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Chris Moore

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Terry Chapman (A.M.)

James Pilgrim (P.M.)

Closing Prayer

John Hopper (A.M.)

Rickey Loveless (P.M.)

Lord's Table

Bobby Bridges

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Michiel Criswell & Jimmy Vandygriff

Wednesday Night Song Leader

Brock Lindley (07/31/24)

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Sunday Bible Study: 93

Sunday Morning Worship: 110

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WHAT MUST I DO TO BE SAVED?

1. **Hear** the Gospel (Romans 10:13-17).
2. **Believe** the Gospel (Acts 15:7; Mark 16:15, 16).
3. **Repent** of Sins (Acts 3:19).
4. **Confess** Faith in Christ (Acts 8:37).
5. **Be Baptized** for Remission of Sins (Acts 2:38).
6. **Be Faithful** (Revelation 2:10).



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CUSSING COACHES

By Mark Lindley

I have often thought about the challenges of coaching sports. Coaches are often scrutinized and criticized for the many tough decisions they make. I'm sure it is a difficult job.

However, all jobs have pros and cons. Regardless of one's occupation, there will be good days and days when we feel as if we should quit. I have observed that on "bad days," many coaches begin using foul, profane language when players do not perform up to the coach's standards. I have no particular coach or coaches in mind in writing this article, but if you go to a lot of ballgames, you know what I mean. I'm sure a lot of parents, grandparents, and even players feel that the use of profanity is offensive, rude, and disrespectful.

No one is perfect. We all say and do things we shouldn't do (cf. Romans 3:23). However, this does not give coaches a "free pass" to use obscene and filthy language. Here are reasons coaches should not use profanity:

1) It doesn't work. If using God's name in vain, and yelling "four-letter" words would help players perform better, some coaches would never lose. Most teams want to win. Screaming obscenities to "encourage" players to perform better makes no sense because it doesn't work. Often, the coach who is known for his/her foul mouth is a losing coach.

2) It demonstrates a lack of self-control. The Bible teaches that we are to be self-controlled and to exercise temperance (Galatians 5:22-23; II Peter 1:5-6). If a coach cannot discipline himself to avoid using profanity, how can that coach expect the players to be disciplined?

3) The Bible explicitly condemns it: "Let no corrupt communication proceed out of your mouth, but that which is good to the use of edifying, that it may minister grace unto the hearers" (Ephesians 4:29).

4) It sets a bad example for the players. Young people have enough peer pressure from the world. Shouldn't coaches show more maturity, leadership, and moral character than to set such a poor example for their players?

5) It is not honorable and shows disrespect for others who have been taught not to use such language. Parents, grandparents, and players have more respect for coaches who show honor and integrity, regardless of the score, than for those who throw cussing fits.

Some might object: "You have no experience coaching, so you have no right to speak about the conduct of coaches." My response: Neither do I have any experience as a thief, but I know stealing is wrong. I have no experience as a murderer, but I know murder is wrong.

I can't think of anything good that comes from cursing on the court or field? Can you?

Weep with Those Who Weep Aaron Veyon

Sorrow is an unfortunate companion in this life. Oh, there are occasions when it turns out to be an indispensable friend, if it is a sorrow that leads the sinner to repentance (2 Cor. 7:10). Yet, as simple everyday life goes, sorrow can be a bitter pill. Let's face it, wherever disappointments, discouragements, and death exist, tears will be there. The wise man Solomon once said, *"To everything there is a season, a time for every purpose under heaven: A time to be born, and a time to die... a time to weep... a time to mourn..."* (Eccl. 3:1- 2, 4). Sooner or later, it is the fate of us all.

When such a time confronts us, we are immediately burdened by it; yet there is not a worse sense of despair or hopelessness than to have to face that burden alone.

We all need a shoulder to cry on once in a while. Job 2:11-13 records that Job had three friends who came to comfort him after the devastating loss of his children and possessions. It says that they *"lifted their voices and wept" and that "they sat down with him on the ground seven days and seven nights, and no one spoke a word to him, for they saw that his grief was very great."*

I think one of the most touching stories I've ever read on the subject of grief and sorrow was one told by Leo Buscaglia about a four-year-old boy and his next-door neighbor (an elderly gentleman who had recently lost his wife). Upon seeing the man cry, the little boy went into his neighbor's yard, climbed onto his lap and just sat there. When his mother asked him what he had said to the neighbor, the little boy said, "Nothing, I just helped him cry."

Herein lies a lesson. When another's eyes *"waste away with grief"* (Ps. 31:9) there is but one thing to do: *"weep with those who weep"* (Rom. 12:15).

UPCOMING EVENTS

YOUTH NIGHT

AUGUST 25TH AT 5 PM

Fellowship Meal will follow.

Be Patient Until Victory

By David Bragg

Virginia was born into an upper-class family in Baltimore and educated in elite schools where she studied French, Italian, and German. While working as a clerk for the American Embassy in Warsaw, Poland she was involved in a shooting accident that led to the amputation of her left leg.

With the invasion of France by Germany, Virginia Hall began her spy work in France to build a resistance force to augment the Allied forces they hoped would arrive. Patiently she labored undercover and amid scrutiny of enemy forces. After months of effort her ring of supporters was compromised by a Nazi spy. Many were arrested and killed. Virginia barely got out alive.

Still, she was determined to return to France, which she was eventually allowed to do. This time she worked with greater caution (and at great risk to her life and health) patiently built a new network of resistance which many historians have said helped change the course of WW II (www.npr.org).

We can so easily be guilty of using a watered-down version of "patience." It may be nothing more than sitting in stalled traffic or being stranded on hold, again, on an important phone call. Patience, in the New Testament, involves a determination to weather sacrifice and suffering to attain a worthwhile goal: eternal life with God in Heaven. With that goal in sight, patience is needed until victory is realized.

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Remember count your blessings, pray for our lost ones, the sick, the world and the broken-hearted.

SICK SUNDAY: Larry & Wilma Wood, Janie Chapman,

SURGERY: Cameron Jumper

HOSPITAL: Sarina Tigrett - Parents: Kane & Anna (LeBonhuer- heart. 6 months old)

EXTENDED ILLNESS: Wilma Wood, Joanie Kate Reese, Lori Chapman, Garrison Coats, Joe Clark, George Doss, Thad Berryman, John Walker Perry, Juanita Michael

CANCER: Billy Gross, Wade Carmichael, Tiny Willis, Dorothy Hopper (John's Mother) Billy McBryde (Rita Smith's Father), George Doss (Kelly Brewer's Father), Ralph Shaw (Janie Chapman's Son-in-law), Loxlee Eaton, David South, Eddie Mauney, Haley Loveless, Sidra Davis, Tish Clark, Kevin Clifton, Austin Wentz, Betty Faye Ledbury

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