

Lake Houston Church of Christ

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Misdirected Rage

by Kevin Hahn

On Wednesday night, we talked about man's inclination to blame God for suffering even when it's brought on by our own decisions or actions.

This is nothing new. In the beginning, God asked Adam a very simple *yes* or *no* question: "Have you eaten of the tree of which I commanded you not to eat?" (Gen 3:11). Rather than answering with a very obvious "yes," Adam said, "The woman whom you gave to be with me, she gave me fruit of the tree, and I ate" (v. 12).

Sometimes, mankind isn't nearly so subtle. Regardless of the messes we get ourselves into, it must ultimately be God's fault. He should change his commands! He shouldn't expect so much! In fact, he's being really unfair! I don't deserve this!

The Bible says, "When a man's folly brings his way to ruin, his heart rages against the Lord" (Prov 19:3).

We see the cause – "When a man's folly..."

We see the effect – "...brings his way to ruin..."

We place blame – "...his heart rages against the Lord."

Blame *properly* placed can bring about powerful repentance. When David repented he said, "Against you, you only, have I sinned and done what is evil in your sight, so that you may be justified in your words and blameless in your judgment" (Ps 51:4).

God already knows when we're to blame, and he *still* graciously offers to forgive us. Why rage against the one who loves us even when we're most unlovable?

ELDERS

JY Brown

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* Elder on call

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Elmer Hitt - Evangelism

Carl Holder – Domestic Missions

Eric Johnson - Finance

Ken Johnson – Building & Grounds

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Our Record	1/06/18
Bible Study	187
AM	369
PM	201
Wednesday	210
Contribution	\$17,715.28
Budget	\$17,167.00

Prayer List

MEMBERS

- ✧ Sandra Caballero– Recovering from surgery
- ✧ Mike Degge – Recovering from surgery
- ✧ Philip Folmsbee – Flu
- ✧ Elbert Ford – Recovering from surgery
- ✧ Elmer Hitt – Recovering from surgery
- ✧ Stan Januhowski – Test results
- ✧ Ginny Umholtz – Neck surgery January 17th

MEMBERS WITH ONGOING CONCERNS

- ✧ Wendy Bounds
- ✧ Mickie & Laura Buchanan – Test results
- ✧ Evelyn Fain – Holly Hall Ret.Comm AL212
- ✧ Michelle Goodnight
- ✧ Linda Haynes
- ✧ Ruth Hunt
- ✧ Lucy Makowsky
- ✧ Buz Reynolds – ALS
- ✧ Exa Roth
- ✧ Yvette Sharp
- ✧ Rosemary Trevena

For a more complete list, visit our website:
lakehoustonsoc.org

Meeting Schedule

Sunday

Bible Class.....	9:00 a.m.
Worship.....	10:00 a.m.
Evening Worship.....	5:00 p.m.

Tuesday

Ladies' Bible Class (September–May)...10:00 a.m.

Wednesday

Bible class (all ages).....7:00 p.m.

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Email us at lakehoustonsoc@gmail.com

There you will find:

Our Calendar	Our Missionaries
Prayer List	Those in the Military
Audio Sermons	Involvement Form



Thank You

Thank you to all who provided the wonderful meals. – Mike & Yvette Sharp (If you provided food for the Sharps, your containers are on the shelf outside of the Communion kitchen.

Prayer Request

Delaney Baker came asking for prayers last Sunday evening as she is still struggling with the pain from her accident in November.

Song Leader Workshop

Our 2nd Song Leader Workshop is February 10th, 3:30 - 5:00 p.m. The congregation is encouraged to attend as our prospective song leaders want the opportunity to sing with the congregation. Brother Price will conduct a review of the information discussed in the first sessions-voice, pitch, music and mechanics. Additionally, he will teach those from the congregation, and help them as to how they perceive and respond to what the leaders do to lead them.

All of this leads to the goals for song leaders – that God is praised and glorified, and that the congregation is engaged as the song leaders do their best to lead. For the congregation, the goal is to encourage 100% participation and engagement in the song service as part of the overall worship.

As was done for the 1st workshop, the song leaders planning to attend should indicate there plans to attend by signing the workshop sign-up sheet in the foyer. - Terry Hunt

Pantry Needs

Lake Houston is a very generous congregation and fills our pantry very well. Do you ever wonder what happens to the food you bring weekly? First, it goes to anyone here at LHCOC who may need it. Second, it goes to anyone in the community who comes to the building. Thirdly, it goes to "The Door," our local women's shelter. It also goes to the children's home we support (especially the Hamburger Helper!) twice a year. Shortly after a flood/hurricane, we have emptied the shelves sending food to the Impact congregation to help with their needs. All because of your donations!

Here is our new pantry list:

Applesauce	Canned Chili
Canned Meats	Cereal/oatmeal
Macaroni & Cheese	Pancake mix/syrup

"...for I was hungry and you fed me...."

Reading Schedule

Sunday-Proverbs 8	Thursday-Proverbs 12
Monday-Proverbs 9	Friday-Proverbs 13
Tuesday-Proverbs 10	Saturday-Proverbs 14
Wednesday-Proverbs 11	

Sign-up for 2019

We still have June, August, October, November and December open on the 2019 sign-up sheet for Communion Prep.

Youth Devo

This evening, January 13th, at the home of Eric and Jenny Kennedy. Guys bring drinks and the gals bring desserts! Hope you can make it!

Ladies Bible Class

Ladies Bible Class will be resuming Tuesday, January 15th, at 10:00 am. Class meets in the fellowship hall and babysitting is available.

Blood Drive

Our next blood drive is February 9th. Please use the sign-up sheet in the foyer or go to commitforlife.org to sign up. Thanks!

T3 Commission

Attention parents of 8th grade students through college: Registration for T3 has opened. T3 stands for **Teaching the Truth**. T3 is a youth conference hosted by the Lewisville church of Christ on February 15-17. We'll leave sometime after school on February 15th and return around 4:00 p.m. on the 17th.

The cost of the trip will be between \$35-50. The price depends on whether your child wants to get a t-shirt. The registration fee (\$35) will cover (e.g. lodging, transportation, most meals, etc.) except supper Friday evening and Sunday lunch. We'll be traveling during those times and will plan to eat out for those meals.

If you're interested in letting your child attend I'll be happy to answer any and all questions.

The deadline to sign-up for this event is Wednesday, January 9th.

The website is: <https://www.t3texas.com/>

Corporate Meeting – 1/20

We will have our annual corporate meeting and 2019 budget presentation on Sunday, January 20th, at 4:00 p.m. Please plan to attend.

From Cason

As we launch into this journey of reading through the Old Testament, I want us to begin with and maintain proper focus and motivation. With that said, I think Proverbs 1:7 can help us to keep things in perspective; it says, “The fear of the LORD is the beginning of knowledge; fools despise wisdom and instruction.” I chose to highlight this verse because I believe it helps us stay focused and reminds us why we read, study, and seek to know more about God and his will. When one makes the decision to become a Christian, he or she makes the decision to follow God and then continually seeks to learn more about him and his will. Our Christian walk is about discovering what pleases God and striving to do only those things. The author of Proverbs 1 describes seeking to please God as “wisdom” or “knowledge” in verse 7. The word “fear” in that same verse is not a word that means being scared or worrying about impending punishment; it’s a word that means reverence, respect, and putting God in his proper place. As we read through the Old Testament, my goal is for us to use this as an opportunity to learn more about God and what pleases him. As we gain this knowledge, I hope we will then intentionally use what we’ve learned to do what pleases him and that we’ll share it with others.

Proverbs is a wonderful book, full of wisdom and insight. As you read through this book you’ll notice the contrast between the consequences of acting like a fool and the rewards of being wise. My prayer is that we’ll follow the example of the wise, not because of the rewards but because it pleases God, because that it what being a disciple of Christ is all about.



Those Privileged to Serve

Sunday, January 13, 2018			Sunday, January 20, 2018		
Speaker		Kevin Hahn	Speaker		Kevin Hahn
Song Leader		Jonathan Roane	Song Leader		Brent McFarland
Greetings/Call to Worship		Kenton Lockhart	Greetings/Call to Worship		Kenton Lockhart
Communion Talk		Verne Weir	Communion Talk		M. Nwugwogu
Communion	Rick Cunningham	Orville Culpepper	Communion	Randall Perero	Cedric Covington
	Victor Snyder	Bud Dromgoole		Jospeh Perero	Darrell Ingle
Scripture		John Kennedy	Scripture		Troy May
Closing Prayer		Larry Heasley	Closing Prayer		Larry Heasley
Greeters	Henson	Lyerly	Greeters	Henson	Lyerly
Communion Prep		G. Ward	Communion Prep		G. Ward
Cards	Madan Barbee	Jackson Brooks	Cards	Madan Barbee	Jackson Brooks
	Eric Caballero	Caden Carnathan		Eric Caballero	Caden Carnathan
Building Lockup	Primary–Hall	B/U-G. Ward	Building Lockup	Primary–Hall	B/U-G. Ward
EVENING			EVENING		
Speaker		Kevin Hahn	Speaker		Kevin Hahn
Song Leader		Jonathan Roane	Song Leader		Brent McFarland
Opening Prayer		Matt Carnathan	Opening Prayer		Michael Corley
Communion	Grant McFarland	Carl Holder	Communion	Wasiu Adekunle	W. Adekunle Jr
Closing Prayer		Kenton Lockhart	Closing Prayer		Kenton Lockhart
Wednesday, January 16, 2019			Wednesday, January 23, 2019		
Greetings		Kenton Lockhart	Greetings		Caleb Hahn
Song Leader		Brent McFarland	Song Leader		Caleb Hahn