gary Miller
- Side: Tom Lester

**Closing Prayer:** Roger Weaver

**Usher:** Ken Lathrop

### Today's Song Service

- 384
- 367
- 149 (Communion)
- 115 (Sermon)
- 344 (Invitation)

### Announcements

- **The 2016 communion preparation and trash removal schedule** is posted on the bulletin board in the foyer. Thanks to those who signed up for this duty.
- The **Member Directory** is on the table in the foyer. Please review and make any required changes. **Contact Kim Blaylock if you need a new picture.**
- Please sign the **Get Well Card for Vernon Means** located on the table in the foyer.
- A flyer with upcoming events at the Mt. Dora Christian Home is posted on the bulletin board in the foyer.

### Continuing Prayer List

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| - Genny Naugle        | Susan Dinsmore  |
| - Toby Scavotto       | David Marion    |
| - Corrine Jacobsen    | Deb Taylor      |
| - Gwen Means          | Tillie Johnson  |
| - Ann Clark           | Tom Forrester   |
| - Wyona Howard        | Erma Barr       |
| - Craig Cannaday      | Jackie Cannaday |
| - Maggie McDonald and | Maggie's Mother |
| - Buddy Williams      | Brenda Summers  |

### Prayer Requests

- **Vernon Means** – Recovering from heart bypass surgery
- **McMorris Tater** – Recovering from leg injury
- **Yvonne Parker** – Recovering from surgery
- **Tom Lester** – Ongoing health issues
- **Suzy Wilkerson** – Back pain
- **Iwana Smith** – Ongoing health issues
- **Joe Gribble** – Sandy Lathrop's Uncle in TN.

### Event Calendar

**January 11<sup>th</sup>** – Ladies' Bible Class, 7 PM

**February 8<sup>th</sup>** – Ladies' Bible Class, 7 PM

### Upcoming Birthdays

**January 16<sup>th</sup>** – Pat Furin

**January 29<sup>th</sup>** – Pat Miller

### **HONESTY**

"Whoever is careless with the truth in small matters cannot be trusted with important matters"

— **Albert Einstein**

"Honesty is the first chapter of the book wisdom."

— **Thomas Jefferson**

"for we have regard for what is honorable, not only in the sight of God, but also in the sight of men."

**II Corinthians 8:21**

## Straightforwardness

"Nothing more completely baffles one who is full of tricks and duplicity than straightforward and simple integrity in another" (Gotthold Ephraim Lessing).

HOW REFRESHING IT IS TO DEAL WITH THOSE WHO ARE STRAIGHTFORWARD! In a world where we often have to wonder if we're being told the whole truth, it's like a breath of fresh air when we encounter those faithful folks who actually are what they want others to believe they are. At least this experience is refreshing if we ourselves are honest. If we're not, those who refuse to leave the path of truth are probably sources of great frustration to us.

Straightforwardness can best be understood by looking at its opposite: deviousness. "Devious" comes from a Latin word which meant "away from the road." The devious person is willing to go "out of the way" to get what he wants, following a secret, crooked path if necessary. Skilled at winning people's confidence (at least superficially), the devious operator shows only as much of himself as is "expedient."

By contrast, the straightforward person stays on the high road of openness and honesty. He has no hidden agenda and no desire to manipulate the course of events. There is a simple strength about this person: the strength of truth. There is also a certain peace and relaxation. Not having told the truth selectively (with some parts told to some people and other parts told to others), he has no need to keep track of which version of himself he has presented to which person. He is the "real deal," known by all to be dependably open.

There are few things more valuable than a reputation for straight dealing, and such a reputation ought to be one of our highest priorities. Yet it can't be gained by devious means! We can't depend on the clever use of personality to conjure up the image of character. Smoke and mirrors will not suffice, nor can we always "spin" the truth to our advantage. We must simply be what we wish to appear to be. That's straightforwardness, and that's what people want from us.

*"The most agreeable of all companions is a simple, frank person, without any high*

*pretensions to an oppressive greatness — one who loves life and understands the use of it; obliging alike at all hours; above all, of a golden temper, and steadfast as an anchor. For such a one we gladly exchange the greatest genius, the most brilliant wit, the profoundest thinker".*

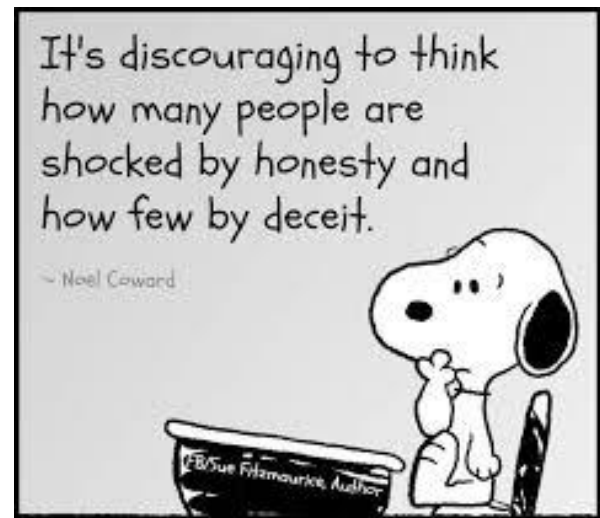
(Charles Caleb Colton).

## Word Points by Gary Henry Wordpoints.Com

### Today's Bible Question

In Proverbs we read the following: "Bread obtained by falsehood is sweet to man. But afterward his mouth will be filled with \_\_\_\_\_?"

- A. Bitterness
- B. Sorrow
- C. Gravel
- D. Sores



### Answer to Today's Bible Question

Answer C: Proverbs 20:17