



“PATIENCE”

In Mt. 18:21-35, Jesus told about the servant whose gracious master forgave him a debt amounting to a vast sum of money. This servant proceeded to go out and beat a fellow servant unmercifully who owed him a smaller debt. Jesus said God will not forgive us our sins if we are not willing to forgive others. The story is a lesson in forgiveness, but it is also a lesson in patience — because forgiveness and patience are very closely tied together. Both patience and forgiveness are characteristics of true love. As Paul pointed out so beautifully in 1 Cor. 13:1-13, love imparts a steadiness and a stability to all that we do. Love makes it possible for us to endure considerable hardship without complaining or giving up. Because the loving heart is strong and stable; forbearing and longsuffering when others. Irritability, grudge-bearing, and the impulse to retaliate are failures of love. Imagine where we would be if God’s strong love had not held Him back from giving us what we deserve! We can be thankful He has been patient with us — forgiving us. Considering this, we ought to “**keep loving one another earnestly, since love covers a multitude of sins**” (1 Pt. 4:8). The longer we live the more we can look back and see how others were patient with us. In fact, it is somewhat embarrassing to recall situations in which those around us were being patient with us and we didn’t even realize it at the time. Some of these people may have passed on, and it not possible to thank them now. So let’s pay the debt forward and look for others to whom we can show the same kind of patience that has been shown to us. This week, let’s each try to concentrate on **patience**. Let’s meditate on the immensity of the patience God has demonstrated toward us, and let’s show our gratitude for His patience in our dealings with one another. Let’s remember that others have to be patient with our impatience! DP

STUDY AND REFLECTION

MONDAY: MATTHEW 7:1-5: Key Idea: Don’t expect more of others than we expect of ourselves. **Questions for Growth:** In this text, what does Jesus say is the wrong way to judge others? What does James mean when he says that “judgment is without mercy to one who has shown no mercy” (Jas. 2:13)? **Wisdom for the Day:** Proverbs 13:13,14.

TUESDAY: MATTHEW 18:21-35: Key Idea: Forgiveness is a part of patience. **Questions for Growth:** What did the servant do whose master forgave him a huge debt? What exactly does it mean to “forgive” someone? How often did Jesus say we should forgive another person? Should we be eager to forgive or reluctant? **Wisdom for the Day:** Proverbs 13:15,16.

THURSDAY: 2 TIMOTHY 2:24-26: Key Idea: In helping others means being gentle with them. **Questions for Growth:** In v.24, what does Paul say the servant of the Lord should not be? What does it mean to be “kind” (or “gentle”) with someone? According to Gal. 6:1,2, in what spirit should we deal with people who are struggling? **Wisdom for the Day:** Proverbs 13:18.

FRIDAY: 1 COR. 13:4-7: Key Idea: Patience is a part of loving others. **Questions for Growth:** Should we be short-tempered or long-tempered with other people? In v.5, what does the expression “is not provoked” (NKJV) have to do with patience? What does v.7 say about the way love behaves? **Wisdom for the Day:** Proverbs 13:19.

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WELCOME TO OUR FAMILY

We appreciate your willingness to worship God with us this Lord’s Day! If you would like more information about the Church of Christ, or if we may assist you in other ways, please let us know. **BECOME A MEMBER OF OUR FAMILY– *The Salisbury Church of Christ.***

****Please fill out a Visitor’s Card and place it in the collection plate****

ORDER OF OUR WORSHIP

ANNOUNCEMENTS & OPENING PRAYER

SONG # 541 – BLESSED ASSURANCE

SONG # 425 – MY FAITH LOOKS UP TO THEE

PRAYER

SCRIPTURE – LUKE 11:9-13

SONG # 31 – JESUS PAID IT ALL

LORD’S SUPPER

CONTRIBUTION

SONG # 523 – GOD SHALL WIPE AWAY ALL TEARS

SERMON: “GOD OUR FATHER” - Marc Lee

SONG # 876 – THERE’S POWER IN THE BLOOD

SONG # 383 – HAVE THIN OWN WAY

CLOSING PRAYER

NEWS, NOTES & PRAYERS

LET US PRAY FOR: Ken & Nancy Watson (lost daughter) Jimmy McMillon, Stella Reidy, Wilma Duke's mother (dementia), Jenn Striecker (cancer), Jack Callaway, Katie Gray, Flossie Hull, Barbara Kuykendall, John Tillman, Paul Marchesault, Marilyn Artis, Linda Alaban, Florence Tucker, the Jones/Dale family, the Gibson family, Larry Laten, Prince Ituen and all missionaries and military personnel serving overseas.

- **Ruth Banks** asked for prayers for Joy ElGates. She has severe medical conditions and is in the hospital. They do not know the cause yet.
- **Ida Laramore** Judy Willey's mother, was cleared not having cancer, however, she was diagnosed with congestive heart failure. Judy will be going to El Paso, TX, later this month. Please keep Ida, Judy, and the family in your prayers.
- **Geri Plourde** Doug's aunt, lost her battle to cancer. Please keep her husband, Joe, and the Plourde family in your prayers.
- **Janet Jones, the Kings, and the Dukes** are, or will be, traveling by the end of the month. Please remember all them in your prayers for safe travels.

MARK YOUR CALENDARS

JUNE 18 (Saturday) Family Night (Food, Devo, Games. Invite friends) 6:00 pm

JUNE 19 (Sunday) Preacher Swap

JUNE 26 (Sunday) Evangelism Meeting (15 minutes)

JULY 3 (Sunday)Pot Luck

RECORDS YOU HELPED MAKE LAST WEEK

Sunday Bible Classes: 17

Sunday AM Worship: 25

Wednesday Bible Class: 14

Contribution: \$3,178

Weekly Budget: \$1,948

THOSE WHO SERVE - SUNDAY, MAY 22, 2016

Announcements & Opening Prayer: Kevin Kronewitter

Song Leader/Closing Prayer: Roland Pepper

Main Prayer & Scripture: Ben Parsons

Lord's Supper: Herman Duke

SERMON PREVIEW

JUNE 19: "God Our Father" – Marc Lee

JUNE 26: "DO"

**Sunday Bible Study – 9:30 AM Sunday Worship – 10:30 AM
Wednesday Bible Study – 6 PM**

WEDNESDAY BIBLE STUDIES

Beginning Wednesday evening, June 29th, we will be studying the subject of **Typology**. What is *Typology*? Consider this thought: *The Old Testament is the New Testament **concealed**, and the New Testament is the Old Testament **revealed**.* Stated another way *Typology* is the study of Biblical comparisons made between persons, events, things, and institutions of one biblical period and those of another, most often between the Old Testament and the New Testament. *Typology* in Scripture serves to demonstrate the unbroken continuity in God's plan of redemptive history between the Old and New Testaments, and this alone should encourage us in our faith in God's Word of Truth and His trustworthy character (1Thess.5:24). The New Bible Dictionary has an interesting definition of *Typology* describing it as "A way of setting forth the biblical history of salvation so that some of its earlier phases are seen as anticipations of later phases, or some later phase as the recapitulation or fulfillment of an earlier one... In the NT the Christian salvation is presented as the climax of the mighty works of God, as the 'antitype' of His 'typical' mighty works in the OT. The Baker Encyclopedia of the Bible writes that typology is the, "Branch of biblical interpretation in which an element found in the OT prefigures one found in the NT. The initial one is called the **type** and the fulfillment is designated the **antitype** (Greek, **antitupon**). Either **type** or **antitype** may be a person, thing, or event, but often the type is Messianic and frequently refers to salvation.

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