



Scottie Barner. Breast cancer.

Brandi Beavers. Health concerns.

The Beavers Children. Health concerns.

Debbie Brooks. Health concerns.

Sibbie Byrd. Nursing home. Health concerns.

Drew Clifton. Need of prayer.

Hester Hollandsworth. Health concerns.

Matthew Hollandsworth. Health concerns.

Steven Kelly. Cancer.

Ryan Kendrick. Special needs.

Rita Lawless. Health concerns.

Karen Lovell. Health concerns.

Paul Mays. Health concerns.

Ruby Mason. Health concerns.

Jaydan Patrick. Special needs.

Arnold Pigg. Liz's brother. Health concerns.

Carolyn Roop. Hospitalized with another stroke.

Joe & Marcia Shulam. Health concerns.

Sharon Teschendorf. Dementia.

Velvet Wyatt. Recovering from a broken arm.

Wayne Youngblood. Parkinson's & Dementia.

Caregivers.

Our Country, Leaders & Military

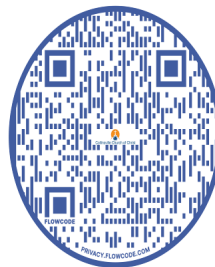


To have someone added to the prayer list or to have information updated, please contact Matthew. Names will be removed after four weeks if no updates are received.



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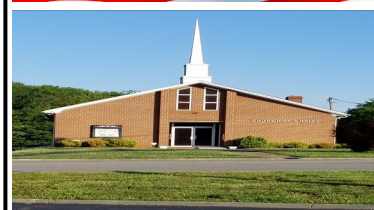
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Times We Meet:

Sunday:

Bible Study: 9:30 a.m.

Worship: 10:30 a.m.

Thursday:

Ladies' Class: 10:00 a.m.

Virtual Psalms Class:
12:30 p.m. on Facebook.



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What Are We Constant In?

For many of life's endeavors, success is about consistency. Can you do something not just once but over and over again for a prolonged period of time? Everything, all the time, without fail?

How about success in pleasing the Lord? What would God's will be that we do, always, without quitting, in all circumstances?


Well, luckily for us we have that answer. In 1 Thessalonians 5:16-18, we read: "Rejoice always; pray without ceasing; in everything give thanks; for this is God's will for you in Christ Jesus."

These might not be the things we would have come up with if left to our own thoughts. Yet here in black and white, the Bible says we are to always be rejoicing, never quitting on prayer, and to be thankful in all things.

Are these things our constants? Or are we more consistent in negativity, complaining, and fault-finding? Do we have a steady joyous, thankfully appreciative to God attitude or a steady one of glumness, disappointment, and demanding? *"Constant" Continues on Page 2...*

“Constant” Continued from Front Page... What we are is not what we are in the momentary, but in consistency.

Are we really day in and day out what God wants for us? —Barry Haynes

 **From Slaves of the Devil to Slaves of God**

Christians should condemn slavery, yet there is a kind of slavery that the Christian should be involved in. This type of slavery involves a person’s willingness to either be a slave of God or a slave of the devil. The word translated servant in King James Version in this passage literally means slave or bondservant, and in the case of the Christian it is a voluntary slavery.

No one has a choice when it comes to being a slave. One will become a slave of the devil or a slave of God. This has been evident since the Garden of Eden (Gen. 3). Jeremiah was right when he wrote that it was not in man to direct his steps (Jer. 10:23). Man must decide to either become a slave of the devil or of Christ because as Christ pointed out in Matthew 6:24, man cannot serve two masters. As Paul taught in our text, we will either become slaves of sin or slaves unto righteousness.

It should be noted also that all have been slaves to sin at some point in their lives. This is pointed out in Romans 3:23 where Paul points out that all have sinned. Romans 6:19 says, “I speak in human terms because of the weakness of your flesh. For just as you presented your members as slaves of uncleanness, and of lawlessness leading to more lawlessness, so now present your members as slaves of righteousness for holiness.” Christians need to remember that they are under grace, and they need to get out of the sinning business (Rom. 6:15).



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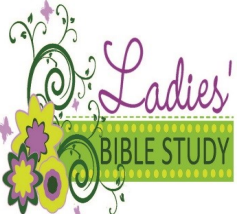




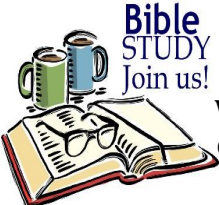
March Birthday!
9th Debbie Brooks
29TH Jaydan Patrick



March Anniversary!
24TH Terry & Ruby Mason



Thursday Ladies' Bible Class!
Class starts at: 10:00 a.m.
Come early at: 9:30 a.m.
for coffee & donuts!



Thursday Mid-week Virtual Bible Class!
Virtual Class on Psalms, Thursdays around 12:30 p.m. on our Facebook Page.



Men's Breakfast
Our Next Men's Breakfast is scheduled for Sat March 22nd! At a new time! Join us at Clarence's Steakhouse in Ridgeway at 9:00 a.m. for food & fellowship.



Game & Snacks Time
Our Game Time is back at a new time on Sat. March 22nd at 3:00 p.m. in the fellowship hall. Bring your favorite games & snacks to share.





5th Sunday Potluck
Following our Bible Study & Worship Gatherings on March 30th, we are hosting our 5th Sunday Potluck Lunch.



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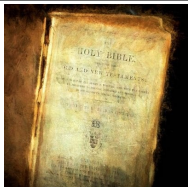




Did You Know This About 2 Chronicles?

Though David was not allowed to build the temple of God due to the blood on his hands, David’s son Solomon completed the temple according to God’s plan. Second Chronicles 7 records the dedication of the house of God. One amazing fact about the dedication is that on that day, Solomon offered a sacrifice of 22,000 bulls and 100,000 sheep. At today’s equivalent prices, this represents over \$125 million worth of cattle and about \$48 million in sheep! That is a huge sacrifice! Are we sacrificial with the things God has blessed us with?

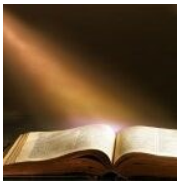
—Matt Clifton



The Best of All

Blessed Bible, sacred treasure,
Precious book, of all the best,
There is comfort never failing,
And a calm abiding rest.
Read with reverence, and commit it,
Verse by verse, and day by day;
‘Tis the word that God has spoken,
And it cannot pass away.

—Fanny Crosby



The Spirit’s Light

The Spirit breathes upon the Word,
And brings the truth to sight;
Precepts and promises afford
A sanctifying light.

A glory gilds the sacred page
Majestic like the sun;
It gives a light to every age
It gives, but borrows none.

—William Cowper

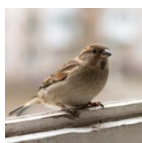


“Spring is when you feel like whistling even with a shoe full of slush.”
— Doug Larson

“The first day of spring is one thing, and the first spring day is another. The difference between them is sometimes as great as a month.”
— Henry Van Dyke

“Slaves” Continued from Page 2... Finally, we want to compare the differences between a slave of the devil (sin) and a slave of God (righteousness) as seen in Romans 6. A slave of sin lives according to the lust of the flesh, instead of the will of God (Rom. 6:12,13). Those who serve Christ will yield themselves as instruments of righteousness. Next, a slave of sin lives for themselves, but a slave of righteousness lives for Christ and others (Rom. 6:16). Lastly, those who live as slaves of the devil or of sin will die spiritually, whereas slaves of God will find everlasting life (Romans 6:21-23).

How does one choose to whom they belong? Listen to Paul’s words in Romans 6:17: “But God be thanked that though you were slaves of sin, yet you obeyed from the heart that form of doctrine to which you were delivered.” Today, I challenge you to live for Jesus and become His willing slave to follow Him even to death (Rev. 2:10).
—Billy Cline





What Are You Worth?

“Are not two sparrows sold for a copper coin? And not one of them falls to the ground apart from your Father’s will. But the very hairs of your head are all numbered. Do not fear therefore; you are of more value than many sparrows” (Matthew 10:29-31).

The term “sparrow” is the name given to several different species of birds in the Bible. Like our barn sparrows, these birds would often build their nests on the eaves of houses and barns. Interestingly, they were not driven away when they built their nests in the Temple (Psalms 84:3). These insignificant little birds were sold for a very low price—two of them for a copper coin (Matthew 10:29). A copper coin, translated as a “penny” in some texts, was a very small Roman coin worth about 1/16 of a silver denarius ... a very small sum.

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<div> <div> <div>“Worth” Continued from Page 3...</div> <div> <p>The point of Matthew 10 is not to be missed. If God is concerned about the tiny sparrow and knows all about each little bird, how much greater must His concern be for you and me! We are immeasurably greater in value than a sparrow! Jesus teaches us this profound truth – in God’s eyes, no one is insignificant! You are worth more to Him than all the treasures of the world! (Matthew 16:26).</p> <p>—Larry Fitzgerald</p> </div> </div> </div>	<div> <div>   <div>Matthew 13:1-9</div>  </div> <div> <ol style="list-style-type: none"> On this day Jesus went out and sat by the __. “And great __ were gathered together to Him, so that He got into a __ and sat; and the whole multitude stood on the shore.” “Behold, a __ went out to sow. And as he sowed, some <i>seed</i> fell by the way-side; and the __ came and devoured them.” “Some fell on __ places, where they did not have much earth; and they immediately sprang up because they had no __ of earth.” “But others fell on __ ground and yielded a __: some a hundredfold, some sixty, some thirty.” </div> <div> <div>CHECK YOUR ANSWERS ON PAGE 7!</div> </div> </div>
<div> <div>  <div> <div>Watered-Down Preaching</div> <div> <p>“We have watered the truth down until the solution is so weak that if it were poison, it would not kill you, and if it were medicine, it would not cure you.” — A. W. Tozer</p> </div> </div> </div> <div> <div>Five characteristics of watered-down preaching:</div> <ol style="list-style-type: none"> It has few, if any, Scripture in it (2 Tim. 4:2; Rom. 4:3; Gal. 4:30). Those who water-down their preaching are afraid that Scripture may offend someone. It scratches itching ears rather than piercing sinful hearts (2 Tim. 4:3; Isa. 30:8-11; Micah 2:11; 1 Kings 22:1-8; Acts 2:36-38; 5:33; 7:54). It has very little distinctive doctrine in it. It may require one Lord, but not one body, one baptism, or one faith (Eph. 4:4-7; Matthew. 28:18-20; Phil. 2:9-11). It references some Scripture, but not all Scripture (Acts 20:20, 26-27, 35). It omits verses dealing with marriage, divorce, and remarriage (Matthew. 19:9), hell (Rev. 21:8), homosexuality (Rom. 1:26-27), and other passages that may offend. It emphasizes one side of God’s nature, but not the other. It emphasizes His goodness, but not His severity (Rom. 2:4-5; 11:22), His love, but not His anger (Psa. 7:11), and His patience, but not his holiness (Habakkuk 1:13). <div>—Wade Webster</div> </div> </div>	<div> <div> <div> <div>FAST</div> <div>BIBLE</div> <div>FACTS</div> <div>with</div> <div>MATT</div> <div>JUDSONIA</div> </div> <div> <div>Did You Know This About 1 Chronicles?</div> <div> <p>Among many other events in this book of history, 1 Chronicles 10 records the death of Saul, the first king of Israel.</p> <p>Saul had so much potential! He was tall and handsome (1 Sam. 9:2), had some humility about him (1 Sam 9:21), and more importantly he was the one the Lord had chosen (1 Sam. 10:24).</p> <p>And yet, Saul disobeyed God and lost the Lord’s support. In his descent into madness and evil, Saul tried to kill David multiple times, and eventually was wounded in a battle with the Philistines to such an extent that Saul committed suicide to keep from being captured.</p> <p>There is a huge lesson in this to us all. When we focus on self and ignore obedience to God, we will always end up going the wrong direction! —Matt Clifton</p> </div> </div> </div> <div> <div> <div> <div>Jesus answered “ ... For this I was born and for this I came into the world, to testify to the truth. Everyone who belongs to the truth listens to my voice.”</div> <div>John 18:37</div> </div> <div> <div>Seek the Truth...</div> </div> </div> <div>  <div>MATTHEW 28:19</div> </div> </div> </div>