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The Sermon by Pastor Willie White, Jr.

June 21, 2020

SPECIAL FATHER'S DAY MESSAGE

"I MISS MY FATHER!"

Luke 15:18= I will arise and go to my father and will say unto him, Father I have sinned against heaven and before thee.

The other day I was reading about how the military used satellites during war, and what I learned it blew my mind. The military uses satellites to show them where the enemy is located. They provide pictures and perspectives so that they are kept from ambushes and traps. They provide information critical for being victorious in war. After reading this article, I thought about Fathers. Fathers are supposed to be like satellites, providing a perspective for their children in order to keep them from being ambushed by this mean and cruel world.

Here in our text this morning Jesus is using another parable to pinpoint the problem. Let us look at verses 11-12 so that we can discover **point number one**.

1. ATTITUDE (Appearance, feelings, perspective). Negative attitudes lead to wrong decisions. Often we let others' values and actions dictate our attitudes and behavior. Do you remember the Israelites? The Israelites were called to be a holy nation, separate from and unique among all others. The Israelites' motive in asking for a king was to be like the nations around them. This was in total opposition to God's original plan. It was not their desire for a king that was wrong but their reasons for wanting a king. When God's children want to be like unbelievers, they are heading for spiritual disaster. **I MISS MY FATHER**

Let us glean from verses 13-19 and we will unpack **point number two**.

2: ADVICE (Direction, Help, Counsel). Please be careful, when you receive advice from other people. You must evaluate both the advice and advisers, (The one who is giving you the advice). To evaluate advice, ask if it is realistic, workable, and consistent with biblical

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principles. Advice is helpful only if we evaluate it with God's standards in mind. **I MISS MY FATHER**

As I close from the text, let's look at verses 20-23 in order to identify **point number three**. **3: APPRECIATION (Enjoyment, Thankfulness, Value)**. Appreciation builds relationships. People cannot know you appreciate them if you don't tell them they are important to you. Complimenting those who deserve it builds lasting relationships and helps people know they are valued.

I MISS MY FATHER

I LOVE BEING YOUR PASTOR

PASTOR WHITE

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ANNOUNCEMENTS –SUNDAY, JUNE 21, 2020



-TODAY IS FATHER'S DAY! HAPPY FATHER'S DAY TO ALL OF THE MEN OF THE CHURCH. A gift of love from the women of the church to remind the men that you are "Forgiven and Free." Pastor White's message will be shown live on FaceBook. Enjoy other messages and services at church website: johnschapelamec.org

--Pastor White thanks everyone for support of the Juneteenth Celebration on last evening at JC. Special thanks to Nichole Nichols, Visionary, for pulling the celebration together.

--We will continue our current worship system until the AME Church issues guidance, which the Pastor will pass along to us. In the meantime, please continue to pray, and heed all public directives regarding the **Coronavirus Pandemic. STAY SAFE – STAY HOME** as much as possible Stay abreast of the latest directives. www.cdc.gov <https://www.alabamapublichealth.gov> www.aarp.org

--Pastor White presents: "SERMON DASH". You may receive a hard copy or a CD/DVD of sermons via text, phone call, e-mail or word of mouth, etc., and we will get the sermon to you.

--Bishop Seawright has announced dates of the upcoming series of Annual Conferences: Tuesday, September 29 – Friday, October 2, 2020. Format for meetings and services will be virtual – not in person. Components have been asked to select dates for their annual days between August and November 2020. These and other details are pending.

-- Drive thru JC Vacation Bible School: Monday-Friday, June 29-July 3. Pizza Party at the Boys and Girls' Club at 3:30-5:00 on Friday. More details to come Sister LauReen McDaniel.

--All JC ladies are asked to see Sister Marge today or as soon as possible. Thank you.

OPPORTUNITIES TO WORSHIP & SERVE – Check e-mails and text messages for more info.

--EACH SUNDAY – Worship service at 9:00 a.m.. Church School Lesson Summary 10:15-10:45 via conference call. Dial-in # 605-313-5111 Access code 737936. Grab & Go – 10:45-11:45; Drive Up Worship in Cars – 12 Noon

--MONDAY – FRIDAY. Summer Feeding program. Carry-out Meals for Children ages 1-18 here at JC. 11:00 a.m. For more info, please see Pastor White.

--EACH WEDNESDAY – JC Bible Study via conference call - 7:00 p.m. Dial-in # 605-313-5111 Access code 737936

--Friday & Saturday, June 26-27 - Virtual Ozark Troy District Church School Convention via Zoom. Friday at 6:30 p.m. – Worship service. Saturday, 9:30-1:00 – Workshops and Lunch. Dial-in details forthcoming.

--Saturday, June 27 – Break Every Chain Health Ministry will host a Walk for the Alabama Kidney Foundation at Johnny Henderson Park. All proceeds to Alabama Kidney Foundation. For more details, please contact Nichole Nichols at 1-404-375-5003

--JC MEMBERS ARE OBEYING THE LAW AND RESPONDING TO THE CENSUS. -- Pastor White is asking Class Leaders to please check on all class members to see how they are doing and also inquire if they have completed the Census. If not, please emphasize the importance, and let them know help is available.

Volunteers: LauReen McDaniel 334-470-1816; Franklin Simmons 334-494-2377; & Marge Simmons 334-477-1962.

26 Households reporting! OUTSTANDING! If you haven't completed the census, please do so today and let Sister Marge know. Check out the website at www.census2020.gov and encourage others to respond. .

PRAYER LIST Week of June 21-27, 2020

-- Sister Annie Pearl Allen (wife of Brother Roland)
--Sister Eleanor Bailey
-- Jennifer Bigham – Doing well at home
-- Debra D. Brown -Address: 74 Davis Street, Charles Town, WV 25414-
--Sister Geraldine Booth
--Sister Brenda Crawford
--Sister Debra Fay Brown – Bereavement
--Caiden M. Gary, Grandson of Sis C. Jones
--Ms Fay, lives in another state – A believer asked us to pray for her sister to have a closer walk with God
--Sister Annie Pearl Frazier
--Sister Ruby Grayer
--Sister Dorothy Holmes
--Sister Kim Jackson—Sister of Bro. Golden



--Sister Constance Jones & Family
--Sister Mable Mays
--Sister Ann McGaughey
--Dr. Russell Nichols
--Sister Minnie Powell, Mother of Sis. White
--Sister Rosetta White & Brother Willie White, Sr. — Parents of Pastor White
--Sister Johnnie Sanders
--Brother Larry Wilson—Husband of Sis. Shun Wilson
--Sister Eloise Williams
--The United States of America & the World
***New entries in bold print**
Remember to pray for and check on our shut-in members.

HAPPY BIRTHDAY

June 18

Thelma Bailey

June 26

Antwon Pyatt

HAPPY ANNIVERSARY

June 24 1974

Mr. & Mrs. Franklin Simmons (Marge)

