

The Messenger

COLDWATER CHURCH OF CHRIST May 3, 2020



Symptoms & Diseases

Written by Seth Daniel



A disease process is quite often recognized by a certain set of symptoms. For example a high fever, lethargy and pain are often some of the symptoms of an infection. It does little good to just treat the symptoms and not the cause of the disease. There are symptoms for sin also. It doesn't do any good to treat the symptoms without dealing with the sin. When sin is overcome the symptoms disappear. Sin is a

This then is the message which we have heard of him, and declare unto you... (1 John 1:5).

**VISITORS,
WELCOME!**

Sunday:

9:30 a.m. Bible Class

10:30 a.m. WORSHIP

1:00 p.m. WORSHIP

Wednesday:

7:00 p.m. Bible Class

We have Bible classes
for all ages & fellowship
for lunch every Sunday!

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... transgression of the law (1 John 3:4; Here, he is talking about the perfect law of liberty spoken of by James; James 1:25).

What are some of these transgressions of God's law? The lack of control over the tongue (James 1:26). A person who allows their pride to rule their lives (James 1:23-24; 2:1-4). In Proverbs 6:16 the wise man Solomon wrote:

These six things doth the LORD hate: yea, seven are an abomination unto him: A proud look, a lying tongue, and hands that shed innocent blood, a heart that deviseth wicked imaginations, feet that be swift in running to mischief, a false witness that speaketh lies, and he that soweth discord among brethren (Here are the symptoms of sin).

The apostle John identifies three avenues of sin. "Love not the world, neither the things that are in the world. If any man love the world, the love of the Father is not in him. For all that is in the world, the lust of the flesh, and the lust of the eyes, and the pride of life, is not of the Father, but is of the world" (1 John 2:15-16).

How often do we see these symptoms in those of the world? How often do we see them in the lives of our brothers and sisters? Many Christians live on the edge of falling away because they want to live sort of like the world but not to the degree of indulgence of the worldly. The cure for sin is obedience to the will of God. John said, "But if we walk in the light, as he is in the light, we have fellowship one with another, and the blood of Jesus Christ his Son cleanseth us from all sin" (1 John 1:7). How close to sinful activities can one get before becoming tainted by sin? Can a bride in her white gown crawl through a coal

bin without her gown being ruined by the coal dust? Some think they can watch "R" rated movies without being affected by them. Others think nothing of repeating gossip while some think that just a sip of alcohol is not going to affect them. We need to instill in the hearts of everyone the need to stay as close as we can to God and as far as we can from the world. God wants you as His servant. "Thy word have I hid in mine heart, that I might not sin against thee" (Psalm 119:11).

BE NOT WEARY IN WELL DOING

by Seth Daniel

Paul wrote to the Galatian church concerning their lack of spiritual maturity. They had been led away from the gospel which Paul preached to them originally and had gone after men who taught false doctrines. It may be that some had even suggested they had a message from angels. Even though Paul had been the one on whom persecution was delivered most strenuously, he was the one who was encouraging them who had little if any. "And let us not be weary in well doing: for in due season we shall reap, if we faint not" (Galatians 6:9).

When we feel that nothing is being done to further the cause of Christ, look in the mirror. Is that the one who could do just the thing to spark greater work? Everyone is vitally important to the family of God, and no one should think that they are not important to the cause. We should all be like the prophet Isaiah when the Lord spoke to him as recorded in Isaiah 6:8, "Also I heard the voice of the Lord, saying, Whom shall I send, and who will go for us? Then said I, **Here am I, send me.**"

NEWS & NOTES

Please Pray

Jan & Seth Daniel, Seth's latest scan has shown spread of the cancer and he will begin a new medication; **Wiley Tuggle**; **Terry Davis**; **Sammy Williams**; **Inez Neyman**; **Clarence & Faye Edwards**.

Far East Missions Fishers of Men NetCasters

Family & Friends

Several out of work; **Charles Savage**, Lara's dad, severe back pain; **Richard Neal**, Clifton's neighbor, cancer treatments; **Martha Williams**, Amanda Lyon's grandmother, dementia.

Birthdays

5/7 Aiyanna Meredith
5/9 David Angel
5/15 Andy Ratliff
5/25 Jarrett Davis
5/25 Davis Johnson

Anniversaries

5/15 Jason & Ginger Bayless
5/17 Joe & Leigh Anne Owen
5/19 Seth & Jan Daniel
5/23 Johnny & Stephanie Bayless
5/26 Jimmy & Virginia Sowell
5/31 Billy & Terry Bland

Get Involved!

May 3: Assembling at Building, 10:30 AM
Guidelines for parking and other details provided via our FB group, email, and all-call

May 6: Youth Bible Class on Zoom, 5 PM
We are grateful to the Ferrell's for their providing this during this time of isolation

May 6: Adult Bible Class, FBLive, 7:25 PM

Coldwater VBS Cancelled
Was Scheduled for May 31 – June 4
Unfortunately, several factors surrounding the pandemic have led to this decision

Privileged to Serve

Sunday, May 3

Morning

Prayer Before Class	
Announcements	Billy Bland
Song Leader	Noah Davis
Opening Prayer	Jason Bayless
Sermon	Clifton Angel
Lord's Supper:	Jeffrey Ferrell
Preside	

Assist

Closing Prayer	Jerry Davis
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Afternoon

Song Leader	P
Opening Prayer	O
Sermon	S
Lord's Supper	T

Closing Prayer	P
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Wednesday, May 6 **O**

Song Leader	N
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