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**Visitors welcome:** Thank you for visiting with us today. If you have any questions about the bible or our service, please feel free to ask questions after service.

**Continued prayer requests:** Sister Ceil Ellis, Sister Sue; Brother Henry; Sister Vernelle; Sister Fannie Kelley; Sister Diane Wortman, Brother Smith and Sister PeeWee, Sister Emily, Brother Vince, Sister Jeanette, Brother Sullivan.

**Prayer requests from Last Lord's Day:** Brother Butler for sin and for his wife's health and for patience; Sister Diedra thanked the church for travel prayers, also for sin, and to control anger; Sister Geronica for sin; Sister Sharon for sin, and for being late also for her health and her family; Sister Felicia for sin, and for missing Friday, also for being late, and for her health, and for x-rays she needs to have; Brother Vince thanked the church for prayers, and for his health, for strength, and for his wife that she will come back to church; Sister Freeman for sin and strength, also for her neighbor for the loss of son, also for traveling next Sunday; Sister Hilda thanked the church for prayers, for sin, and for her health; Sister Ceil for sin and for Dave who is at work, Netta and Leandre who are out of town; Sister Raina for sin; Sister Jennifer for Rashaud who had to work, and that she has to work today and will miss evening service. Brother Jeremiah for sin; Brother Derrick for sin; Brother Will for strength for decisions made.

#### **Announcements**

- The Southside Church of Christ is also hosting a Gospel Meeting October 29 to November 1. Get Out of Your Wilderness (Hebrews 3:19). Mon-Wed services begin at 7PM.
- The area wide singing will be held today at 2:30 pm in Eloy.
- The next Fundamental Friday class will be November 3 at 7 pm. Meal provided
- The First Sunday Singing/Total Day will be in Eloy on November 5, 2023. Team 2 is responsible for service/clean up this day.
- Men's training class and Ladies Bible Class will be November 12 at 2:30 pm
- Eloy Church of Christ will be hosting a blood drive on Saturday November 11th. The focus of this drive is to support patients suffering from sickle cell anemia. You can sign up by scanning the flier QR Code or Participation sign-ups will be made available in the next week. For questions, see Brother Stuart
- The Eloy congregation would like to resume the annual clothing giveaway to support the community's need and provide an opportunity to evangelize. If anyone is interested in participating, please contact Brother Stuart or Sister Betty.
- Members, please email the mail addresses of delinquent members to Brother Williams so an effort can be made to bring these souls back to the Body before it is everlasting too late. Brother Williams email is [eddietrustgod@yahoo.com](mailto:eddietrustgod@yahoo.com)

- There are copies of the sermons available upon request. There is no charge for them.

***\*\*John 13:34-35 A new commandment I give unto you, That ye love one another; as I have loved you, that ye also love one another. By this shall all men know that ye are my disciples, if ye have love one to another\*\****

**Memory verse leader this week: Derries Scott ~ Proverbs 2:1-5 (KJV)**

***1 My son, if thou wilt receive my words, and hide my commandments with thee; 2 So that thou incline thine ear unto wisdom, and apply thine heart to understanding; 3 Yea, if thou criest after knowledge, and liftest up thy voice for understanding; 4 If thou seekest her as silver, and searchest for her as for hid treasures; 5 Then shalt thou understand the fear of the LORD, and find the knowledge of God***

**Memory verse leader next week: Derrick Scott ~ 1 John 2:1 (KJV)**

***1 My little children, these things write I unto you, that ye sin not. And if any man sin, we have an advocate with the Father, Jesus Christ the righteous:***

## **MINISTER'S NOTES**

***Proverbs 2:2 ~ So that thou incline thine ear unto wisdom, and apply thine heart to understanding;***

Listening and loving, submission and passion are keys to wisdom and understanding. Are you willing to pay the price? Solomon listed personal qualifications needed to learn wisdom, and the two in this verse are submission and passion (Pr 2:1-4). Will you turn your ear to hear correction and instruction? Will you engage your ambition to pursue it?

What is it to incline your ear unto wisdom? It means to submit to the verbal instruction of others. Most will not do this. They are too proud to listen to others, too set in their ways to change, too busy to take the time for it, and too lazy to concentrate on a verbal lesson. They will not submit by turning their ear to hear and obey instruction from another.

What is it to apply your heart to understanding? It means to love learning, truth, and wisdom more than any other pursuit. Your heart holds your affections, and you must set your affections on things above, on understanding and wisdom (Pr 8:17; Col 3:2). God has promised He will be found by those who seek Him with their whole heart (Jer 29:13).

Consider Stephen's harsh and sober words to his generation. He cried, "Ye stiff-necked and uncircumcised in heart and ears, ye do always resist the Holy Ghost: as your fathers did, so do ye" (Acts 7:51). Notice! They had closed both heart and ears to the truth. They had violated both parts of this proverb. Reader, are you willing to incline your ear and apply your heart to the wisdom of Jesus Christ? If not, you will remain a fool.