



Times of Worship

- Sunday Bible Classes:** 9am
- Sunday AM Worship:** 10am
- Sunday PM Worship:** 5pm
- Wednesday Bible Study:** 7pm

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Church Website:

<https://www.westfayettechurchofchrist.com/>

YouTube Channel:

<https://www.youtube.com/channel/UCGckN8D9NwwX3KUuQ4GRKyA>

Interested in a Bible Study?

Please send an email to patcawthon@gmail.com

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They Can't Live It

Many who have never entered the Lord's service explain their hesitancy with the words, "I'm afraid I just can't live it." We usually try to quell their fears, but the truth is they can't live it, for their concept of what it is they are trying to live is a completely false concept.

Consider the man whose wife became a Christian. He was sure she couldn't "live it." He watched her carefully, and sure enough, one day under considerable stress, she lost control, yelled at the children, and said some things a Christian ought not to say. "If she were a Christian," the man thought, "she wouldn't talk like that; I knew she couldn't live it." On another day the preacher came around, and in reaction to something someone said, he turned a bit red, although he otherwise controlled his temper. But the man saw that tinge of redness, and immediately concluded, "That preacher can't live it either." He eventually observed faults in other Christians, and finally concluded that none of them could "live it," that the whole church was a bunch of hypocrites. Of course he never even tried, for he knew his

Week of June 11 Attendance

- ✦ **AM Service** - 51
- ✦ **PM Service** - 24
- ✦ **Wednesday** -

Contribution

- ✦ Weekly Budget \$2,400
- ✦ Contribution - \$2,726

Upcoming Birthdays and Anniversaries

- ✦ Patrick and Misty (6/20)
- ✦ Seth Ferguson (6/21)
- ✦ JoAnn Hanchet (6/22)
- ✦ Michael and Susan (6/22)
- ✦ Tom Hadley (7/3)
- ✦ Katie Scott (7/5)

Calendar Items

Women's Bible Study on
Tuesday at the building at 11a

Song Learning Class next
Sunday at 4pm at the Building

Men's Meeting at 4pm on June
25th at the building

Today's Lessons

- ✦ **AM Sermon** - Fill In The
Gap
- ✦ **PM Sermon** - 2 Samuel 21

weaknesses all too well. He knew he couldn't "live it."

Poor man! He thinks that the Christian life is a life of perfection; that all "Christians" fall into one of two categories: either they are perfect or they are hypocrites. He knows he can't live up to perfection, to the standards he has set for others, and is thinking with an almost self-righteous attitude, "One thing about it, Preacher, I'm not going to be a hypocrite."

But there is pardon for the sincere Christian's imperfections. "If anyone sins, we have an Advocate with the Father, Jesus Christ the righteous" (**1 John 2:1**). And that Christian who sincerely strives to live for the Lord, and daily seeks His forgiveness, though he should have a thousand weaknesses, is no hypocrite. There are hypocrites in the church, and we offer no defense in their behalf. But weaknesses do not necessarily imply hypocrisy.

Let the faithful Christian, then, not be intimidated by the constant charge of "hypocrites in the church." And let the sinner forget about living "it," if by "it" he means perfection, and let him come to Christ, through whom he can go to heaven.

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