

Vancleave Weekly Bulletin

Dedicated to Spiritual Encouragement and Christian Ministry

The Gospel of Christ by Duane Patton

Over the next several weeks the articles presented in the Newsletter will focus on matters of faith related to the good news of Jesus' death, burial and resurrection. We don't normally associate death and burial with "good news," but these things are associated with our salvation from sin. Likewise, the bodily resurrection of Jesus is connected to our faith such that, without it, there simply would be no point to living the Christian life! As the biblical text plainly indicates, "If in this life only we have hope in Christ, we are of all men most miserable" (1 Corinthians 15:19, KJV).

In the course of discussing the Gospel there is a need to clarify some related matters of faith. These include hearing the Gospel of Christ, belief in Christ and in His soul-saving message, repentance from sin as taught by Christ, confession of faith in Jesus as the Christ, and what the Bible says about baptism, or water immersion as it relates to the good news Jesus and the apostles announced to the world. We will address each only briefly.

The message of the cross (that is, the Gospel of Christ) may sound "foolish" to some. As Paul the apostle wrote to those Christians at Corinth who regularly assembled themselves together, "the message of the cross is foolishness to those who are perishing, but to us who are being saved it is the power of God." (1 Corinthians 1:18, NKJV). Similarly, the matters of faith to be discussed (as noted above), might seem foolish to some. But they should not be understood as foolish. Rather, these are regarded by the Holy Spirit (who ensured their survival in the biblical text) just as important as the death, burial and resurrection of Jesus! Remember, "All Scripture is breathed out by God and profitable for teaching, for reproof, for correction, and for training in righteousness, that the man of God may be complete, equipped for every good work" (2 Timothy 3:16, ESV).

In view of the next several articles to be presented, let us be armed with this conviction: "I am not ashamed of the Gospel, for it is the power of God for salvation to everyone who believes, to the Jew first and also to the Greek" (Romans 1:16).

March 28, 2021

Weekly Ministry Information



*Sunday:

AM Bible Class	9:00
AM Worship	10:00
PM Worship	6:00

*Wednesday:

PM Prayer & Devo	6:00
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***The above schedule to begin the April 4th**

Maintaining Good Works:

- Annual Youth Events
- Bible Class* (for all ages)
- Local Food Pantry
- Back-Pack Buddies
- Gulf Coast Bible Camp
- Sunnybrook Children's Home
- Foreign Mission Support:

India

Guyana, South America

YouTube Channel:

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Announcements and Prayer Requests

The eyes of the LORD are upon the righteous, and his ears are open unto their cry ~ P salms 34:15

- Please continue to remember these and others previously listed who are still in need of prayer:

- ✓ **David Robinson:** To have oral surgery tomorrow to remove 6 teeth.
- ✓ **Shelby Brown:** Awaiting results from recent bloodwork.
- ✓ **Kelsi Anderson:** Recovering at home from recent wreck and hospitalization.
- ✓ **Jeff Olson:** Being released from hospital today. Continued prayers are welcomed!
- ✓ **Henry Tanner:** Prayers for peace and comfort requested. Hospice called in on Friday.

Others:

If you have any updates on past or current prayer requests or other announcements, please share them by sending an email to vco_Christ@att.net or simply text or leave a voice message at **601-436-0868**.

Previous prayer requests and announcements may not be reflected in the above list. Please refer to earlier published bulletins for these as well as other announcements and other ministry opportunities.

- **WEEKLY WORD OF ENCOURAGEMENT:** While the prices of goods and services in our world continue to rise, making everyday living more and more costly, keep in mind that eternal life is still a free gift – and it always will be!

“For the wages of sin is death, but the free gift of God is eternal life in Christ Jesus our Lord”
Romans 6:23, *ESV*

EVEN AS WE ANTICIPATE A RETURN TO FULL SCHEDULE OF SERVICE TIMES, CONTINUE TO OBSERVE GOOD HYGIENCE, SOCIAL DISTANCING, LEAVING PEW SEPARATORS IN PLACE AND LIMITING DIRECT / HAND-TO-HAND CONTACT WITH ONE ANOTHER TO MINIMIZE RISKS OF COVID-19.

Daily Bible Reading Plan for 2021

Week 13

Day	Passage	Thoughts for Meditation
MONDAY	Joshua 13-15	How are the wars for these lands justified?
TUESDAY	Joshua 16-18	What about this passage is most moving to you?
WEDNESDAY	Joshua 19-21	Why do you think it was important that Israel fight for promised land?
THURSDAY	Joshua 22-24	How might buddhists react if we told them to destroy their images of Buddha?
FRIDAY	Judges 1-3	Why did God want the inhabitants of Canaan removed from the land?
SATURDAY	Judges 4-5	How might Deborah become a good example for Christian women today?
SUNDAY	Judges 6-8	What was God demonstrating by the strange method of picking soldiers?

I will meditate in thy precepts, and have respect unto thy ways. P salms 119:15