



# And Also With You

MID-MARCH 2016

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## MARCH

### SUNDAYS

10:00 am  
Worship  
(nursery provided)

### MONDAYS

10:45AM  
INTERCESSORS  
706-897-6381  
6:30pm-Graham  
Cooke Group-  
Information: 455.5940

### WEDNESDAYS

10:30 am  
Women's Bible  
Study-Information:  
990.2973

### FRIDAYS

8:15 am  
Men's Group-  
Information:  
751-5266

## CHALICE BEARERS

**March 20**  
**Palm Sunday**  
Maggie Rockett  
Susan Jones

**March 27**  
**Easter**  
Janic Terry  
Kitty Barksdale

**April 3**  
Jane and Bob  
Grafe

**April 10**  
Becky Johnson  
Jan Bogue

## Be Careful What You Call God!



The Rev. M. Scott Davis

Recently I preached on Luke 17:11-19 which was about Jesus healing ten lepers and how only the Samaritan returned to thank Him. It is a familiar Gospel story and the problem with familiar stories is

that we know them too well, and they lose their ability to touch us. As I prepared to teach on it, one word jumped out that had never before. The ten lepers cry out, "Jesus, **Master**, have pity on us!"

A title describes a person's character, ability, position, or responsibility. Jesus has numerous titles—the Key; the

Branch; the Alpha and Omega; the Lamb of God; the Way; the Truth; the Life; the Light of the world—to name a few. In verse 13 the lepers choose a title that is not nearly as common as Lord or Savior. They cry with a loud voice, "**Master!**".

The title we choose to call God is the manner in which He responds to us. He does not set the parameters on the relationship, we do. To the lepers, Jesus was **Master**. Since they chose this form of the relationship then He responded to them as a **master**. A **master** tells his servants to come or go. What does Jesus tell them? "Go, show yourselves to the priest."

What we choose to call God also reveals the size of our faith. The lepers

faith level is that of **Master** to servant.

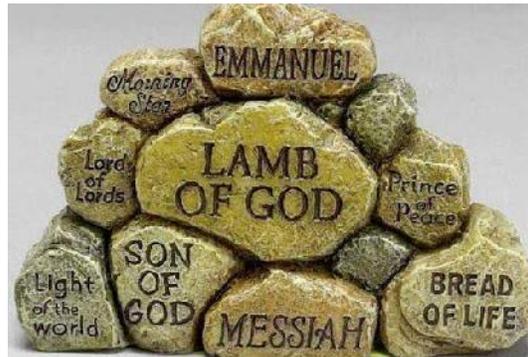
The rich young ruler calls Jesus **teacher**. "**Teacher**, what must I do to inherit eternal life?" Jesus answers him as a teacher would. He queries him as to why the young man calls Him good? Jesus goes through the Ten Commandments with the man just as a teacher would with a student. The faith tank of the rich young ruler is at a size that can call Jesus **teacher** but probably not **Lord**. That becomes the rub to the story.

A Roman Centurion with the sick servant calls Jesus **Lord**. "**Lord**, do not trouble Yourself, for I do not deserve to have You come under my roof (Luke 7:6). " He continues by saying that if Jesus only says the word healing will occur. The

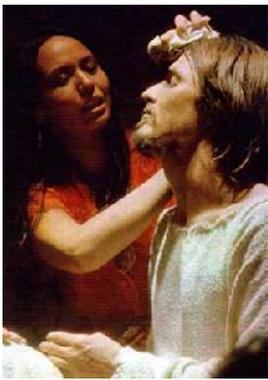
Gentile Centurion understands authority and how it works. This is why he can call Jesus **Lord** while the Jewish rich, young ruler can only call Jesus **teacher** and the lepers, **Master**.

The woman who anoints Jesus with costly perfume does not call

Jesus anything. However, her behavior and sacrifice calls Him, **Husband**. The perfume is a one time application that cost a year's wages. This means that she can only use it once and therefore has to figure out when the most significant moment of her life will be and then use it. Usually it is a woman's wedding day. Her act of anointing Jesus is very intimate as she anoints His head and body. In her own way she is calling Him, **Husband**" without saying a word. The disciples rebuke



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her and are most insulting. Since Jesus responds by the title we choose for Him, He immediately acts like a protecting husband, verbally defending her

from the disciples. He then memorializes her for the rest of eternity for her love shown to Him. A loving husband memorializes his wife after her death and so Jesus does the same for her. I could go on and on but as you read the Gospels, note what people call Jesus. It reveals the size of their faith, and shows the different facets of Jesus as well.

The final question to ask ourselves is, "What do I call Jesus?" I do not mean the right Sunday School answer, but the *real* answer from your heart. He will respond in the manner in which we establish so we should think long and hard as to what we deep down believe Him to be for us. Is He the Master, fair and kind but also demanding and just? Is He the teacher who instructs as well as questions? Is He Lord and I am completely under His authority without question?

Blessings, Scott +

Psalm 4:8b (Passion Translation)-  
 "...for no matter what happens, I will live life unafraid!"

Psalm 7:17  
 (Passion Translation)- "...You make everything right in the end."

Congratulations to—  
 Kathy and Bill Patton  
 on the birth of their  
 grandson, William  
 Porter Patton born on  
 March 11, 2016.



We extend our love and sympathy to the family of Arlene Temple who died in Christ, March 15, 2016. Arlene was a much loved part of Grace Church and the Wednesday Bible Study. She will be greatly missed. Visitation will be at 1pm & Memorial Service will be at 2pm, Friday, March 18.



Palm Sunday Pot Luck

Sunday, March 20

Ham provided by the church

Yum! Bring a side dish, salad, or dessert.

Father Scott will share about the 2017 Sabbatical plans



February Financials

Income	\$ 15,089
Expense	\$ 16,567
Net	\$ -1,478

Holy Week Schedule

Palm Sunday  
 10am-Worship Pot Luck



Holy Thursday  
 6pm-Healing Service With HC

Good Friday  
 12:noon Stations of the Cross



Easter  
 10:am-Worship