



Cancer

Ruby Bradd. 6 years old.

Brad Hurd. Fiancé of a co-worker of Brad Newton. Liver cancer & spreading to lungs.

Steven Kelly. Friend of Lovell's. Stage 4.

Louie Rakes. Sandra Lester's brother.

Special Needs

Ryan Kendrick. Special needs.

Jaydan Patrick. Special needs.

Need for Prayer

Kitty Baugaus. Rita's sister. Health concerns.

Drew Clifton. Dixie's grandson.

Tari Kelly. Friend of Lovell's. Severe dog bite.

Jackie & Melody Mullins. Health concerns.

Prayers for our Country, Military.

Prayers for Israel, Palestine, & Ukraine.

Nursing Home

Sibbie Byrd. Health issues.

Sharon Teschendorf. Dementia .

Long-Term Health Issues

Jack Beavers. Fluid retention & heart issues.

Simon Beavers. Health issues.

Eugene Hall. Recovering from brain surgery.

Norman W. Hill. Health concerns.

Troy & Hester Hollandsworth. Health issues.

Matthew Hollandsworth. Health issues.

Anita Hopper. Health concerns.

Rita Lawless. Health issues.

Odell Moran. Health concerns.

Wayne Youngblood. Health issues.

Prayers for Caregivers.



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Sunday:
 Bible Study: 9:30 a.m.
 Worship: 10:30 a.m.
Thursday:
 Ladies' Class
 Coffee & Donuts: 9:30 a.m.
 Class: 10:00 a.m.
 Mid-Week Virtual
 Bible Study: 12:30 p.m.



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He Will Take Us Through

We are constantly reminded that life can be challenging. Life can be hard.

Sometimes....life can be *very* hard. But we don't go through alone! We don't go through it unnoticed by heaven!

Someone has said: "Since God the Father intends to make you like Jesus, He will take you through the same experiences Jesus went through. That includes loneliness, temptation, stress, criticism, rejection, and many other problems.

Hard? Yes. But *He will take us through!* God will be with us in our trials and heartache.

"The LORD is my shepherd; I shall not want. He makes me lie down in green pastures. He leads me beside still waters. He restores my soul. He leads me in paths of righteousness for his name's sake. Even though I walk through the valley of the shadow of death, I will fear no evil, for you are with me; and your rod and your staff, they comfort me. You prepare a table before me in the presence of my enemies; you anoint my head with oil; my cup overflows. Surely goodness and mercy shall follow me all the days of my life, and I shall dwell in the house of the LORD forever" (Psalm 23).

—Bart Warren



The King and His Bible

As God anticipated, the people of Israel would one day ask for a king. God spoke this prophecy by Moses in Deuteronomy 17:18-20. One of the most notable commands, and the one that Moses centers on in this passage, was the responsibility of each king of God's people to make his own copy of the scriptures. Here is what he was responsible for:

He was to write for himself a copy. In the simple act of copying word for word all of the commandments, statutes, precepts, and laws of God was a humbling reminder that if he held to them, he and his kingdom would be blessed. If he forgot, neglected, or disobeyed, the curses of God's word would come upon him and upon the people he ruled (Deut. 28-29).

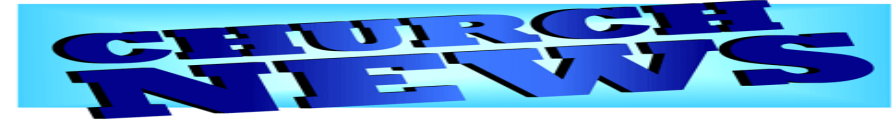
He was to cherish it. It was to be with him at all times (Deut. 17:19). The law of God is described as a counselor and a confidence. As the king had God as his Advisor and guide, he could absolutely know he was standing on solid ground.

He was to read it (Deut. 17:19). The specific purpose was so that he could "learn to fear the Lord his God and be careful to observe all the words of this law and these statutes." What the mind repeats, the mind retains. As the king was commanded to do this all his life, it was for his good.

He was to do this so his heart not be lifted up (Deut. 17:20). Repeatedly in the chronicles of Israel, there were kings who suffered different fates precisely for that reason...their hearts were lifted up! Pride is a danger for all of us and the kings of Israel should have known that better than most!

If God wanted His king to treasure His word for the good of His people, how much more the people who Christ has made "kings and priests to His God and Father" (Rev. 1:5)!

—Andy Baker



January Birthday!

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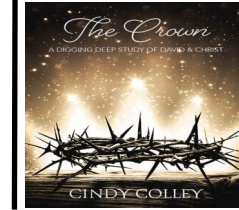
Mid-Week Virtual Bible Study!

All of streaming platforms,
Returns Jan. 25th at 12:30 pm



Ladies Bible Study!

Returns Thursday, Jan. 18th!
Coffee & Donuts at 9:30 a.m.
and class starts at 10:00 a.m.



Digging Deep Bible Study!

Our next Digging deep ladies' class is Feb. 4th from 2 pm - 4 pm in our Fellowship Hall.

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He also displayed distinctly human feelings and qualities: He was moved to pity (Mark 1:41) and compassion (Mark 8:2). He was distressed (Mark 7:34; Luke 8:24-25), angry (Mark 3:5), annoyed (Mark 10:14), surprised (Mark 6:6), disappointed (Mark 8:17; 9:19), and hungry (Mark 11:12).

Although He was born of a virgin, Jesus was a true human being.

Yet after seeing Jesus calm a savage storm by simply "rebuk[ing] the winds and the waves," His disciples "were amazed and asked, 'Who can this be?'" (Matthew 8:27).

—Mike Benson

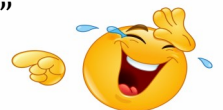


On The Lighter Side: Grandchild's View

A grandson was visiting his grandma one day when he asked, "Grandma, do you know how you and God are alike?"

She mentally polished her halo, and asked, "No, how are we alike?"

"You're both old," he replied.





Matthew 1:18-25



1. Who was the mother of Jesus?
2. “Then __ her husband, being a __ *man*, and not wanting to make her a __ example, was minded to put her away secretly.”
3. Who appeared to Joseph in a dream?
4. “And she will bring forth a Son, and you shall call His name __, for He will save His people from their __.”
5. The baby would also be called a name that means “God with us.” What is that name?

Solution: Mary; Joseph, just, public; an angel of the Lord; Jesus, sins; Immanuel

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But have you ever asked the question why do we pray? James 5:16 answers this. “The prayer of a righteous person has great power as it is working.”

There are just some things that will not happen unless the righteous person prays.

Will you spend time in prayer? Remember God’s phone number: 3-3-3. (Jer. 33:3, call on God and He will answer).
—Mark T. Tonkery



A Human Jesus

The Gospel Accounts present a truly human Jesus, not a ghostly figure who only appeared to be flesh and blood.

Jesus spoke of His own body (Mark 14:8), head (Luke 7:44–46), hands, feet, flesh, and bones (Luke 24:39), and blood (Matthew 26:28).

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Stay Bold and Stay ‘Old’

There is a saying among those who fly planes, “There are old pilots, and there are bold pilots—but there are no old, bold pilots.” While humorous, it makes a good point. Those who choose to fly by the seat of their pants run the risk of being prematurely laid to rest.

My prayer for you is that you become an “old,” bold Christian. By that I mean that you stay faithful to the Lord, committed to His ways, and unabashed about Jesus Christ. Too many Christians take daring chances flying too close to the world and they end up with a wrecked faith.

As Ephesians chapter 3 opens up, Paul is discussing the mystery of the gospel now being revealed. As a consequence of that, faith in Christ is being developed in people. Paul then makes this statement concerning this thought: “in whom we have boldness and access with confidence through faith in Him. Therefore I ask that you do not lose heart...” (v.12-13).

Paul wanted the Ephesians to become “old,” bold Christians. “Old” as in remaining faithful to the end (whenever that would be for them). Bold as in confident in their Savior. “Old” as in enduring with Jesus no matter what. Bold as in expressing to one and all just who Jesus is and what He can do.

What about you? Are you confident that you will become “old” in your Christianity in that you will never give up on Jesus, no matter the circumstance? Are you bold in publicly living faithful to His will and telling others about Him? There’s an added benefit in doing such, for the latter part of v.13 states that if they (and us) live that way, then it will be to “your glory.” So, stay with Christ, express your love for Him, and you will become an “old,” bold, gold Christian!

—Edd Sterchi, Broadway church of Christ, Campbellsville, KY



High Anxiety and Blessed Relief

Christians are not completely immune to anxiety. However, as Holy Spirit-filled followers of the will of God, we do have access to a God who cares for us and who will help us cope with this human reality. Consider, for instance, some things that have been discovered about human anxiety. Objective studies indicate that the average person's anxiety is focused on...

- 40% – things that will never happen.
- 30% – things about the past that can't be changed.
- 12% – things about criticism by others, mostly untrue.
- 10% – about health, which gets worse with stress.
- 8% – about real problems that will be faced.

The greatest “real problem” is the reality of sin in the life and the consequences thereof. This is the heaviest burden one can bear. By grace, God gave us Jesus Christ who pleads: “Come to Me, all of you who are weary and burdened, and I will give you rest. All of you, take up My yoke and learn from Me, because I am gentle and humble in heart, and you will find rest for yourselves. For My yoke is easy and My burden is light” (Matt. 11:28-30).
—Johnny Hester



Times Have Changed

“Times have changed” is a common refrain from those who find themselves in contradiction with the Word of God. This happens especially when moral standards are involved.

First of all, one might question what folks mean when they say “Times have changed.” Are they talking about a changing culture? Are they talking about changing attitudes—one's view of the world? It is most likely the latter.

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“Times” Continued from Page 4... The idea that times have changed seems to indicate to many folks that somehow God's standards have changed with regards to the sanctity of marriage, sexual improprieties, and myriads of other sins. There is a fundamental truth that is lost in this thinking which leads many to lives of sin: “Whosoever commiteth sin transgresseth also the law: for sin is the transgression of the law” (1 John 3:4). Clearly, sin is sin, regardless how much human attitudes may change. Not only so, neither God nor his Word changes: “For I am the Lord, I change not...” (Mal. 3:6); “God is not man, that he should lie; neither the son of man that he should repent: hath he said, and shall he not do it? Or hath he spoken, and shall he not make it good? (Numbers 23:19); “Heaven and earth shall pass away, but my words shall not pass away” (Matthew 24:34).

It is certain that there will be the judgment day coming. Sadly for many, what people think will not be the standard. Jesus said, “He that rejecteth me and receiveth not my words, hath one that judgeth him: the word that I have spoken, the same shall judge hm in the last day” (John 12:48).
—A. C. Quinn



Have You Memorized God's Number?

Do you have a phone number you have memorized? Mine was my grandparent's phone number, 363-3009. They have been dead for several years now. I have not used that number for a long time, but I still know their old number. Many people today do not memorize phone numbers much, we often store them in our phones.

Keith Park once asked, “Have you memorized God's phone number? 3-3-3. Jeremiah 33:3, God said, “Call to me and I will answer you.” Prayer is calling up God and talking to Him. When we call God He always answers and always answers on His timetable. Sometimes God answers prayers with a “no,” “yes,” or “maybe later.”

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