Whispering Hills

Church of Christ



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Gathering Times

Sunday Bible Class 09:30 AM Sunday Worship 10:30 AM Sunday Evening Worship 5:00 PM Wednesday Evening 7:00 PM

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Welcome Christians!

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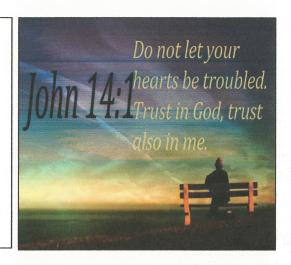
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Weekly Bible Reading

23 March 2020	Isaiah 7 - 12
24 March 2020	Isaiah 13 - 18
25 March 2020	Isaiah 19 - 24
26 March 2020	Isaiah 25 - 30
27 March 2020	Isaiah 31 - 37
28 March 2020	Isaiah 38 - 44
29 March 2020	Isaiah 45 - 51



Our religious conviction: God chose to save the world by sending His son Jesus to die on the cross for our sins (Rom 10:17). Those who choose to listen and obey the Gospel message SHALL be saved (Acts 2:38). God adds them to the Church of the Bible which His Son is coming for one day (2 The 1: 7 - 10)

HOW TO BE SAVED

- 1. Hear (Rom 10:17; Jn 6:45)
- 2. Believe (Jn 8:24; Heb 11:6)
- 3. Repent (Lk 13:3,5; Ac 2:38)
- 4. Confess (Mt 10:32; Rom 10:9, 10)
- 5. Baptized (Mk 16:16; 1 Pet 3:21)

Attention Guest

Please take a few minutes to fill out an attendance card today and place it in the contribution basket.

Thanks for visiting with us!

The grace of the Lord Jesus Christ, and the love of God, and the communion of the Holy Spirit be with you all.

2 Corinthians 13:14



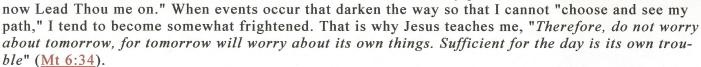
Trusting God When Afraid

"Whenever I am afraid, I will trust in You" (Psa 56:3). Jesus told us, "And do not fear those who kill the body but cannot kill the soul. But rather fear Him who is able to destroy both soul and body in hell"

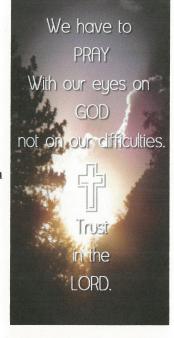
(Mt 10:28). The fact is that "God has not given us a spirit of fear, but of power and of love and of a sound mind" (2 Tim 1:7). Indeed, as John reminds us, "There is no fear in love; but perfect love casts out fear, because fear involves torment. But he who fears has not been made perfect in love" (1 Jn 4:18). In other words, there is really nothing in this life of which the child of God needs to be afraid.

While the Christian knows these things to be true, fear is still a natural human emotion to certain situations. When we are threatened with danger, when economic conditions point to a possible loss of job, when we are stricken with a serious illness, or when other problems arise which might disrupt our normal lives, we are likely to become afraid. What makes us most fearful about all such situations is that we simply do not know what the future holds. As long as things are going reasonably well, we usually assume that they will continue to do so and are not fearful. However, difficulties cause us more to look to the future and remind us that we do not know what will happen, so we feel afraid.

It is certainly true that "you do not know what will happen tomorrow. For what is your life? It is even a vapor that appears for a little time and then vanishes away" (Jas 4:14). John Henry Newman noted, "I was not ever thus, nor ever asked that Thou Shouldst lead me on; I loved to choose and see my path; but



The Psalmist knew that times would arise when he would be afraid. However, his determination was that in such times he would trust the Lord. In fact, he went on to say, "In God (I will praise His word), in God I have put my trust: I will not fear. What can flesh do to me?" (v. 4). The Hebrew writer quotes this statement to remind us that we need to trust God whenever we are afraid. "Let your conduct be without covetousness; be content with such things as you have. For He Himself has said, 'I will never leave you nor forsake you.' So we may boldly say, 'The Lord is my helper; I will not fear. What can man do to me?" (Heb 13:5, 6).







Continuous Prayers: Walter Simon, Mack & Carolyn Clouds, I.V. Jones (Bro Jones' dad), Ann Busby,

Patricia Hurd, Ron Daly (friend of Bro Hunter [Indianapolis, IN]), Bro Ron Forge,

Ray & Ruby Busby (family of the Busby's), Shelia Harris, Kevin Lopez (friend of Sis. Miller), Joel Sotelo Vazquez (Bro Ramsey's brother-in-law [Mexico City, Mexico]) Bro Archie Greene (Unity and Leadership [Charles Town, WV])

Sick: Arthur Henry, Brenda Martin, Baby Zarkiah, Dan Allen, Jerry Birdow, Jose (Bro Santos' friend),

<u>General</u>: Demetria Washington, Greg Owens (Bro Owens' brother), Kelvin & Michael Porter (Sis Owens' brothers), Simon Young, Randy Murray,

Door Knocking Campaign Prayer List: James & Charlotte Eaton

UPDATES:

- 1. Sis Joyce Fair: Home recovering, but has visited with each on occasions
- 2. Sis Ruth Davenport: Recovering process is slow, but somewhat better
- 3. Edward Tisby: Sis Stafford's & Rowlette's brother (home care)
- 4. Joel Sotelo Vazquez—Currently is home (stomach cancer)
- 5. Darius Bell: Son of Bro/Sis Bell (injured knee); possible surgery
- 6. Sam Lily: Stepson of Sis Guthrie was burnt during work; has a long recovery process ahead

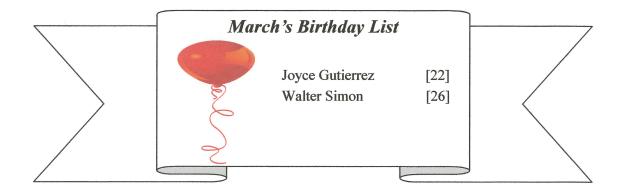
Upcoming Activities/Announcements

- 1. Door Knocking Campaign Postponed until further notice.
- 2. Duncanville Lectureship 2020:

Theme: "In The Beginning"

Date: August 6 - 8, 2020 [Thursday, Friday & Saturday]

Location: 2126 S. Main St Duncanville, TX 75317 [Whispering Hills Church of Christ]



SERMON NOTES

A Leader Must first be a Teachable Follower



1 Cor 9:16 - 18 "For though I preach the gospel, I have nothing to glory of: for necessity is laid upon me; yea, woe is unto me, if I preach not the gospel! What is my reward then? Verily that, when I preach the gospel, I may make the gospel of Christ without charge, that I abuse not my power in the gospel."

Subject:

LIVE IN THE TRUTH

Scripture Reference:

2 Corinthians 13:8

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INTRODUCTION:

- 1. [We] need to realize there is TRUTH in the Spiritual realm.
 - A. This TRUTH gives the answers to the mysteries of the soul and to the unseen world.

BODY:

1. WHAT IS THE TRUTH?

- A. As [we] study **TRUTH**, when using the word "**TRUTH**" in the gospel (God's Word), I Am referring to what will make man free (Jn 8:32; 17:17; Eph 1:13).
- B. As [we] think of **TRUTH**, [we] ask from where did it come?
 - 1. **TRUTH**, as well as everything else, had to come from some place.
 - 2. According to John, TRUTH came by Jesus (Jn 1:17).
- C. With **TRUTH** in mind, [we] must ask, what will it do for man?
 - 1. As already noted, it will set us free (Jn 8:32).
 - A. [We] are faced with the question of what are we being set free from?
 - 1. The guilt of and service to sin (Jn 8:33-36).
 - 2. **TRUTH** will sanctify man.
 - A. The term sanctification simply means to set apart for the service of God.
 - 1. God's Word will do this for us (Jn 17:17).
 - 3. TRUTH will purify (1 Pet 1:22) and protect man (Eph 6:14).
- D. It is evident, if there is to be any results from truth, it must be obeyed (Mt 7:21).
 - 1. Thinking of **TRUTH**, obeying it will make it beneficial (Rom 6:17; Heb 5:9).

2. HOW PEOPLE HAVE REACTED TO TRUTH

- A. Throughout time, people have reacted differently to the **TRUTH**.
 - 1. In the N.T. [we] see some have received and obeyed it (Ac 2:41; Rom 6:17).
 - A. These are those of whom it could be said, they walked in it.
 - 2. Some became infuriated by it (Ac 7:54); Some resisted it (2 Tim 3:8).
 - 4. Some turned their ears from it (2 Tim 4:4); Some erred in regards to it (Jas 5:19).
 - 6. Some spoke evil of it (2 Pet 2:2).

3. TRUTH IS NECESSARY FOR LIFE AND GODLINESS

- A. [We] find God's **TRUTH** in regards pertaining to Life and Godliness (2 Pet 1:3).
 - 1. Church membership (Ac 2:47); Baptism's role in salvation (Ac 2:38).
 - 2. The fruit of the Spirit in contrast to the works of the flesh (Gal 5:19-23).
 - 3. The necessity of worship (Heb 10:25); The Christian Graces (2 Pet 1:5 10).

4. WALKING IN THE TRUTH

- A. [We] see an apostolic commendation concerning those who walked it (3 Jn 3, 4).
- B. Walking in the **TRUTH** involves:
 - 1. Walking by faith (Rom 4:12); in newness of life (Rom 6:4).
 - 2. Walk after the Spirit (Rom 8:4); in love (Eph 5:2); as children of light (Eph 5:8).
 - 3. Walking worthy of the Lord (Col 1:10); in the light (1 Jn 1:7).
 - 4. Walking after the commandments (2 Jn 6).

CONCLUSION:

- 1. As [we] conclude, let's look at the ultimate end of **TRUTH** (2 The 2:13).
 - A. It will condemned some (2 The 2:12); **BUT** some it will save (2 The 2:13)/