

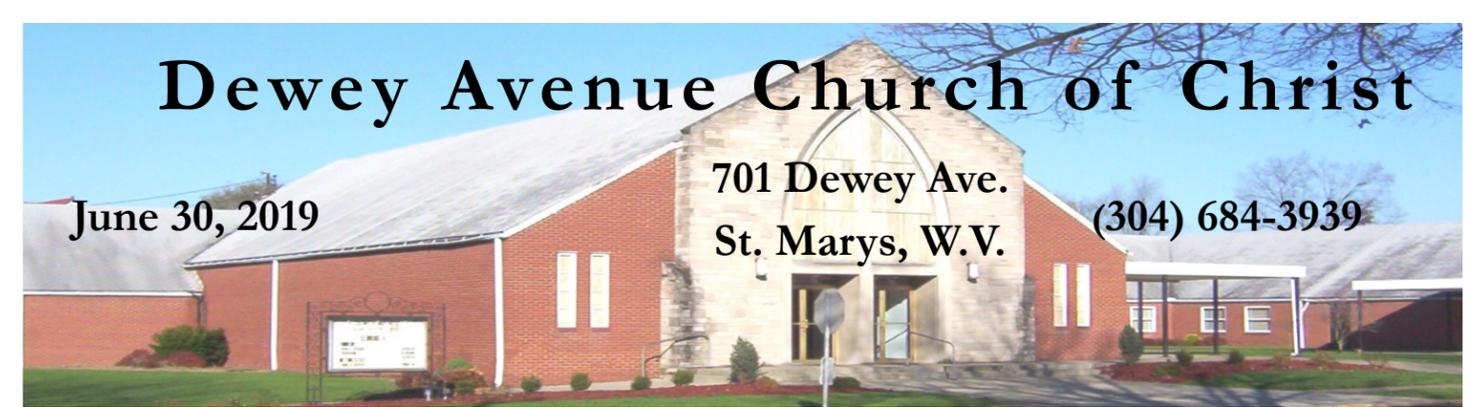
***** If anyone has a topic you would like for Dale to present a lesson on, you can write it down and please sign your name, in case Dale has any questions and place it in the box on the table in the back of the auditorium.**

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Wandering Into The Wilderness

By Dale Parsley

Last week some hunters in Russia discovered a mummified looking body in a cave. Surprisingly, the man was still alive. He revealed that he was dragged into the cave by a bear, likely saving him for a future meal, leaving him with a broken spine and severe wounds. After being in the cave for a month, medical experts are amazed he is still alive and his prognosis looks good.

If you think about it, this story resembles the falling away and restoration of a Christian. Consider how:

1. He was by himself, unprotected. Just like the sheep who wandered away from the flock in Luke 15:1-7, so it is with the Christisn who leaves the church. 1 Peter 5:1-5, teaches that elders are shepherds of the local congregation; and when a brother removes himself from the flock, the care of the local congregation, as well as the Chief Shepherd, makes himself an easy target for the devil who is described a "roaring lion, seeking whom he may devour" (1 Peter 5:8); when he no longer assembles with the Saints (Hebrews 10:25), and lives for Christ.

2. His condition reminds us of the weary life of sin. With a broken spine, unable to move, starving and skin rotting, he appeared as one dead. When Jesus wanted to describe the terrible condition of a sinner, to Jews, he likened it to a Jew who joined himself to a pig farmer, living and eating with the pigs (Luke 15:15-16). Likewise, the Christisn who goes back into the world, last state is worse than the first (1 Peter 2:20-22). Trying to find meaning and joy without God, leads to a heart of worry, envy and pride, driven by various lusts, that brings no lasting satisfaction, filled with despair and misery.

3. The importance of restoring the erring. Alexander needed rescued, and by the help of others, he was taken to a hospital. In a similar way, James tells us, "My brothers, if anyone among you wanders from the truth and someone brings him back, (20) let him know that whoever brings back a sinner from his wandering will save his soul from death and will cover a multitude of sins" (James 5:19-20).

4. His recovery won't happen overnight. Once found, or even a day in the hospital, his complete restoration did not occur. Rather his recovery will take time and effort from himself and the assistance of others. Likewise, when a soul either decides to follow Jesus for the first time, or come back to Christ after a long time, his transformation will not happen immediately or even a day. Temptations and problems do not immediately disappear, but through the Lord's help (1 Corinthians 10:13), and others (Galatians 6:1-2), one who was once lost is now found (Luke 15:32; 19:10).

References: www.siberiantimes.com/other/others/news/man-lives-after-bear-breaks-his-spine-and-keeps-him-as-food-inside-den/?comm_order=best

Upcoming Events



Tonight– Birthday/ Anniversary Celebration after PM service. Everyone is welcome!

June 30-July 5th: WVCYC Senior Week

July 7th-July 12th: WVCYC Intermediate Week

July 14th-July 19th: WVCYC Junior Week

July 21st-July 26th: WVCYC All Ages Week

Congratulations!!

To Luke and Mary Katherine Camp on the birth of their daughter Allison Grace! She was born Friday at 8:14pm and was 7lbs 4oz, 18.5” long. Allison was taken to Children’s hospital in Columbus with a heart murmur. Mary Katherine hopes to be released sometime today. Congrats to grandpa Tom Becker and keep the family in your prayers!



Be anxious for nothing, but in everything by prayer and supplication, with thanksgiving, let your requests be made known to God. Phil. 4:6 nkjv



Prayer list

*Dick Hall has been moved to Cleveland Clinic.

*Jim Grove is having a heart cath this Tues.

*Paige Cook’s grandfather Bob Bradford suffered a stroke while in recovery and is in ICU-at Marietta Memorial.

*Condolences to the John Clovis family on his passing last week.

*Jean Nazelrod is home from the hospital.

Ruth Eddy, Fay Williams, Buzz Williams, Lorraine Dutton, Gerald Burns, Chuck Doyle, Ruth Eddy, Shirley Grubbs, Doug Petty, Bob Nally, Evelyn Hall, Louise Perkins, Scott Judge, Betty Bills, Jean Nazelrod, Charlotte Wilson, Dick Hall, John Rockhold, Colleen Kiester, Cindy Wilson, Geraldine Stewart, Gail Mote, Madeline McFadden, Chris Ball, Mike Fetty, Lisa Westbrook Smith, and Jim Williamson.

Church Sign:

July-Larry Butcher
August-Rodney & Debbie Ramsey

Schedule of Services

Sunday

Bible Class: 9:30 a.m.

Worship: 10:30 a.m.

“Prayer Meeting: 6:00 p.m.
1st Sunday of the month only”

Evening Worship: 6:30 p.m.

Wednesday

Bible Study: 7:00

June 30th

Morning Worship:

Announcements: Larry Butcher

Song Leader: Thomas Kessinger

Door Greeters:

Ushers/Monitors: Jesse Barnhart, Elmer Burns

Communion: Dave Lancaster, Connor Lancaster, Ethan Davis, Karson Elrod, Richard Davis

Reading and Prayer: Brian Mercer

Closing Prayer: Tom Becker

Evening Worship:

Communion: Melvin Truax

Prayer:

Closing Prayer:

Wednesday:

Song Leader: Thomas Kessinger

Prayer: Hal Powell

Closing Prayer: Clay Perkins

July 7th

Morning Worship:

Announcements: Clay Perkins

Song Leader: Clint Perkins

Door Greeters:

Ushers/Monitors: Elmer Burns, Don Archer

Communion: Larry Butcher, Tom Becker, Bill Dutton, Rodney Ramsey, Fred Arnett, Jason Cuzzen

Reading and Prayer: Darren Parks

Closing Prayer: Buzz Williams

Evening Worship:

Communion: Melvin Truax

Prayer: Brian Mercer

Closing Prayer: Caleb Parsley

Wednesday:

Song Leader: Clint Perkins

Prayer: Dave Parks

Closing Prayer: Connor Lancaster

Radio and TV Programs



Good News of Peace: Sundays: 8:00 AM on WRRR 93.9 FM

Gospel Broadcasting Network: Dish Network Channel: 9407 (noon); Direct TV Channel: 376 (7:30 AM)

In Search of the Lord’s Way: 7:30—Channel 4, Parkersburg; 7:30—Channel 15, Parkersburg; 8:00— Channel 7, Wheeling; 11:30—Channel 5, Clarksburg

