



# *Seymour Sayings*

The Weekly Bulletin of the

*Seymour Church of Christ*

Meeting at 269 Business Park Lane  
Seymour, TN 37865

**July 25, 2021**

A photograph of a sandy beach with a path leading to the ocean under a blue sky with white clouds. The text is overlaid on the image.

***Do not be overcome  
by evil, but  
overcome evil with  
good.***

Romans 12:21

# *Person to Person . . .*

*Tom Miller*



## CONFORMED OR TRANSFORMED?

On a recent “That’s a Good Question” video podcast, I answered a question about Lot’s tragic decision to take his family to live in Sodom. The question dealt specifically with Lot’s offer to give his two virgin daughters to a depraved mob, which was asking him to send out two guests that were in his home so that they might have their way with them.

There is no way to justify his behavior. If you’re interested, you can read all about it in Genesis 19, or you can look it up on our Facebook page and listen to my answer.

As I read the account in Genesis, I realized that much worse than Lot’s being in Sodom was that Sodom was in him and his family.

Romans 12:2 says, **“And do not be conformed to this world, but be transformed by the renewing of your mind, that you may prove what is that good and acceptable and perfect will of God.”**

God calls us to be transformed and not conformed. That’s easier said than done, however. The world’s pressure on us to conform to its way of thinking and acting is both real and strong.

As Romans 12:2 says, we can be transformed when we renew our minds, i.e., when we start thinking as we should. That’s why Philippians 4:8 says, **“Finally, brethren, whatever things are true, whatever things are noble, whatever things are just, whatever things are pure, whatever things are lovely, whatever things are of good report, if there is any virtue and if there is anything praiseworthy—meditate on these things.”**

Stay out of Sodom. Change your thinking. Be transformed and not conformed.

## FAMILY MATTERS



**PRAYER LIST**—Chris Wentworth continues confined to bed and under hospice care. Please remember her in your prayers regularly. . . . **Michael Bagwell** is in LeConte Medical Center. No visitors at this time. His dad, Chris, requests prayers. . . . We announced that **Amber Gibson**, Tim Wheeler’s niece, had suffered a stroke. It turned out to be a reaction to her seizure medication. . . . The Darrell Whitakers request prayers for a great niece, **Peyton Anderson**, who is one year old. She had a severe reaction to some medication recently and was seen at Children’s Hospital. . . . Marie Caprani asks us to continue to pray for two-year-old **Brekyn Barrs**. He is hospitalized in Winston-Salem with viral pneumonia. He had a little bit of a backset last week. . . . Ronnie Williamson, one of our viewers who lives in Kentucky, asks that we add his cousin, **Chris Ratcliff**, to our prayer list. Chris has lung cancer.

**FOR THE RECORD**—Sunday Bible Study, 41; Morning Worship, 60+9; Evening Worship, 19; Contribution, \$3,514; Wednesday Bible Study, 22+5 (*The + number is for those on line.*)

**TEENAGE CHRISTIAN CAMP**—Five of our young folks just enjoyed a week at Teenage Christian Camp. They are **Katie Cronin, and Anthony, Tristan, Timmy, and Bella Wheeler**.

**PLEASE READ MATTHEW 5-7**—In preparation for our evening services, please read the Sermon on the Mount in Matthew 5-7.

**CONGRATULATIONS TO ANTHONY WHEELER**—Tim Wheeler called me last Thursday evening to say that he was on his way to TCYC to baptize **Anthony**. Anthony has been struggling with his faith recently. Thankfully, he come to the place where he desired to be rebaptized and to begin living for Jesus again. Please keep him in your prayers.



### **SERMONS FOR SUNDAY, July 25**

A.M.—”Church Reset”  
Ephesians 3:8-11

P.M.— “Happy Poor People”  
*Matthew 5:3*

## THOSE PRIVELEGED TO SERVE TODAY

	<i>Morning</i>	<i>Evening</i>
Announcements:	John McBroom	John McBroom
Song Leader:	Bob Adair	Bob Adair
Bible Reading:	Darrell Whitaker	
Opening Prayer:	Rusty Curtis	Jeff Cronin
Preside at Lord's Table:	Brian Lane	Brian Lane
Serving at Lord's Table:	Chris Bragwell, Sam Martin	
	George Benjamin, Jeff Whitaker	
Closing Prayer:	Tim Wheeler	Jeff Whitaker

*Wednesday: Singing, Chris Bragwell; Prayer, John McBroom  
Devotional, Jeff Whitaker*

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#### **Elders:**

Rusty Curtis  
Brian Lane  
John McBroom

#### **Deacons:**

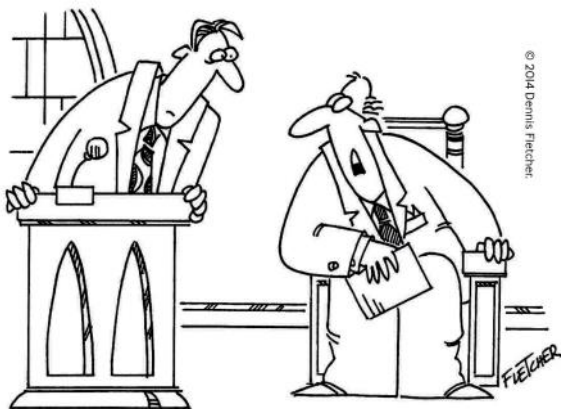
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*Services: Sunday—9:00 a.m., 10:00 a.m., and 6:00 p.m.*

*Wednesday—7:00 p.m.*



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