



Seymour Sayings

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Seymour Church of Christ
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He believed we
are worth it.



Person to Person . . .

Tom Miller



THE INDIVIDUAL

We like big numbers. “The bigger the better,” we think. We like big crowds, big contributions, and big results. We often speak of the corporate group. While I would not always argue against this propensity, I would warn against letting it dim our eyes to the importance of the individual.

Christ often focused on individuals. This is especially seen in the gospel of John. There was Nicodemus in John 3, the woman at the well and the nobleman in John 4, the crippled man in John 5, the woman taken in adultery in John 8, and the blind man in John 9. He spoke to crowds, but He did not ignore the individual. Every single person was important to Him and merited His time and attention.

In fact, though Christ died for the sins of the whole world, He died for me individually and for my personal sins. As someone has expressed it, “Had I been the only sinner in the world, Jesus would still have died, or I would have been eternally lost.”

Christianity is the religion of the individual. We become Christians as individuals (Acts 2:38). We worship God as individuals, though we may do it with a large group of people (cf. 1 Cor. 16:1-2). We have a responsibility to find our place in the body and serve individually (Eph. 4:16). We will face God in judgment as individuals (2 Cor. 5:10). In the preceding passages, phrases such as “every one of you,” “every joint . . . every part” or “each one” leap out at us.

The ramifications of focusing on the individual are far-reaching. We will seek to keep members from getting lost in the crowd or falling through the cracks. We will value every individual. We will not cater to one and neglect another. As teachers, we will teach people and not simply race through a lesson. We will rejoice whenever any sinner repents. We will not automatically think that bigger is better. We will realize our own value as individuals and do what we can do for the cause of Christ.

May God help us to develop the individual-mindedness of Jesus!

FAMILY MATTERS



PRAYER LIST—It was wonderful to see **Betty Summers** at church services last Sunday. Please continue to pray for her full recovery. . . . We rejoice to report that the mass in **Helen Curtis'** colon was not malignant. She is to have another procedure this week to see if it can be removed successfully. . . . **Lois Reeves** is still suffering with kidney stones. She is to have another attempt this week to crush and remove them. . . . **Matt Hopper** was not able to be at services last Lord's Day. He injured his back at work. . . . Jim Husband asks us to remember his neighbor, **Cody Mahon**, in prayer. He is a young man who has cancer. . . . **Barbara Husband** was not feeling well last Wednesday and unable to attend Bible class. . . . Prayers are also requested for **Rex Howard**, a member at Sevierville who had back surgery recently. . . . A number of our folks were traveling this past week because of Spring Break at area schools. We miss them all and pray for the safe return of everyone.

STATS FOR LAST WEEK—Bible Study, 32; Morning Worship, 53; Evening Worship, 35, Contribution, \$1,240; Wednesday Bible Study, 24.

ATTENTION, GRADUATES—**Deone LaFollette** and **Sierra Miller** will be preparing a bulletin board to honor our graduates. Please see that they get an invitation and picture from everyone as soon as possible.

ATTENTION, MEN—The **Men's Meeting** for May will be Sunday, May 4, at 4:30 p.m., so as not to conflict with Mother's Day on the 11th.

BACK PAGE—Not only does the back page have this list of those who are scheduled to serve this week, but there is a list of upcoming events at the bottom. Be sure to take note of them, too.



SERMONS FOR SUNDAY, April 27

A.M.— "Broken Pieces" (Luke 18:9-14)

P.M.— "Don't Neglect" (Galatians 6:1-5)

THOSE PRIVELEGED TO SERVE TODAY

	<i>Morning</i>	<i>Evening</i>
Announcements:	Tom Miller	Tom Miller
Song Leader:	Wayne Smith	Chris Bragwell
Bible Reader:	Chris Bragwell	
First Prayer:	Jeff Whitaker	John McBroom
Officiating at Lord's Table:	Ronnie McAbee	Rusty Curtis
Serving at Lord's Table	Damon Hall	
	Will Curtis, JC McBroom	
Closing Prayer:	John McBroom	Jim Husband

Wednesday: *Devotion, Jim Husband; Prayer, Rusty Curtis
Singing, Damon Hall*

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Services: Sunday—9:00 a.m., 10:00 a.m., and 6:00 p.m.

Wednesday—7:00 p.m.



- ✓ **Couples Group** at Tom & Sierra's tomorrow evening at 7:00 p.m.
- ✓ **Pancake Breakfast & Spring Cleaning** at the building on Saturday, May 3, beginning at 9:00 a.m.
- ✓ **Men's Meeting** Sunday afternoon, May 4
- ✓ **Gospel Meeting at Asbury** May 4-7 with Richard Bentley from Clinton.
- ✓ **Tennessee Smokies Baseball Game** May 31.
- ✓ **Reception for our Graduates** June 1.
- ✓ **Gospel Meeting at Seymour** June 8-11 with Sam Bartrug from McConnelsville, OH.