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AWAY FROM HOME

By Corey Sawyers

Why is it so hard for us to be the same people when we are away from home? We know what we are supposed to do. Yet so often we do not. We may not attend services as regularly. We may go to places we would not at home. We may dress immodestly. We may do all sorts of things we normally would not. After all, “No one will ever know, right?” Wherever we may roam it is the “What happens in Vegas stays in Vegas” mentality. Yet, God knows, right?

So, how do we remain what we ought to be when we are away from home? Daniel, a young man brought to a foreign country, and his three friends are good examples in Daniel 1. We need to act like we have the same accountability on the road as we do at home. Figuratively speaking there are 3 MINDSETS we must not leave home without...

First, A Trained Mind (1:3-4, 20)! Notice what this text is bookended with: wisdom and understanding possessed by Daniel. If we are going to be the right kind of people, at home or away, we have to know what God’s word says (Hosea 4:6-7). We must have more than just a fundamental understanding of the rules and regulations. We must mediate on His word, put it in our hearts, and ask God for wisdom in using it (Joshua 1:8)! It is essential we learn to discern wrong situations from right situations based on a knowledge of God’s word (Romans 12:1-2)!

Second, A Committed Mind (1:8)! Daniel made up his mind! The debate was already settled as far as Daniel was concerned. He would not go against what God had commanded! It is important that we make up our minds before we get into tempting situations (Joshua 24:15)! If we wait until temptations strikes, it may be too late. We might be overwhelmed by the pressure of others or our own desires (Romans 1:23ff).

Third, A Brave Mind (1:10-13)! The commander was scared to follow Daniel’s plan for fear of the consequences of the king. Conversely, Daniel was confident, bold, assertive and brave (II Timothy 1:7)! What do we fear? Being made fun of? Not being popular? Missing out on physical rewards? We must not be afraid of things that are so temporary. We must be “strong and courageous” (Joshua 1:6).

Imagine knowing no matter where we were, no matter what tragedy struck, we were ready to face the Lord! Imagine having that peace of mind and assurance. Could you face life easier? Imagine not having to live with the guilt, shame and cover-up that so many do? It is all possible when we choose to be Godly no matter where we are!

THEME FOR 2016: A FAITH THAT STANDS

LESSON TITLES

July 24: AM: Great Leaders Pray—How Daniel led through prayer
 PM: “Walking With Character” (Proverbs)

July 31: AM: Adam Currence preaching
 PM: Young Men’s Service - Alex Scarbrough and Garrett Sawyers preaching

SCHEDULE OF SERVICES

Sunday AM Bible Study-9:30am
 Worship-10:30am
 Sunday PM Worship-6:00pm
 Wednesday PM Bible Study-7:00pm

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 8:00am Good News Today-
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 7:30am Preaching the Gospel
 8:00am Good News Today

STATE OF THE YOUTH

Four Ways To Encourage Your Kids to Leave the Church

By Daniel Howell, Preacher in Sweetwater, TN

I'm never for doing anything halfway. So if you want your kids to leave the church when they leave your home, I've got a list for you. Here are four ways that you can contribute to your child's spiritual demise:

1. **Make other things a priority over church assemblies and functions.** Be sure that you are giving your child the impression that there are some things that are more important than assembling with the church if they are "big" enough. Be sure the church comes second to some things. These things include (but are not limited to) sporting events, vacations, family get-togethers, and even some forms of working. Only doing this occasionally is sufficient to get the point across to your child. Better yet, cut out Bible class entirely and only come for Sunday morning worship.
2. **Don't talk about God, Jesus, or the church** when you are at home or in the car. Keep your lips sealed when it comes to spiritual matters. Don't ask, and don't tell.
3. When you do talk, **be sure to complain and nitpick as much as possible.** Complain about the preacher, his sermons, the elders, the deacons, the singing, the song selection, the Bible class, the Bible class teacher, the Bible class materials, young kids, older people, and any other Christian who is different from yourself. Never give your child the impression that you are appreciative of the church, or that you respect those who serve it. Never be satisfied. Be sure to plant the seed of dissatisfaction in your child's mind.
4. **Indulge your child's immaturity.** Despite the fact that they have yet to develop a real concept of the value of a dollar, give them full control when it comes to their most valuable asset: their soul. Even though they might want to eat pizza and french fries for every meal, let them make every soul-affecting decision for themselves. If they don't want to do "it," don't make them do "it." This applies to all aspects of participation, including Bible class, worship, and even (for the boys) leading worship. Make attendance optional. For that matter, make everything optional, with no consequences.

Of course no Christian parent really wants to drive their child away from God and the church. But sometimes we do things that might inadvertently do just that.

I'm not saying that if you ever do one of the previous four things I mentioned that your kids are destined for Hell's fire. But what I am saying is that if you can catch yourself before you keep up some of those pitfalls then you will have a far better time helping your children to transition from being preteens, to being spiritually minded teenagers, and then to being faithful Christian adults. Consider the statement made in Psalm 127:4 (NKJV): "Like arrows in the hand of a warrior, so are the children of one's youth." Just as arrows need to be aimed well in order to have a chance of hitting their target, our children need to be "aimed" well in order for them to have a chance of "hitting the target" of righteous and faithful living, and ultimately Heaven.

Even though the possibility exists that you won't hit the "target" with your "arrows," you definitely won't get anywhere near the target if

you aren't at least taking careful aim at it. You have to at least try! Here are a few things to consider when it comes to making that aim:

1. **Matthew 6:33** – Be sure that the kingdom (the church) is really the first priority in your family life. Don't let other things become diversions that take you and your kids away from the church. Even missing or failing to participate a few times can set a precedent in your child's mind that's hard to change. You get bonus points if you take or encourage your children to go to Gospel meetings, singings, Summer Youth Series, Bible camp, and other such things.
2. **Deuteronomy 6:6-7** – Teach your children at every opportunity. A nature walk can become a discussion about Genesis. A ride home from baseball practice can become a lesson about always doing your best (cf. Ecc. 9:10). Mealtime can become Bible time. Take those opportunities to teach, as they are all around you.
3. **Philippians 2:14** – Don't complain. Just don't do it. There's no good reason for it. Complaining doesn't change anything, anyway. Only actually doing something changes things. Complainers often wait for others to do the changing, and inadvertently teach the principle of the "squeaky wheel" to their children. Don't be that person. Be a doer.
4. **Proverbs 22:6** – The word "train" in this verse means more than just talking to your kids about God. It literally means "to narrow," and also is translated as "dedicate" in other places besides this passage. Think about dedicating your child's path to the Lord, as well as "reining in" their immaturity. That's what it really means to train – to narrow the focus of your child's life to not just what they should do, but what they ought to do. There is a difference.

This is by no means an exhaustive list, nor does it cover every facet of raising your children to stay faithful. But I pray that you will take these words, and do some studying and praying on your own.

"Step up like a warrior, and aim those arrows to Heaven." You see, the reality is that there is one person who has more to do with a child's direction in life than any preacher, elder, youth minister, teacher, or coach: It's you, their parent. Step up like a warrior, and aim those arrows to Heaven.

-----Daniel Howell, via his internet blog at mdanielhowell.com

UPCOMING EVENTS

July 26: TN Safari Park Trip

3rd-6th graders: \$8 children/\$12 adults, bring money for lunch. Leaving at 9:00 A.M. and returning early afternoon. Anyone can come, sign-up sheet on youth bulletin board.

July 29

Night Out in Jackson
@ 4 P.M.

SUNDAY NIGHT GET-TOGETHERS

Game/Movie nights at the Currence Home after P.M. services

SUMMER YOUTH SERIES (Monday Nights)

July 25 Holladay Bus leaves 6:15 P.M.
August 1 Broad Street, Lexington Bus leaves 6:15 .PM.

GREETERS
July 31 Bob and Theresa Comer
August 7 Jerry and Reba Crouch

OUR ATTITUDE
Sunday AM Bible Study.....228
Sunday AM Worship.....298
Sunday PM Worship.....196
Wednesday PM Bible Study.....217
This week's contribution.....\$8192
Weekly Budget.....\$8472

BIBLE TRIVIA
A: Last Week's Trivia Answered: John, author of Revelation (Rev. 4:2) <i>Visions of God</i> Q: What did Isaiah see filling the temple when he beheld God sitting on his throne?

FOOD PANTRY
Cake Frosting, Canned chili w/meat, Pork-n-Beans, Soups, Cold cereal (Please place in the pantry pig)

FUTURE WORSHIP LEADERS
If unable to serve, please contact Lance Winders @ 336-2421. The Elders request that those leading in worship please wear appropriate clothing. We also ask that those reading scripture & preaching, please read from the KJV or the NKJV of the Bible.

SUNDAY A.M.	JULY 24	JULY 31
Announcements	Michael Williams	Michael Williams
Song Leader	Troy Buttrey	Daniel Williams
Opening Prayer	Aaron Hutson	Adam Killion
Scripture Reading	Gordon Sawyers	Harrison Hutson
Closing Prayer	Michael Williams	Steve Delaney
Lord's Supper		
Presiding	Steve Durham	Kelly Burke
East Side	Clay Durham Jeff Figurelli Jon Davidson Bobby Sadler	Patrick Peale Javan Winders Titus Winders Silas Winders
West Side	Charles Clark Bob Perry Bob Comer	Wes Knee Charlie Morton Blake Morton
Nursery	Dan Patterson	Ned Morris
Balcony	Jerry Peale Stan Wilson Bob Cloy	Bobby Barton Jeff Figurelli Caleb Griffin
Alternates	Ron Brown Jason Scarbrough Alex Scarbrough	Jimmy Wynn William Bucy Rayburn Thomason
Overhead Projector	Donald Drinkard	Donald Drinkard
SUNDAY P.M.	JULY 24	JULY 31
Song Leader	Troy Buttrey	YOUNG MENS'
Opening Prayer	Edwin Carrington	SERVICE
Scripture Reading	Philip Davidson	
Lord's Supper	Jerry Shobe	
Closing Prayer	Jerry Riggs	
WEDNESDAY	JULY 27	AUGUST 3
Song Leader	Zach Golson	Phillip Brown
Invitation	Jim Roberts	Bob Cloy
Closing Prayer	Tyler Starnes	Levi Dodd

KEEP THE FOLLOWING IN YOUR PRAYERS

Doug Summers: diagnosed with lymphoma. Moved to Jackson Regional Hospital. No visits at this time; 177 Woodbird Place / Paris

Elsie Bell: at Jackson Madison County Hospital Room # 881 for procedure on blocked bile duct; Benchmark HC, Rm. 103-2 P.O. Box 306, Puryear 38251

Jimmy Taylor: (Gina Ledsinger's brother in law) has early Alzheimer's dementia and is presently unresponsive as his life comes to a close.

Byron Ledsinger: (Landon Ledsinger's brother) has had complications after back surgery, with a clot in legs and lung. Gina requests prayers for the clots to be dissolved safely and for He, Susan (wife), (daughter) Jennie, as well as all the family concerned.

Pansy Henry: to have eye surgery, August 2nd, in Nashville; 135 Max Drive / Paris

Molly Harris: (Dan and Ann Patterson's daughter) suffers daily from chronic hives. Please keep in your prayers; 2605 Skyline Drive / West Paducah KY 42086

Joe Elkins: Paris Health Care room #127; 506 Country Club Drive / Paris

Mike Bryson: home; 85 Guthrie Road / Paris

Melvin Arnold: home; 390 Clifty Creek Road / Paris

THANK YOU

Your kind and thoughtful expression of sympathy is deeply appreciated and gratefully acknowledged My Dad (Elwood Maxwell) loved each of you very much. Thank you so very much for the food tray you sent. Daddy is in a better place and is not hurting anymore. In Christian Love, Paul, Stephanie, Morgan, Macy Maxwell

Sometimes there just aren't enough words to describe the appreciation. Thank you so much! Thank you for all the gifts, prayers, visits, and all the warm wishes of getting well through my illness. In Christian Love, The Bryson Family

Thank you so much for all the prayers, inquiries, cards and gifts for Mia. She doesn't have a port but is currently taking a pill every day. Please continue to pray for her. In Christian love, Randell and Carolyn & the Foster Family

Thanks for your words of encouragement, cards and prayers in the past. On Friday, the 29th, I will see a neurosurgeon who will place a stint near my aneurysm, behind the left eye. This will be done at St. Thomas. Keep me in your prayers, again, thanks. Janice Story

Dear Church Family, Thank you for the bud vase I received while in the hospital. Please keep me in your prayers. With Christian Love, Katherine Rawls

SYMPATHY

We extend our deepest sympathy to Rosa Hatcher, with the passing of her daughter, Sherry Johnson. Her services were this past Tuesday at the Ridgeway Funeral Home.

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ANNOUNCEMENTS

FIA Team 4: will meet in the multi-purpose room for finger foods. Jimmy and Laura Wynn to host, see Edwin Carrington for assignment.

Deacons Meeting: After P.M. service today.

Summer Youth Series: Monday, July 25, will be held at Holladay, bus leaves the building at 6:15 P.M. Lesson Entitled: "When Nobody's There" with speaker Bobby O'Dell.

TN Safari Park Trip: July 26 @ 9:00A.M. (see youth page)

Wednesday Night Summer Series: July 27; Speaker is Jim Roberts. Sermon entitled: "Even When I Feel Defeated" (Stephen).

Young Men's Service : Sunday night, July 31st, during P.M. service. Ice Cream Social to follow in Multi-pupose room.

Gospel Meeting: Blood River Church of Christ, Buchanan -July 24th-27th. Speaker: John Dale. Sunday-10:45 A.M.; Lunch - 12:30 P.M.; Afternoon - 1:30; Monday - Wednesday at 7 P.M.

ELDER'S CORNER

REMINDER: The elders welcome all newcomers. If you would like to be identified as a member here or if you have not had the opportunity to meet the eldership, the elders would like to meet with you briefly to introduce ourselves and to explain our position on certain issues and matters of doctrine.

DATES TO REMEMBER

August 1: Summer Youth Series@Broad St./ Lexington
August 7: Morningside Singing @ 2:00 P.M.
August 8: Summer Youth Series @ Atwood
August 14: Henry County Health Care Singing @ 2:00
August 20: Golden Years Banquet 4PM MPR
Youth Devotionals A.M. / P.M.
August 21: Eiffel Garden Singing @ 2:00 P.M.
August 28: Jonathan Smith & Brianna Sullins
Wedding Shower @ 2:00 P.M. MPR
September 5: OFFICE CLOSED Labor Day
September 4: Morningside Singing @ 2:00 P.M.
September 11: HC Health Care Singing @ 2:00 P.M.
September 18: Eiffel Gardens Singing @ 2:00 P.M.
Youth Devotional 3-6th gr. @ Hutson's
Youth Devotional 7-12th gr. @ Perry's

I WILL GIVE MY ALL

by Corey Sawyers

You probably know that as the Vols football team runs out of the locker room, each player slaps a sign. It simply says, "I will give my all for Tennessee today!" Slapping that sign affirms that is what they will do on that field - give their all. Christians are expected to give their all each day for the Lord. Notice Romans 6:12-13...

First, give your all to DEFEAT SIN (6:12-13a). We are a slave to whomever we obey. Lusts start in the mind, so decide sin is not the boss. The key is "REIGN" - an occasional sin is not reigning. Do not allow yourself to be accomplishing things to serve Satan.

Second, give your all to DEDICATED SERVICE (6:13b). Give yourself to God - totally. He has enlisted us into His service. So, develop the mindset of "I do not belong to me. I belong to Him!"

Third, give your all to DO SOMETHING (6:13c). Present your members to God! Our body parts must be used to build His kingdom and to destroy the works of Satan. We have to contribute to God's agenda.

If the Vols meet the expectations for this season, it will be because each and every man who slaps that sign takes seriously the charge to give their all for Tennessee. If we are to be what we should be, we must take seriously the charge God gives us in His word to give our all to Him!