

Safford Church of Christ

3888 S Hwy 191, Safford, AZ 85546

29 March 2015

Topics

A.M. Bible Class:

Our Lord's prayer (John 17:11f)

A.M. Lesson:

The whole will of God (Acts 20:25-28)

P.M. Lesson:

The Fulfillment of the Law (Matthew 5:17-20)

Wednesday:

Singing

Pulpit Evangelist

Ken Knowlton: 428-3494

Elders

Greg Briggs: 428-8756

John Cunningham: 428-0895

Sunday Bible Class	10:00 A.M.
Sunday Morning Worship	11:00 A.M.
Sunday Evening Worship	6:30 P.M.
Wednesday Evening Class	6:30 P.M.
Thursday Ladies Bible Class	11:00 A.M.

I was glad when they said to me, "Let us go to the house of the LORD!" Psalm 122:2

"I have not come to abolish..."

Lawrence O. Richards

"Do not think that I have come to abolish the law or the prophets. I have not come to abolish these things but to fulfill them. I tell you the truth, until heaven and earth pass away not the smallest letter or stroke of a letter will pass from the law until everything takes place. So anyone who breaks one of the least of these commands and teaches others to do so will be called least in the kingdom of heaven, but whoever obeys them and teaches others to do so will be called great in the kingdom of heaven. For I tell you, unless your righteousness goes beyond that of the experts in the law and the Pharisees, you will never enter the kingdom of heaven" (Matthew 5:17-20, NET).

Many have puzzled over Jesus' statement that he came to fulfill the Law and the Prophets. Christ speaks here as a Jew, dedicated as other rabbis of the first century to a single task: to explain the true meaning of God's words, and thus to "fulfill" them.

Yet Christ immediately sets himself apart from other teachers. The Pharisees were zealous in keeping both the written and oral law. But in explaining the real meaning of God's Word, Christ was about to reveal a righteousness that

"surpassed" any righteousness the Pharisees imagined they possessed through keeping the commandments.

As citizens of Jesus' kingdom, you and I are called to live a righteous life. But we must avoid the error of the Pharisees. We must not mistake true righteousness, or suppose that because we do certain things and refrain from others that we have reached spiritual heights. What we do is important, yes. But God is most concerned with what we are. *Devotional Commentary. Cook.*

AFTER EDEN

by Dan Lietha



News:

Joy Gibson is undergoing post-surgery cancer treatments.

Brian Miller, friend of Marc and Jen Cavasos, is not well.

Billy Martin requests prayers for her friend **Rose**. There will be an **ice cream** and general junk-food **social** at the church building on April 11 at 2:00 P.M. Bring cookies, ice cream and/or anything else you think will go well with ice cream.

Today is the **5th Sunday** contribution. The *worthy cause* the contribution will support is **Church of Christ Disaster Fund**.

Prayer List:

Joy Gibson—cancer treatments

Tatyana Knowlton—macular degeneration

Ken Cocke—back and shoulder pains

Janet Radar—nursing home

H.L. Boling—general health and complications from leukemia

Mike Cavasos—constant pain. Foot surgeries.

Sandy Cavasos—degenerative disk disease

Nic and Ani Self—health and personal needs

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APRIL 2015

Sunday	Monday	Tuesday	Wednesday	Thursday	Friday	Saturday
			1 April Fool's Day singing	2 Catalina Short Birthday	3 Good Friday	4 Passover Pete & Cindy Waller, Anniv.
5 Easter Inez Clendenen Birthday	6	7	8	9 Robin Richards Birthday	10 Louella Briggs Birthday	11 Ice cream party 2P.M. @ bldg Bible Bowl @ Kearny
12	13	14	15 Taxes Due	16	17	18
19 potluck Visit with Ed Curry	20 Verdell Kescoli Birthday	21	22 Earth Day Admin Assist Day Nic Self Birthday	23	24	25
26	27	28 Joy Gibson Birthday	29	30		