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# Informer



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**I Thessalonians 4:2-5** *For you know what commandments we gave you by the authority of the Lord Jesus. 3 For this is the will of God, your sanctification; that is, that you abstain from sexual immorality; 4 that each of you know how to possess his own vessel in sanctification and honor, 5 not in lustful passion, like the Gentiles who do not know God;*

This weekend a number of our young people will be going along with about 1300 other teenagers to Evangelism University in Savannah, TN. Natalie and I are going to help instruct in some of the classes for these young people who are focusing on spreading the good news of the gospel. I will be on a panel discussing the need to properly handle temptations. I believe it to be a great topic for young people because one of the biggest turn offs to Christianity is when those outside of the faith see believers who give in to temptations to live as the world.

Paul plainly teaches in I Thessalonians 4 it is God's will for us to be separate from the world and one of the ways we do this is by staying away from sexual immorality. In the world this behavior is rampant, but in God's kingdom it is to be absent. While this is a strong temptation to young and old alike, we are called on to realize our bodies are the vessels of God's Holy Spirit and that they have been bought with a price (I Corinthians 6:19,20). We must glorify God with our bodies. That is also why He told them not to associate with anyone who is a Christian who is guilty of sexually immorality (I Corinthians 5:9). God knew if His people give in to the desires of the flesh, participating, and allowing sexual immorality within the church it would bring much harm. Not only would the individuals involved be in danger of judgment, but our ability to draw others to the Lord would be greatly hampered. May we all do our best to fight for purity within our lives.

John

## Two Things That Don't Make Sense

Proverbs 11:22 Like a gold ring in a pig's snout is a beautiful woman who shows no discretion.

In Biblical days, women wore jewelry even more than today. One item that they wore that is not typical today is nose rings. Of course it could be out of various materials but the most valuable ones were made of gold. The nose ring would be obvious to anyone who looked at the woman and it was certainly easy to see that it was made of gold. Would the same ring be placed in a pig's snout? Rings are placed in a pig's snout in order to prevent him from rooting with his nose. It would not make sense to place a gold ring in its snout. This object of beauty does not belong on a pig.

The second illustration is concerning beautiful women. Solomon does not clarify as to whether it is inner beauty or outer beauty but both certainly apply. The beautiful woman will be as easily seen as the gold ring worn for jewelry. What does not make sense is a beautiful woman that does not show discretion. What is discretion? One definition is the ability to behave without causing embarrassment or attracting too much attention. A second meaning is the quality of behaving or speaking in such a way as to avoid causing offense or revealing private information. It includes being careful about what you say and showing a great sense of levelheadedness. A beautiful woman that creates embarrassment or isn't careful about what she says or simply calls a lot of attention to herself will quickly lose her beauty. As children of God, inner beauty is to be an attractant to people. Let all of us, both male and female, make ourselves attractive by living out godly principles.

Joe

**KEEP IN YOUR PRAYERS:**

**OUR MEMBERS**

- Alice Bolton - chemo
- Ann Brady
- Bernice Bratton
- Joy Brown & Fred Brown
- Bill Carroll - 2502 Shangrila Trail
- Mary Chumbley - Life Care, Rm. 240
- John Churchwell
- Dave Coleman - recovering from cataract surgery
- Athaleen Cox
- Clyde Farris
- Myrna Jett
- Margaret Johnson
- Maetta King - Poplar Estates 215
- Libby Moss - at home recovering from surgery
- Frances Petty - NHC Columbia, Rm. 111-A, 375-4887
- Melba Pollard - recovering from surgery
- Gene Porter
- Jimmy Quirk - chemo
- Virginia Staggs - Poplar Estates, The Gardens, Rm. 6
- Melissa Stutts - recovering from surgery
- Donald White
- Suzanna White - Health South Rehab, Rm. 228
- Elaine Whitehead
- Peggy Wilson - recovering from cataract surgery

**FRIENDS AND FAMILY**

Lori Brown, Carter Sexton, friend of Boyd & June Wood, William Nicholson - brother of Larry, Jennifer Coble - friend of Ashlea Bermudez, Carson Vitrano 13 yr. old friend of the Barbers, Polly O'Bryant - Life Care, Rm. 240, Pam Burgett, Jeanne Nicholson - chemo, JoAnn Posey, Alene Cox, Ronald Mayberry - brother of Eldridge & John Mayberry, J.C. Gray - cousin of Kay Beard, Wray Wright, uncle of Cheyenne McNeese - lung cancer, Ralph Gilmore, Dianne Thomas Stevens - friend of the Nicholsons, Cynthia Cheek Spicer - sister of Myrna Jett, James Garner-uncle of Terry Burgess, Dot Martin, sister of Linda Weaver - NHC Columbia, Rm. 138-A, David Phillips, Laurie Ann Beever - cousin of Kim Fitzgerald and Baileys Christensen - friend of Kim, Patricia Luna - aunt of Jason Kelley, Austin Long and Joyce Runions - relatives of Phillis Churchwell, Alex and Evan Rector, Shirley Sharp - lung cancer, Debbie Spears, Norma Boyette - sister of Bill Jones & Elaine Whitehead, Roiki Phillips, Juanita Boyd - stepmom of Gary, Elvis Frierson - friend of John Mayberry, Glenda Collins - sister of John & Eldridge Mayberry - Life Care, Rm. 141A, Nick Tank - student at Baker - leukemia, Clara Harvey, aunt of Ray Rummage - Life Care, Rm. 114, Clarence Weaver, Stacey Brown - cystic fibrosis, Dorothy Rea, Evelyn Felker, Ann Graham - Belvedere Commons of Franklin, Beverly Dawson, Jack & Daisy White, Jane Davis - sister of Nell Hood, David Luther, Jacqueline Potts, Mary Blocker, Kendall Westmoreland, Virginia Clay, Willard Blocker, Mary Robb - Poplar Estates, The Gardens, Rm. 8.

**WORSHIP LEADERS JANUARY 15, 2017**

**SUNDAY 9:00 A.M**

Welcome.....Jerry Wilson  
 Song Leader.....Kevin Mick  
 Prayer.....Byran Farris  
 Lord's Supper: Presiding.....Gary Boyd  
     Cheyenne McNeese      Tracey Wilkins  
     Larry Nicholson        Lee Winchester  
     Tommy Skelley         Jim Anderson  
     David Thomas         Jerry Barber  
 Read: Ecclesiastes 3:18-22.....Mike Lyle  
 Sermon: One Moment After I Die (Part 1).....Joe Macer  
 Announcements/Closing Prayer.....Jerry Wilson

**SUNDAY 5:30 P.M.**

Welcome/Song Leader.....Dennis Thomason  
 Prayer.....Greg Gray  
 Read: Matthew 4:1-11.....Ryan Massey  
 Sermon: How To Fight Temptation.....John Thomas  
 Presiding.....Charlie Willis  
 Announcements/Closing Prayer.....Donnie G. Davis

Ushers: Ryan Grice, Jacob Pollard, Chris Mobley  
 Greeters: Linda Rochelle, Barrow & Carla Brown, Lori Lee  
 Visual: Chris Mobley, Jerry Thornton  
 Security Team: A.M.& P.M. - Benny Bolton, Bobby Daniels

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**WEDNESDAY, JANUARY 18, 2017 - 6:30 P.M.**

A.M.....Kim Morgan, Libby Moss  
 P.M.....Jan Thomason

Song Leader .....Nathan Hixson  
 Prayer.....Dennis Thomason  
 Announcements/Speaker.....Kevin Mick