



Seymour Sayings

The Weekly Bulletin of the

Seymour Church of Christ

Meeting at 269 Business Park Lane
Seymour, TN 37865

December 18, 2016

THIS IS BILL

**WHEN BILL HEARS SOMETHING
HE DOESN'T LIKE IN A SERMON,
HE DOESN'T GET MAD AND LEAVE.**

**HE STUDIES THE BIBLE
TO SEE IF, PERHAPS,
HE WAS MISTAKEN.**

BE LIKE BILL



**CHURCH MEN
COMMITTEE**

Person to Person . . .

Tom Miller



ABOUT THE PICTURE ON THE FRONT PAGE

The picture on the front page is a meme. I must admit that was not a familiar term to me. I'm not very internet savvy, so I looked up the definition. A meme is "a humorous image, video, piece of text, etc. that is copied (often with slight variations) and spread rapidly by internet users.

"Bill" has been making the rounds on the internet. In the example on the front page, he is making a point about listening to sermons and especially about what he should do when he hears something he doesn't understand or agree with.

I think you know that I take what I do in the pulpit very seriously. I believe it is a heavy responsibility to stand before an audience and preach the Word. When I say something, I believe it to be true. It comes from many years of studying the Bible. Though I recognize my fallibility, I would never knowingly take any position or say anything that I thought to be wrong.

Just as I have a responsibility to preach the truth, the whole truth, and nothing but the truth, every listener has a responsibility, too. That responsibility is to listen carefully and to always measure everything by the Word.

The Bereans are an example of this. Though listening to Paul, they "received the word with all readiness, and searched the Scriptures daily to find out whether these things were so" (Acts 17:11).

I will keep on studying diligently, and I will keep on preaching the Word as lovingly as I know how. I ask that you keep on listening carefully and checking what I say by God's perfect standard. If you ever disagree, let's talk. I might be wrong, or you might be wrong, but God's Word is always right!

FAMILY MATTERS



PRAYER LIST—**Matt Hopper** was not feeling well last weekend. . . . Kenny Brown’s co-worker, **Jason Di-al**, had another seizure this past week. This one was at the doctor’s office. Prayers are requested. . . . Lynn Whitaker’s cousin, **Ernie Summers**, remains hospitalized in North Carolina. He is battling an addiction. . . . **Heather Fleenor** asks us to pray for her as she goes through a very difficult time in her life.

LAST WEEK’S STATISTICS THAT SHOW OUR DEVOTION—Bible Study, 37; Morning Worship, 57; Evening Worship, 39; Contribution, \$1,594; Wednesday Bible Study, 54.



- ✓ December 18 (today), **Ladies’ Meeting @ 5 p.m.**
- ✓ December 31, **New Year’s Eve Party**, beginning at 7 p.m. Bring finger foods and a “while elephant” gift.
- ✓ January 1, **Youth Lock-In** following evening services. Tim Wheeler has asked that we provide finger foods for this event.

SERVICES NEXT SUNDAY—Next Sunday, which is Christmas Day, we will have our regular morning services (Bible Study at 9 a.m. and Worship at 10 a.m.). We will not, however, have an evening service.

ATTENTION, YOUNG PEOPLE—There is a form on the bulletin board to sign up for CYC. Please do so by next Sunday.

NEW DIRECTORY—We are in the process of printing a new directory. If you have not filled out one of the forms with pertinent information, please do so as soon as possible. The forms are on the table in the foyer. Please return the finished form to Tom or Sierra Miller. Thank you for your cooperation.

*“Forgiveness is to set a prisoner free,
and to discover that prisoner is you” (Lewis Smedes).*



SERMONS FOR SUNDAY, December 18

A.M.— “Understanding Forgiveness” (Ephesians 4:31-32)).

P.M.— “Misunderstanding Forgiveness” (Luke 17:3-4)).

THOSE PRIVELEGED TO SERVE TODAY

	<i>Morning</i>	<i>Evening</i>
Announcements:	Jeff Whitaker	Jeff Whitaker
Song Leader:	Will Curtis	Will Curtis
Bible Reading	Alex Robinson	
Opening Prayer:	John McBroom	Chris Bragwell
Preside at Lord's Table:	Rusty Curtis	Rusty Curtis
Serving at Lord's Table	<i>Nate LaFollette, Anthony Wheeler Isaiah Wheeler, Joseph Wheeler</i>	
Closing Prayer:	Jeff Whitaker	Kenny Brown

Wednesday: *Singing, Alex Robinson Prayer, Jim Husband
Devotional, Rusty Curtis*

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

Wednesday—7:00 p.m.

