

“The Blessing of a Good Name”  
Proverbs 22:1

*“For I have no one like him, who will be genuinely concerned for your welfare. For they all seek their own interests, not those of Jesus Christ. **But you know Timothy’s proven worth**, how as a son with a father he has served me in the gospel.” (Philippians 2:20-22). “Therefore, brothers, pick out from among you **seven men of good repute**, full of the Spirit and of wisdom, whom we will appoint to this duty.” (Acts 6:3)*

- Proverbs 22:1:
  - **“A good name”** contextually, is having a good reputation among wise and righteous men. Those who understand righteousness Biblically.
  - **“A good name”** is to be pursued like someone who loves money pursues money.
  - **“A good name”** has greater value than the wealth of this world.
- *“A good name is better than precious ointment, and the day of death than the day of birth. It is better to go to the house of mourning than to go to the house of feasting, for this is the end of all mankind, and the living will lay it to heart.” (Ecclesiastes 7:1-2)*
  - A person who had **“a good name”** when remembered, will be a benefit, will be pleasant to those who think about his life.
  - Oftentimes those who lived a holy life, who lived for **“a good name”** will be honored more after their death, than during their life.
- *“The memory of the righteous is a blessing, but the name of the wicked will rot.” (Proverbs 10:7)*
  - We should want to live a useful life, a life that is eternally beneficial for those around us.
  - When remembered, we should want to be a sweet and blessed memory.
- *“Repay no one evil for evil, but give thought to do what is honorable in the sight of all. If possible, so far as it depends on you, live peaceably with all.” (Romans 12:17-18)*
  - We should want to live the kind of life that all men would find righteous, but especially holy men.
  - People’s evil towards us should make us more aware of how desperate they are for us to be holy in front of them.
- *“For we aim at what is honorable not only in the Lord’s sight but also in the sight of man.” (2 Corinthians 8:21)*
  - Our usefulness greatly depends upon our character. This is true with God and with the church and in society.
  - We are ambassadors of Christ; His gospel and His reputation have been entrusted to us.
- *“Keep your conduct among the Gentiles honorable, so that when they speak against you as evildoers, they may see your good deeds and glorify God on the day of visitation.” (1 Peter 2:12; cf. 1 Peter 2:15)*
  - Living according to the Word and the laws of society will silence (muzzle) the ignorance (willful) of foolish (senseless spiritually) people.
  - As we are examined by the world, God may use our behaviors to bring people to repentance.

**Announcements:**

★**DONATIONS:** Please see the June Newsletter for information about our Donation Collection for the Heartbeats Boutique.

★**FELLOWSHIP LUNCH:** We are having a Fellowship Lunch THIS Sunday, June 14th, immediately following the worship service. There is a sign-up list on the table in the Entryway, please sign up to bring something for the meal. We encourage everyone to plan on staying to enjoy the food and the fellowship with us.

★**CHURCH NIGHT OF PRAYER:** Our monthly Church Night of Prayer is THIS Sunday, June 14th, from 5:30-7pm. We invite and encourage you all to join us for this time of corporate prayer, as we pray for specific prayer requests within the Church Body. You are welcome to join us for a portion of this time or for the full time of prayer. There should be an index card in the pocket of the chair in front of you, unless you are sitting in the front row. We ask that you please take the time to write down some prayer requests on the index card and place it in the basket on the front table before you leave tonight!

★*For all other announcements, please see the June Newsletter!*