



Prayer Requests

Cancer

Levi Burke. 5year old nephew of James' coworker.

Louie Rakes. Sandra Lester's brother.

Penny Shropshire. Friend of Dave's Daughter

Nursing Home & Home Bound

Anita Hopper. Health concerns.

Sharon Teschendorf. Dementia .

Eddie Thompson. Dementia & other health issues.

Virgil Thompson. Parkinson's Disease.

Special Needs

Eli Clark. Special needs.

Ryan Kendrick. Special needs.

Shep Knight. Special needs.

Jaydan Patrick. Special needs.



Drew Clifton. Dixie's grandson.

Robby Eversole. Heart issues.

Danny Guard. West Side Member. Health concerns.

Ralph Jones. Just recently tested cancer free.

Matthew Hollandsworth. Health concerns.

Peter Kice. Co-worker of James. Health concerns.

Rita Lawless. Health concerns.

Karen Lovell. Recent surgery.

Sheryl Newton. Brad's mom. Health concerns.

Ernest Parenteau. Brad's stepdad. Health concerns.

Carolyn Roop. Recovering from a fall.

Randy Underwood. U.T. blockage.

Those with Long Term Health Concerns.

Prayers for our Country.

Prayers for the Ukraine.



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Times We Meet:

Sunday:
Bible Study: 10:00 a.m.
Worship: 11:00 a.m.

Thursday:
Ladies Class: 10:00 a.m.
Mid-Week Online
Bible Study: 12:30 p.m.

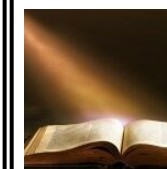
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Sincerity is Not Enough

In a New York hospital several years ago, carbon dioxide instead of oxygen was mistakenly administered to a patient.

According to the police report, the patient died almost instantly. The unfortunate patient died in spite of his own sincerity and that of the hospital authorities, the anesthesiologist, and the surgeon.

In the same way, in religious things certainty must be coupled with sincerity. A person can be religiously honest and yet be in an extremely unsafe spiritual condition.

Saul of Tarsus was sincere during the time when the blood of Christians was dripping from his hands. After his conversion to Christ he said, "I have lived in all good conscience before God until this day" (Acts 23:1). "Indeed, I myself thought I must do many things contrary to the name of Jesus of Nazareth" (Acts 26:9).

The plain teaching of the Book of God is "a lamp to my feet, and a light to my path" (Psalm 119:105). "There is a way that seems right to a man, but its end is the way of death" (Proverbs 14:12).

Make absolutely sure you are right, and then sincerely practice it.
—George F. Gaines

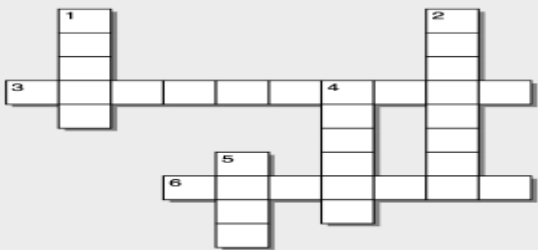


Rev. 18:15-20

1. Merchants of the world became ___ by Babylon.
2. "Alas, alas, that great city that was clothed in fine ___, purple, and ___, and adorned with gold and precious stones and ___!"
3. "For in one ___ such great riches came to ___."
4. Those who traveled and traded by ship threw ___ on their heads and wept and wailed.
5. "___ over her, O heaven, and *you* holy ___ and ___, for God has avenged you on her!"

Solution: rich; linen, scarlet, pearls; hour, nothing; dust; Rejoice, apostles, prophets
—*BulletinDigest.com*

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The Sabbath Law

Exodus 31

Across

3. "I am the Lord who ___ you."
6. The ___ day would be a day of rest (number).

Down

1. Mountain where God spoke to Moses.
2. The Sabbaths would be a perpetual ___.
4. The tablets were written by God's ___.
5. Israel was to ___ the Sabbaths.

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BIBLE WORD SEARCH!

Judgment Day Excuses (Matthew 7:21-23)

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Announcements and Upcoming Events



JANUARY BIRTHDAY

JAN. 31ST

MATTHEW HOLLANDSWORTH



Singspiration!

The Kannapolis Church of Christ is hosting the 27th Singspiration, January 27-29. Brother Pete Lovell is going to the 28th's session. If you would like to join Pete that day, please see Pete!



Ladies Digging Deep

Our next Monthly Ladies Digging Deep Class is: Sunday, February 5, 2023.
3:00 p.m. — 5:00p p.m. in our fellowship hall.



Movie Nights!

Our Movie Nights are on winter break. Our next Monthly Movie Night is on May 6, 2023 & it will be a Pizza & Movie Night!



BIBLE WORD SEARCH! Solution

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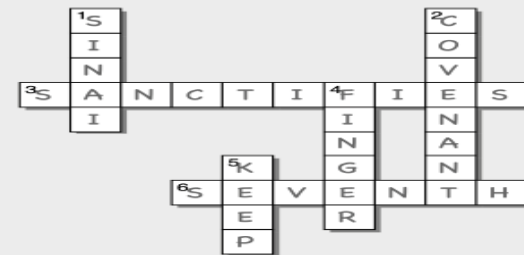
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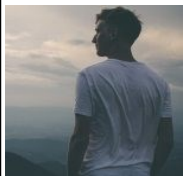
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He longed to behold the beauty of the Lord. Take time to think about the beauty of our God. David lived before Emmanuel came. He never saw God in the flesh, but we see Him every time we read the New Testament. God is beautiful. We are able to see the beauty of the Lord far better than David ever did!

Finally, David longed to inquire of the Lord. David only had, at best, nine books of the Bible. We have sixty six! We can inquire and know far more than David ever did. He longed to let God instruct him. We are more blessed than David!

The true blessings in this life are spiritual. Don’t waste your life chasing foolish wishes that are so material. David’s one wish should be the one we first think of!
—Dan Jenkins



Men of Valor

There is a description of several groups within the genealogies of Israel which deserve our focused consideration. Several are recognized for posterity as being “mighty men of valor.”

While many men will live such lives as to garner no real lasting impression on subsequent generations this shouldn’t be the case with the children of God. If our time spent here on the earth is lived in such a way to bear any kind of lasting influence at all just what kind of influence will it be and just how will we be remembered? Do you press forward or shrink back? Do you stand or step aside?

Every generation of the Lord’s church needs those men (and women), young and old alike, who will take a stand for the truth. Mighty men of valor! What kind of influence, what legacy, what inspiration, what remembrance will our lives have when we cross over into eternity? What we do today may well determine the answer to those questions.

Be strong, be patient, be loving, be determined, be obedient, and be faithful!
—Tim Dooley



A Glimpse Into the Future

The rapidity with which changes have taken place over the past several years leaves us longing for some sort of glimpse into the future. What will the financial markets look like in six months? What will be the political landscape a year from today? And, what about the spiritual and moral climate in our society? What new challenges will we face in the year ahead. The best we can offer are educated guesses based on the past. We simply do not know about tomorrow (Mt. 6:34). But, while we cannot know the future, at least to the extent that our anxiety-driven curiosity requires, we can know the God who holds the future in His hands.

In previous ages, God spoke “to the fathers in the prophets in many portions and in many ways...” (Heb. 1:1). Fulfilled prophecy is a major component of the body of evidence that supports the inspiration of the Bible. Detailed descriptions of people and events written hundreds of years before their fulfillment leaves us with the indelible impression that the Lord has, indeed, spoken through His servants, the prophets.

Yet, there have always been those who falsely claim to speak in the name of the Lord. Perhaps, for this reason, Moses hypothetically posed the question: “How will we know the word which the Lord has not spoken?” (Dt. 18:21). Answering his own question, Moses says, “When a prophet speaks in the name of the Lord, if the thing does not come about or come true, that is the thing which the Lord has not spoken. The prophet has spoken it presumptuously; you shall not be afraid of him” (vs. 22).

How often are modern-day prognosticators given a free pass by their adherents even when it becomes clearly evident that their predictions have altogether missed the mark? Because they were inspired by the Holy Spirit, God’s prophets were always 100% accurate in their predictions. By contrast, today’s false prophet, in spite of using the same taken-out-of-context passages year after year, cannot get their teaching to line up with actual events with any degree of reliability or specificity. Should they not be held accountable for their false predictions? (1 Jn. 4:1).
—Glen Elliott



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<div data-bbox="59 142 244 305" data-label="Image"> </div> <div data-bbox="666 142 911 188" data-label="Section-Header"> <h3>Think Souls</h3> </div> <div data-bbox="59 240 1325 467" data-label="Text"> <p>The inner part of the person—the soul—is such an important element to who we are. God made us as body, soul, and spirit (1 Thess. 5:23). Yet the concept of the soul is so broad in God’s word that we could spend a year just studying its various nuances! Even in the book of Acts, the word takes on a variety of meanings. It is a synonym for person (Acts 27:37), while other times it refers to life (Acts 20:10), or mind (Acts 14:2). We also get a glimpse of God’s connection with our souls:</p> </div> <div data-bbox="59 516 1325 592" data-label="Text"> <p>Hope From God. “For you will not abandon my soul to Hades, or let your Holy One see corruption” (Acts 2:27).</p> </div> <div data-bbox="59 641 1325 717" data-label="Text"> <p>Salvation In God. “So those who received his word were baptized, and there were added that day about three thousand souls” (Acts 2:41).</p> </div> <div data-bbox="59 766 1325 842" data-label="Text"> <p>Fear of God. “And awe came upon every soul, and many wonders and signs were being done through the apostles” (Acts 2:43).</p> </div> <div data-bbox="59 891 1325 967" data-label="Text"> <p>Condemnation of God. “And it shall be that every soul who does not listen to that prophet shall be destroyed from the people” (Acts 3:23).</p> </div> <div data-bbox="59 1016 1325 1127" data-label="Text"> <p>Unity From God. “Now the full number of those who believed were of one heart and soul, and no one said that any of the things that belonged to him was his own, but they had everything in common” (Acts 4:32).</p> </div> <div data-bbox="59 1175 1325 1325" data-label="Text"> <p>Encouragement in God. “When they had preached the gospel to that city and had made many disciples, they returned to Lystra and to Iconium and to Antioch, strengthening the souls of the disciples, encouraging them to continue in the faith, and saying that through many tribulations we must enter the kingdom of God” (Acts 14:21-22).</p> </div> <div data-bbox="59 1373 1325 1523" data-label="Text"> <p>In Jesus our souls have no condemnation (Rom. 8:1)! Instead, we find encouragement (John 16:33), unity (Eph. 2:15), salvation (2 Tim. 2:10), and hope (1 Thess. 1:3). This year, may our souls dwell in the fear of the Lord and in the comfort of the Holy Spirit (Acts 9:31).</p> </div> <div data-bbox="1024 1523 1290 1560" data-label="Text"> <p>—Logan Summers</p> </div>			<div data-bbox="1360 142 1542 313" data-label="Image"> </div> <div data-bbox="1731 142 2443 188" data-label="Section-Header"> <h3>If You Were Granted Just One Wish</h3> </div> <div data-bbox="1360 240 2626 440" data-label="Text"> <p>The fervor which swept across this nation seeking to win the \$500,000,000 lottery is remarkable. It is amazing to see how so many Americans think that money would bring them true happiness. The reality is that past winners of lotteries just could not handle that kind of money and their lives were ruined by such a “blessing.”</p> </div> <div data-bbox="1360 488 2626 605" data-label="Text"> <p>As a child, we thought about finding that bottle with the genie inside who would grant us three wishes. It was rather fun to see how our friends used their wishes to bring them imaginary happiness. It was fun, but the truth is there is no magic genie.</p> </div> <div data-bbox="1360 654 2626 812" data-label="Text"> <p>Suppose that you could ask God to give you just one thing. What would it be? Take just a moment to think about this before you continue reading. If He promised to grant your one request, what would you ask for? What above all else would bring you the greatest joy?</p> </div> <div data-bbox="1360 860 2626 1055" data-label="Text"> <p>David, the man after God’s own heart, prayed that God would just do one for him. His words were, “One thing I have desired of the Lord, that will I seek . . .” Now if these were your words how would you finish his sentence? What one thing above all else would you ask God to give you? David desired one thing. He knew the nature of God was to answer his prayer so he asked God to give him just one thing.</p> </div> <div data-bbox="1360 1104 2626 1261" data-label="Text"> <p>“One thing I have desired of the Lord, that will I seek: That I may dwell in the house of the Lord all the days of my life, to behold the beauty of the Lord and to inquire in His temple” (Psa. 27:4). Nothing in this world would bring greater happiness to David than this one request.</p> </div> <div data-bbox="1360 1310 2626 1505" data-label="Text"> <p>Look at the first part of David’s wish. He longed to dwell in the house of the Lord as long as he lived. There is more to this than for David to physically be in the tabernacle (the temple had not yet been built). Above all else he wanted to be with God. What about us? Paul defines the house of the Lord as the church (1 Tim. 3:15). David’s one request is so readily available for us!</p> </div> <div data-bbox="2061 1505 2626 1542" data-label="Text"> <p><i>“One Wish” Continued on Page 6...</i></p> </div>		