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It is a group of Christians that claim no human denominational affiliation — just Christians working and worshipping together at the Lord's word teaches. If you need Christ as your Lord and Savior, we believe you will find him among the Christians at Valley Station.

Come and see.

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Gospel Meeting

Everyone Invited!

Lee Forsythe — the Speaker

April 15-20

10 a.m. & 7:30 p.m. (Monday thru Friday)

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Our meetinghouse is located at 1803 Dixie Garden Drive in the loveliest part of Louisville, Kentucky. It is right behind the Valley Station Post Office. There's a nursery for babies and plenty of parking places. You'll have no problem being seated and you will hear a fine man speak as the oracles of God each time he stands behind the pulpit.

Come early and often!



Little Things

“Who bath despised the day of small things?” (Zech. 4:10.) In the work of the Lord we should never undervalue the little things. Our God sees the sparrow fall and He has numbered the hairs of our heads. The one who gives a cup of cold water in the name of Jesus receives Heaven’s smile of approval and will be rewarded.

There are those who refuse to do anything because they are not able to do something great in the eyes of men. But when we remember that God is not asking for something great, that he is only asking that we do what we can, we should be greatly encouraged. We should not be ashamed of our ability even though it may be inferior to the ability of another. In the Judgment we shall be judged according to what we had and not according to what others had.

A successful, growing church is composed of many little things added together. A successful Gospel meeting is a combination of a number of little things. Any single one of these things would not constitute a successful church, but all of them together do. Any single stone will not make a house but many stones together will. One soldier cannot be an army, but many soldiers together can. You and I are stones in the Lord’s house and we are soldiers in the Lord’s army. You or I alone cannot do the work God has for the church to do, but we all together can. When each Christian says, “Such as I have I give,” then many little things become something great and powerful.

There is the tendency in a single person to feel that his part will not be missed. But one unsightly stone can mar the beauty of a building, and one soldier can by his failure bring tragedy to many others. Once upon a time all the residents of a certain little village were all invited to a great feast. Each one, according to the story, was to bring a bottle of pure wine. It was all to be poured into a huge barrel. One said to himself, “If I fill my bottle with water and empty it into the barrel, no one will notice.” But when the time came to draw off the wine, lo and behold, only water came forth. Each one had said to himself, “My contribution will not be missed . . . it is so small.”

One member of the church feels that his presence will not be missed on Sunday night. Another feels that he can stay away from the Bible classes on Sunday morning without hurting the church. Another thinks no one will miss him on Wednesday night. And when others feel the same way and **miss** the services, the power of the church to win souls is greatly diminished.

One thinks that he cannot give much in a financial way, and does not give much thought to that part of the worship. He does not plan his giving because to him it is small. When he, is out of town on a Lord’s Day, he makes no effort to see that his contribution is made at the home church nor does he try to make it up the following Lord’s Day. He thinks it will not be missed. But with many others feeling the same

way, over a period of time, many lost souls are robbed of ever hearing the Gospel.

Little things are important!

“Shamgar had an ox goad; Rahab had a string.
Gideon had a trumpet; David had a sling.
Samson had “a jawbone; Moses had a rod.
Dorcas had a needle; All were used for God.”



Worship is to be rendered only to God. It is sinful and destructive to the soul to offer it to any man. Jesus said to Satan, “Thou shalt worship the Lord thy God, and him only shalt thou serve” (Matt. 4:10). Peter refused the worship of Cornelius (Acts 10:25-26). So did an angel (Rev. 22:8-9).

A stated purpose for Christians to meet regularly is that worship may be offered to Almighty God through our Lord Jesus Christ. Jesus spoke to a woman from Samaria and said, “God is a Spirit: and they that worship him must worship in spirit and truth” (John 4:24)

In the gathering together of Christians in a local congregation, their collective worship consists of partaking of the sacred feast called “the table of the Lord” (1 Cor. 10:21). Singing praises to God, (1 Cor. 14:15), collective prayer and giving are also part of the worship of God (Acts 2:42). The early church, under the approval of the Lord, caused the word to be publicly read (1 Thess. 5:27).

Is the worship of God important? Indeed it is. Every Christian ought to worship God at every opportunity. Never neglect something that sacred. Will you worship with the saints this Sunday?

WHEN TO GET YOUR LIFE RIGHT WITH GOD

At an acceptable time I hearkened unto thee,
And in a day of salvation did I succor thee:
behold, now is the acceptable time; behold,
now is the day of salvation

- 2 Corinthians 6:2

