

# Lessons from the Heart

## Following where God leads

By Pastor Micah Hudson

In Psalm 16, verses 5 and 6, David shows great confidence and contentment in the Lord for his inheritance. God has already

assigned David his "portion" because he was from the tribe of Levi that received no territory in the division of the land amongst the 12 tribes because God was to be their portion. David had noth-

ing else but God alone as his inheritance, and he feels a great peace and contentment with what he has received.

In the same way we can experience contentment and peace from God as we trust in Him. We trust our salvation through Him. We trust that we can have a relationship with God while on earth. And it is this relationship that we trust will continue on into heaven! God can give you great peace and contentment as you trust in Him. He is your portion, your lone inheritance, just as He was for David and his tribe. You can find peace and contentment as you trust in God

However, it is common for our peace and contentment to be challenged at times. Just under two years ago, my wife and I started the process of switching or changing ministry positions. I felt that God wanted me to resign my pastoral position at Frankfort, knowing that I would have to trust Him through the process of looking for a new ministry position. (In the Wesleyan Church,

each pastor has to find his own ministry position at another church.) Well, only a week after resigning, my district superintendent helped me find a interview at a church in Anderson. The position looked good and the church invited me back to preach and to vote on whether to take me as their pastor. The preaching and visit went well from our side and we awaited a good report from the church, and I thought, "this was an easy change God!" However, we were shocked (and even hurt) when the church's vote was split and we were not invited to be their pastor. Then started three long months of searching for ministry positions and only getting two preliminary phone interviews. Into our fourth month of



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searching, I felt led to expand my search to churches outside of the Wesleyan denomination (where I had been all of my life). Only then did the phone start to ring again, and God led us to this great ministry in leading youth here in Delphi. This whole process challenged our peace and contentment to the max! Yet, it

has allowed us to experience even greater peace and contentment than we have had before.

No matter what you might be going through, remember that God is good as you trust in Him with all of your life!

Micah Hudson is youth pastor at Delphi United Methodist Church.

# DIRECTORY OF AREA CHURCHES

SS=Sunday School

SW=Sunday Worship

**AMERICUS UNION NON-DENOMINATIONAL:** Larry Williams, pastor. SW: 10 a.m.

**BRINGHURST UNITED METHODIST:** Larry DeVos, pastor. SS: 9:30 a.m., SW: 10:30 a.m.

**BROOKSTON CHURCH OF CHRIST:** 206 N. Prairie Street, Brookston. Ron Guzman, minister. SS: 9 a.m., SW: 10 a.m. & 6 p.m.

**BUCK CREEK UNITED METHODIST:** 4915 Ferret St., Buck Creek. Dwight Monical, pastor. SS: 9 a.m., SW: 10:15 a.m.

**BURLINGTON FIRST BRETHREN:** 205 W. 8th St., Rev. Dr. Peter Rousakis, pastor. SW: 10:00 a.m., SS: 9:00 a.m.

**BURLINGTON CHURCH OF CHRIST:** Tim Pohlman, pastor. SW: 9:30 a.m. & 6 p.m., Children's Church: 10 a.m., SS: 10:30 a.m., Youth Groups: 6 p.m.

**BURLINGTON UNITED METHODIST:** SS: 10:50 a.m., SW: 9:30 a.m.

**BURNETTSVILLE FIRST BAPTIST:** Second & Main, Burnettsville. SW: 10:00 a.m., SS: 11:15 a.m.

**BURNETTSVILLE CHRISTIAN:** Sixth & Washington, Burnettsville. John Wright, pastor. SW: 9:30 a.m., SS: 10:30 a.m.

**BURNETTSVILLE CHURCH OF THE BRETHREN:** First & Main, Burnettsville. SW: 9:30 a.m., SS: 10:30 a.m.

**BURROWS PRESBYTERIAN:** SS: 11:30 a.m., SW: 10:30 a.m.

**CALVARY CHAPEL CARROLL COUNTY:** Wabash & Erie Canal Interpretive Center, Delphi. Eric Haley, pastor. SW: 10 a.m.

**CAMDEN UNITED METHODIST:** Dan Gottschalk, pastor. SS: 9-9:45 a.m., SW: 10 a.m.

**CLYMERS UNITED METHODIST CHURCH:** 4003 W 400S. Clymers Kevin Drane, pastor. SW: 10:30 a.m. SS: Same as worship.

**COLBURN ROAD BAPTIST:** Bill Cadle, pastor. SS: 10 a.m., SW: 11 a.m. & 6 p.m.

**COLBURN UNITED METHODIST:** Kasey Schnepp, pastor. SW: 9 a.m., SS: 10:20 a.m.

**COMMUNITY BIBLE MINISTRIES:** 1/2 mile north of SR 22 on CR 1150W. Patrick Kamm, pastor. SS: 9 a.m. SW: 10:15 a.m.

**CROSSROADS COMMUNITY CHRISTIAN:** 3570 E 200S, Bringhurst, Dan C. Butcher, pastor. SW: 9:30 a.m. SS: 10:30 a.m. Youth group 6:30 p.m., Bible study Wed. 6:30 p.m.

**CUTLER PRESBYTERIAN:** SS: 9:30 a.m., SW: 10:30 a.m.

**DEER CREEK UNITED PRESBYTERIAN:** Highway 29 in Deer Creek. SW: 10:30 a.m. SS: 9:15 a.m.

**DELPHI CHRISTIAN CHURCH:** 315 E. Main St., Delphi. Andrew Paris, minister. SW: 9:30 a.m., SS: 10:45 a.m. Wed. Bible study: 7 p.m.

**DELPHI CHURCH OF CHRIST:** 405 Cottage Street, Delphi. Sunday Bible study: 9:30 a.m., SW: 10:30 & 5 p.m., Wed. Night 7 p.m.

**DELPHI COMMUNITY CHURCH OF GOD:** 321 W. Main Street, Delphi. Rev. Virgil Moss. SS: 9:30 a.m., SW: 10:30 a.m. & 6 p.m.

**DELPHI PENTECOSTAL:** Hwy. 25 East, Delphi. Tim Stewart, pastor. Thurs. night Bible Study: 7:30p.m., SS: 12:45 p.m., SW: 2 p.m.

**DELPHI UNITED METHODIST:** Union & Monroe Streets, Delphi. SW: 8:45 & 11 a.m., SS: 10 a.m., Todd Ladd, pastor; Micah Hudson, youth pastor.

**DELPHI WESLEYAN:** North Union Street, Delphi. Dan Fisher, pastor. SS: 9:30 a.m., SW: 10:30 a.m. & 6 p.m.

**EASTLAWN UNITED METHODIST:** SR 24 & Logan Street, Idaville. Ernie D. Elder, Jr., Pastor. SW: 10 a.m., SS: 9 a.m.

**FAITH CHURCH OF CHRIST:** SR 29, Burlington. Steve Cole, minister. SW: 9:30 a.m. & 6 p.m. a.m., SS: 11 a.m., Wed. Bible study 7 p.m.

**FAITH LUTHERAN:** CR 800 N, west of Hwy. 29. Thomas J. McShannock & Sandy Hutchens, pastor. SS: 9 a.m., SW: 10:10 a.m.

**FELLOWSHIP BAPTIST CHURCH:** Hwys. 29 & 26, Middlefork. Jim Anderson, pastor. SS: 9:30 a.m., SW: 10:30 a.m. & 6 p.m.

**FIRST APOSTOLIC CHURCH:** U.S. 421 North, Tippecanoe Township. Gilbert R. Ingram, pastor. SW: 10 a.m. & 6 p.m.

**FIRST ASSEMBLY OF GOD:** US 421N., Pittsburg. Brent Oliver, pastor. SW: 9:30 am, Wed. Family Night: 6:30pm, Adult & Youth Services Sun. Evenings 6pm.

**FIRST BAPTIST CHURCH OF CAMDEN:** Paul Marcellino, interim-pastor. Tue. 9:30 a.m. Women's study, Wed. 6:30 p.m. WW, SW: 9:30 a.m., SS: 10:45 a.m., Sun. Youth Service 5:30 p.m. Sun. Bible study: 7:30 p.m.

**FIRST BAPTIST:** Indiana & Franklin Streets, Delphi. William Glenn, pastor. SS: 9:30 a.m., SW: 10:30 a.m. & 6 p.m.

**FIRST PRESBYTERIAN:** Main & Indiana Streets, Delphi. Rev. Bill McLean. SW: 9:30 a.m., SS: 10:30 a.m.

**FLORA FIRST BAPTIST:** 115 W. Columbia Street, Flora. Interim pastors. SW: 9 a.m., SS: 10 a.m.

**FLORA FIRST BRETHREN:** 115 N. Washington Street, Flora. Dan Herendeen, pastor. SS: 9:30 a.m., SW: 10:30 a.m.

**FLORA FIRST CHRISTIAN** (Disciples of Christ) S. Center Street, Flora. Sam Davenport, interim pastor. SW: 9:30 a.m., SS: 10:30 a.m.

**FLORA GRACE BRETHREN:** 103 S. Willow St., Flora. James Franklin, pastor. SS: 9:30 a.m., SW: 10:30 a.m., Wed. Prayer Service: 7 p.m.

**FLORA PRESBYTERIAN CHURCH:** 211 S. Center St., Flora. Charles Compton, pastor. SW: 10:15 a.m.

**FLORA UNITED METHODIST:** 107 E. Main Street, Flora. Larry DeVos, pastor. SW: 9 a.m., SS: 10:15 a.m.

**FLORA VALLEY VIEW SOUTHERN BAPTIST:** Route 2, Flora. Bill Godbey, pastor. SS: 9:30 a.m., SW: 10:30 a.m. & 6 p.m.

**GRACE MISSIONARY BAPTIST:** 1101 Dreifers Ave., Delphi. Joe Whitehead, pastor. SS: 10 a.m. SW: 11 a.m. & 6 p.m.

**HICKORY GROVE CHURCH:** CR 700 W., Jefferson Township, Ken Smith, pastor SS: 9 a.m., SW: 10 a.m.

**HILLSIDE MISSIONARY BAPTIST:** Hwy. 22, 2 miles E. of Burlington. Doyle Buckner, pastor. SS: 10 a.m., SW: 11 a.m. & 6 p.m.

**IDAVILLE CHURCH OF GOD:** 11073 E 50 N, Idaville. Chris Murphy, pastor. SW 8:30 & 10:30 a.m., SS: 9:30 a.m.

**JUBILEE FELLOWSHIP:** CR 50 N, Flora. Scott Gamel, pastor. SS: 9:00 a.m., SW: 10:00 a.m.

**LIVING FAITH CHURCH OF THE BRETHREN:** 310N 250W. Jeff Tomson, pastor SS: 9 a.m., SW: 10 a.m.

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**LOWER DEER CREEK CHURCH OF THE BRETHREN** CR 300 N, SE of Camden. Guy Studebaker, pastor. SW 10:15 a.m., SS: 9:00 a.m.

**MT. ZION INDEPENDENT BAPTIST:** 102 N. Connelly Street, Delphi. Alfred Smith, pastor. SS: 10:15 a.m., SW: 9 a.m., & 6 p.m.

**OAK GROVE CHRISTIAN:** 11810 N & 900 W, Monticello. Interim pastor, Don Arterburn. SW: 10 a.m.

**PINE GROVE MISSIONARY BAPTIST CHURCH:** Crooked Road, 1 mile E of Delphi. Justin Wagner, pastor. SS: 10 a.m., SW: 11 a.m. & 6 p.m.

**PITTSBURG MISSIONARY BAPTIST:** John Wagner, pastor. SS: 10 a.m.; SW: 11 a.m. & 6 p.m. Bible Study: Thurs. 6:30 p.m

**PLEASANT HILL PRESBYTERIAN CHURCH:** 5490 North SR 39, Frankfort. Donna Enerson, pastor. SS: 9:45 a.m., SW: 10:30 a.m. Everyone welcome.

**PYRMONT CHURCH OF THE BRETHREN:** Pastor. Howard Hendrickson SS: 9 a.m., SW: 10:15 a.m.

**RADNOR CHURCH:** Ed Selvidge, pastor. SW: 9 a.m., SS: 10 a.m.

**ROCKFIELD CHRISTIAN:** Bob Cree, pastor. SW: 9 a.m., SS: 10 a.m.

**ROCKFIELD PRESBYTERIAN:** SW: 9:30 a.m.

**ROSSVILLE BIBLE FELLOWSHIP:** 16 Cason St., Judd Dickey, pastor. Sunday Corporate Prayer: 9:00 a.m.; Fellowship 9:30 a.m.; SW 10:00 a.m.

**ROSSVILLE CHURCH OF THE BRETHREN:** 109 N. Plank Street, Rossville. Floyd Smith, pastor. SS: 9 a.m., SW: 10 a.m.

**ROSSVILLE PRESBYTERIAN CHURCH:** 5434 W State Rd 26, Rossville, IN. Bob McAulay, interim pastor SW: 9 a.m., SS: 10:20 a.m.

**ROSSVILLE UNITED METHODIST:** Main & Gaddis Streets, Rossville. Rick Jones, pastor. SS: 9:15 a.m., SW: 10:30 a.m.

**SHARON AMERICAN BAPTIST:** St. Rd. 29, Carrollton Township. James Lund, pastor. SS: 9:30 a.m., SW: 10:30 a.m.

**ST. JOSEPH'S CATHOLIC:** 207 N. Washington Street, Delphi. Peter Vanderkolk, pastor. SW: 8 a.m. & 10:30 a.m.

**ST. MATTHEW'S LUTHERAN CHURCH:** 1301 S. Washington St., Delphi. Dale Larson, pastor. SS: 9:30 a.m., SW: 10:30 a.m.

**ST. PETER'S LUTHERAN:** Church & Cumberland Sts., Camden, 2 blocks West & 1 block North of SR218 and SR75. Dale Larson, pastor. SW: 8:30 a.m.. SS: Same as Worship.

**WHIRLWIND MINISTRIES:** 869 N. 90 E., Burrows, Greg Britt, pastor. SW: 10 a.m. (574) 652-2280

**YEOMAN UNITED METHODIST:** Dave Inskip, pastor, SS: 9:30 a.m., SW: 10:30 a.m.

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## FOCUS ON THE FAMILY

By Dr. James Dobson

### Society places too much value on superficial things

**QUESTION:** You have said that children and young people are experiencing an epidemic of self-doubt and feelings of low self-esteem. Why do you think this is true?

**DR. DOBSON:** It has resulted, in part, from an unjust system of evaluating human worth now prevalent in our society. Not everyone is seen as worthy; not everyone is accepted. Instead, we reserve our praise and admiration for those who have been blessed from birth with the characteristics we value most highly. It is a vicious system, and we, as parents, must counterbalance its impact.

At the top of the list of the most highly respected and valued attributes in our culture is physical attractiveness. Those who happen to have it are often honored and even feared; those who do not may be disrespected and rejected through no fault of their own. This measure of human worth is evident from the earliest moments of life, when an attractive infant is considered more valuable than a homely one. For this reason, it is not uncommon for a mother to be depressed shortly after the

birth of her first baby. She had hoped to give birth to a beautiful 6-week-old Gerber baby, having four front teeth and rosy, pink cheeks. Instead, they hand her a red, toothless, bald, prune-faced, screaming little individual who isn't exactly what Mom expected.

As the child grows, his or her value as a person will be assessed not only by parents, but also by those outside the home. Beauty contests offering scholarships and prizes for gorgeous babies are now common, as if the attractive child didn't already have enough advantages in life. What a distorted system for evaluating human worth! As author George Orwell has written, "All (people) are equal, but some (people) are more equal than others." The real tragedy today is how often this statement is proven true in the lives of our children.

**QUESTION:** My little boy always wants to know just how far I will let him go. Once he has tested me and found I'm serious about what I say, he'll usually cooperate at that point. What is going on in his mind?

**DR. DOBSON:** Your child, like most other kids, has a

great need to know where behavioral boundaries are and who has the courage to enforce them. Let me illustrate how that works.

Years ago, during the early days of the progressive education movement, an enthusiastic theorist decided to take down the chain-link fence that surrounded the nursery schoolyard. He thought the children would feel more freedom of movement without that visible barrier surrounding them. When the fence was removed, however, the boys and girls huddled near the center of the play-yard. Not only did they not wander away; they didn't even venture to the edge of the grounds. Clearly, there is a security for all of us in defined boundaries. That's why a child will push a parent to the point of exasperation at times. She's testing the resolve of the mother or father and exploring



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the limits of her world.

Do you want further evidence of this motivation? Consider the relationships within a family where the dad is a firm but loving disciplinarian, the mother is indecisive and weak, and the child is a strong-willed spitfire. Notice how the mother is pushed, challenged, sassed, disobeyed and insulted, but the father can bring order with a word or two. What is going on here? Simply that the child understands and accepts Dad's strength. The limits are clear. There is no reason to test him again. But Mom has established no rules, and she is fair game for a fight every day if necessary.

The very fact that your child accepts the boundaries you have set tells you that he respects you. That youngster will still test the outer limits occasionally to see if the "fence" is still there.

### Pray for our nation to seek God

Children, obey your parents in everything, for this pleases the Lord. Colossians 3:20 Pd. Adv.

Send your questions to Dr. Dobson, c/o Focus on the Family, PO Box 444, Colorado Springs, CO 80903; or to his Web site at www.focus.org. These questions and answers are excerpted from books authored by Dr. James Dobson and published by Tyndale House Publishers. Dr. Dobson is the founder and chairman of the board of Focus on the Family, a nonprofit organization dedicated to the preservation of the home and Judeo-Christian values. Copyright 1997 James Dobson, Inc. All rights reserved. International copy secured.

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