

~ Kevin's Kolumn ~

Thanks-Living

Thomas Watson once said, "Faith is to prayer what the feather is to the arrow; it feathers the arrow of prayer, and makes it fly swifter and enables it to pierce the throne of grace." In this holiday time of what we call "Thanksgiving", it's sometimes hard to see through the veneer of life to recognize the hand of God. Life certainly isn't easy, is it? Obligations scream out at us. Deadlines need met. Children need attention. Bills need paid. On top of the daily requirements of everyday living we're sometimes faced with odds which seem overwhelming. A bad report from the doctor, financial crisis' which seem insurmountable, grief over a loved one who has died. In today's message we're going to ask a question the Israelites asked in Psalm 78:19, "Can God spread a table in the wilderness?" In times that appear impossible, God's power comes crashing in through ways that we're often oblivious to. The 'negative grace' of God leading us to our own "Red Sea" often leaves us feeling fearful, irritable or simply alone. Recognize that God always has reasons for doing what He does. It may not make sense to us while we're going through a wilderness experience, but there's always purpose in what God is doing. I don't like negative experiences I go through in life, but I love knowing that God is with me regardless as to how insurmountable my situation appears. When we are weak, He is strong. Rely less on your own strength and more on His.

Have a blessed day and remember the One who gave it to you!

Kevin

News and Notes

Free Market – Our annual Christmas Free Market will be held on Saturday, December 3rd. If you would like to donate items, please leave them in the Upper Fellowship Hall. PLEASE NO TELEVISIONS!! If you have any questions or would like to help, see Mary Lough.

Sunset International Bible Institute Classes – We will NOT be having class during the month of December. We will resume on January 5, 2017 from 6:30 PM – 8:30 PM. Topic of study will be the book of Ephesians (12 week class) and the book of Isaiah (24 week class). If you would like more information, please see Darrell Conaway. Everyone is welcome to attend.

Happy Thanksgiving!

Prayer Requests

- ♥Pray for each of the following: Pam Jackson, Joann Hall, Margret Brand, Darrell Freeman, Noah Miller Jr., John Pheasant, Marsha Kisner, Sharon Little, Dallas Shaffer, Kaylyn Lipscomb, Buck & Kim Osborne, Asher Deaton, Edith Gull, Robert Moore, Edwina Summers, Rolle Sullivan, and Nicholas Lough.
- ♥Judy Securro asks that we keep her son, Jimmy in our prayers at this time.
- ♥Gerry Wyer (Dianne Tonkery's mother) is going through cancer treatments at this time.
- ♥Mandy Rennix asks that we keep her grandfather (Lester Hurst) in our prayers as he will be receiving a pace maker soon. Also remember Mandy in your prayers after incurring a recent fall from a ladder.
- ♥Pearl Gooden is in physical therapy following her recent surgery.
- ♥Jeff Tucker asks that we keep a manager at Walmart in our prayers. Kenny Brown suffered a massive heart attack Doctors said Kenny had a 98% blockage.
- ♥Linda Huber asks that we keep her neighbor in our prayers as he struggles with (Lewy body Disease).

Worship Order – Sunday November 20, 2016

Bible Class

Opening Song - #238 "You Are The Song That I Sing"

Dismissal Prayer

Worship Assembly

Song #121 "Come, Let Us All Unite To Sing"

Announcements

Song #532 "All People That On Earth Do Dwell"

Prayer

Song #483 "Is It For Me?"

Lord's Supper

Collection

Song #68 "Give Thanks"

Song #781 "Thank You, Lord"

Morning Lesson

Invitation Song - #928 "For Those Tears I Died"

Closing Song - #738 "Take The Name Of Jesus With You"

Dismissal Prayer