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#### Sundays

Bible Study	9:30 AM
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### Goals For 2022 Theme

Be Ye Imitators of Christ

Attendance: Sunday Bible Study: 40;

Sunday AM: 50

Sunday PM: 40; Wednesday Bible Study: 30

Giving: Meet Our Yearly Budget

Invitations: 130

Every Member Committed To Daily Bible
Reading

Every Member Committed To Daily Prayer

Every Member Committed To Be At Every Service

Support the Work in Vincennes, Indiana Hold A Men's Training Class

Hold One Gospel Meeting

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Gerald Barr

is preaching today

We are now in week #30 of our Daily Bible Reading.

### **Prayer List**

Lynn Maudlin, Sharon Maudlin, Sharon Nale, Polly Ward Dunn family on Les' passing Debby Spears (Roseann's sis) Sharon Thompson, Kay Thompson Gene Ward & Beth McFarland Brooke Thomas, Pam Caudill

THIS MONTH:
Gave Forgiveness

Debbie Lewellen, Cathie Hall

Matt. 9:2,Jn. 3:17, Eph. 4:32,Col. 3:13

Who Have You Invited To Services This week?

Lord's Supper Mark 14:17-25

Scripture Reading

AM: Ge. 13:8-10 PM: Daniel 5:1-5

### **Encouragement Tally**

Invites this month: 7 Invites last month: 21 Visitors YTD: 9

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# The

# Clarksville Beacon

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Our Theme for 2022...

"Being Imitators of Christ"

1 Cor. 11:1

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# **Pitching Your Tent**

### Welcome!

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If you're visiting with us today, we want you to feel welcome and we want you to feel like our honored guest! We also want you to know that all we're interested in here at the Clarksville Church of Christ is the Truth Jesus said. "You shall know the truth, and the truth shall make vou free." John 8:32. The truth He's talking about is God's word. Jesus said, "Sanctify them by thy truth, Thy word is truth." John 17:17. Therefore we hope you'll appreciate that we'll give you book, chapter and verse from the Bible, the word of God, for everything that we say or do here today, so that everything that we do may bring

## **VISITORS**

glory unto God, I Pet.

4:11.

Please fill out a visitor's card or scan the QR code below and provide the information requested.



Reading: Gen. 13:8-10

Toward the World? Matthew 16:25-27

Toward Immoral People? 1 Cor. 15:32-34

Toward Your Family? Luke 14:25-27

Toward GOD? Matthew 11:27-29

Matthew 6:33

But seek first His kingdom and His righteousness, and all these things will be added to you.

**Gerald Barr** 

# Thw writing on the Wall

Reading: Daniel 5

King Belshazzar's Great Banquet - Daniel 5:1-5

King Belshazzar Could Not Read the Writing - Daniel 5:7-12

**Daniel Reads the Inscription** - Daniel 5:13-30

# The Writing Is on the Wall

The Attack on GOD - Exodus 20:3, Exodus 20:23, Matthew 6:24

Attack on Values – Galatians 6:7-8

The War on The Family – Matthew 19:3

The Attack on Salvation – John14:16, 2 Corinthians 5:9-11

## Daniel 5:5

<sup>5</sup> Suddenly the fingers of a human hand emerged and began writing opposite the lampstand on the plaster of the wall of the king's palace, and the king saw the back of the hand that did the writing.

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# It's That Simple

The best commercials or ads are the ones that have a simple catch phrase that is easy to remember and easy to repeat. Geico, Rocket Mortgage and Staples have been great at doing this with their ads. They have used phrases like "15 minute could save you 15%", "push button get mortgage", "Rocket Can", and "It's that easy" to position their products as the easiest most efficient ones on the market; a simple act that can do great things to change your life.

The story of Naaman, in 2 Kings 5, reminds me of this very concept. Having a simple message can do great things in someone's life! Naaman was a great man and a valiant warrior that had only one issue that seemed to be plaguing his life. He had leprosy. In the ancient world this would have been a horrifying disease to be diagnosed with. Medicinenet.com describes Leprosy as "disease that develops slowly from six months to 40 years and results in skin lesions and deformities, most often affecting the cooler places on the body for example, eyes, nose, earlobes, hands, and feet." Naaman would have done anything to find a cure for this terrible disease. A captive Israelite slave girl told Naaman's wife in 2 Kings 5:3, ""If only my master were with the prophet who is in Samaria! Then he would cure him of his leprosy.".

Upon hearing the message Naaman traveled to Israel with a letter from his King and over \$1 Million dollars (todays value) to obtain this cure for leprosy. To his dismay he was given a simple message from Elisha's servant in 2 Kings 5:10. ""Go and wash in the Jordan seven times, and your flesh will be restored to you and you will be clean.". This was not the message that Naaman was looking for and it frustrated him. Fortunately, Naaman had wise servants and in 2 Kings 5:13-14 they were able to convince him to dip 7 times in the Jordan, telling him that if he had been told, "to do some great thing, would you not have done it? How much more then, when he says to you, 'Wash, and be clean'?" Naaman went and did as Elisha had instructed him and he was cleansed.

Today is no different than in Naaman's day. Sin is the disease that is plaguing our communities, our country and the world. Just like leprosy, sin can develop slowly from six months to 40 years, eventually leading to death. There is a cure, and it is as simple and as the message that was given to Naaman. Peter, in Acts 2, gave similar instructions, as Elisha had, when the people asked what they should do to be saved. He responded in Acts 2:38, ""Repent, and each of you be baptized in the name of Jesus Christ for the forgiveness of your sins; and you will receive the gift of the Holy Spirit." This might not be the answer you are looking for, but it is only through Jesus that your sins will be washed away. This simple act is one that will do great things to change your life now and for eternity.

**Gerald Barr**