

Paying Attention To The Little Things

By Roy Smalling

Every time you go swimming in the ocean, we've been warned to watch out for sharks, but no one has ever said to me, "Watch out for the jelly fish." The fact is, jelly fish are far more dangerous. Each year they kill more people than sharks do.

We tend to spend our lives worrying about the sharks (whether we ever go near the water or not), because sharks are big and scary. And we tend to ignore real threats because, by themselves, they're not all that intimidating. Don't let the little things in life fool you. You ignore them at your own peril.

Every good marriage Every good employee Every good business succeeds because they've learned to pay attention to the little things.

Jesus told a story about a servant who was given some money to manage, and because he managed it well, he was rewarded by his master. The master said, "You have been faithful in handling a small amount, so now I will give you many more responsibilities" (Matt 25:21).

Our greatest wins and losses in life result from our ability to master the seemingly minor details of life. For example: Reading a few verses of Scripture and spending some time in prayer each day may not seem significant to some, but its long-term effect is revolutionary. Making the effort to bite your tongue may not seem that important, but in the long run, it could save a relationship. Giving a customer a little extra attention, might not seem like such a big deal, but it could pave the way to our next promotion.

Don't give the sharks more attention than they deserve – especially at the cost of ignoring the jelly fish. It's the little things that hold us back, and the little things that move us forward. They're our greatest danger and our most powerful weapon.



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Sunday Morning Bible Classes - 9:30 AM
Sunday Morning Worship - 10:30 AM
Sunday Evening Worship - 5:00 PM
Wednesday Evening Classes - 6:00 PM.

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Welcome Visitors

If you are seeking a church home, we hope that you will consider joining with us. We are a growing congregation, dedicated to worshipping in truth and spirit. Please fill out the Visitor's Card and place it in the collection plate!

Elders:

Todd Chapman
Paul Simpson

Deacons:

Wayne Fowler David Garris
Billy Granger Buddy Hollis

Preacher:

Don Delukie

Those to Serve

Today

Announcements- Paul Simpson **Lord's Table-** Gary Harris
Opening prayer- Rick Cook **Closing Prayer-** Luke Chapman

August 21st

Announcements- Lyle Russell **Lord's Table-** Larry Randolph
Opening prayer- Ronnie Hayes **Closing Prayer-** Damien Miller

Announcements

—**Question & Answer Series: September 4th** will be our next Question and Answer Series. Please submit your questions via the church email address SCOC2006@att.net or to Don.



Please Pray For:

Benny D Freeman, Sadie Kate Scharf, Matt Scharf, Roy McDonald, Sharon Ross, Lisa Guice, Eloise Smith, Joanne Randolph, Virginia Cook, Brian Wilson, Larry Field, Stephanie Judd, Kathrine Hebert, Terry Hebert, Arlene Sumner, Ed Haltom.

Bereaved: Families of Bill Guraedy, Trey Jennings, Mary Virginia Jones, Mary Robertson, Connie Grenfell.

Continue to Pray For:

Shirley Goodwin, Bobby Barker, Cindy Eaton, Tricia Muse, Donna Head, Debra Mike, Virginia Royal, Renita Thomas, Elizabeth Hollis, Cyndi Powell, Heath Ray, Terrance Dawson, Ann Bolden, Jamie Ross, Charlie McDaniel Jr, Lewis Bedele, Adam White.



August Birthdays

- 2 - Lisa Guice
- 2 - Larry Silmon
- 4 - Brenda Fricke
- 6 - Sandy Van Loon
- 8 - Travis Rodgers
- 20 - Leo Goodwin
- 30 - David Garris

August Anniversaries

- 3 - Paul and Wanda Simpson
- 13 - Jerry and Joyce McDonald
- 14 - James and Lorene Johnson
- 20 - Wes and Whitney Chapman

