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“The churches of Christ salute you” Rom. 16:16

A CORDIAL WELCOME AWAITS YOU

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The Lord Judges the Mind and the Heart

During the time of Noah the population of the earth reached a degree of wickedness from which they would not return. This level of evil resulted in a world full of violence. The Bible records, “the LORD saw that the wickedness of man was great in the earth, and that every intent of the thoughts of his heart was only evil continuously (Genesis 6:5.)” Clearly God must have been able to see directly into the hearts and minds of the people to know that every intent of the thoughts of their hearts was evil.

When Samuel went to anoint one of the sons of Jesse to be the replacement for King Saul, Samuel focused on the outward appearance, but God was looking into the hearts. The Bible says, “So it was, when they came, that he looked at Eliab and said, ‘Surely the LORD’S anointed is before him!’ But the LORD said to Samuel, ‘Do not look at his appearance or at his physical stature, because I have refused him. For the LORD does not see as man sees; for man looks at the outward appearance, but the LORD looks at the heart (1 Samuel 16:6-7).’”

As King David was giving instructions to his son and successor he said, “As for you, my son Solomon, know the God of your father, and serve Him with a loyal heart and with a willing mind; for the LORD searches all hearts and understands all the intents of the thoughts. If you seek Him, He will be found by you; but if you forsake Him, He will cast you off forever (1 Chronicles 28:9).”

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David wrote in the Psalms, “Let the words of my mouth and the meditation of my heart be acceptable in your sight, O LORD, my strength and my Redeemer (Psalm 19:14).” David also wrote, “Examine me, O LORD, and prove me. Try mind and my heart (Psalm 26:2).” Both of these passages show us God can see into the hearts of people.

The book of Proverbs contains many warnings that prove God is able to look into the hearts of men and women and judge their hearts. We are told, “Those who are of a perverse heart are an abomination to the Lord and “everyone proud in heart is an abomination to the Lord (Proverbs 11:20; 16:5).” Proverbs 20:7 specifically tells us God can search all the inner depths of the heart of man.

Jeremiah said, the LORD judges the mind and the hear righteously (Jeremiah 11:20). He also wrote, “The heart is deceitful above all things, and desperately wicked. Who can know it? I, the LORD, search the heart, I test the mind, even to give every man according to his ways, according to the fruit of his doings (Jeremiah 17:9-10).” Jeremiah also told Israel God is able to “see the mind and the heart (Jeremiah 20:12).” We cannot hide anything from God. He can see directly into our heart and He will judge by what he sees in our hearts.

John wrote about the importance of love our brothers and sisters with a love that is seen in our actions toward one another (1 John 3:16-22). When we have this kind of love for one another we know we are of the truth and we know our hearts are assure before God. That is, God will know what is in our hearts and can tell whether brotherly love exists within our hearts. If not, then our hearts condemn us. God sees into the heart and mind of every one lost in the world, but He also sees into the heart and mind of every Christian.

How should we apply this knowledge of the fact that God can see directly into or hearts? We should work to purify our hearts, Only those who are pure in heart will see God and be with Him in eternity (Psalm 24:3-4; Matthew 5:8; 1 John 3:1-3). Paul told Timothy “The end of the commandment is love from a pure heart (1 Timothy 1:5).” We purify our hearts so that we can love and serve God with the full dedication of heart and mind (Deuteronomy 6:5; 11:13; 1 Samuel 12:24; Mark 12:30). God knows if our hearts and minds are pure. God knows if our hearts and minds are focused on loving and serving Him. God judges our hearts and minds.

~Kevin Rutherford

READ THE NEW TESTAMENT IN 2022

April 18 - Luke 14:25-35
April 19 - Luke 15:1-10
April 20 - Luke 15:11-32
April 21 - Luke 16



April 22 - Luke 17:1-19
April 23 - Luke 17:20-37
April 24 - Luke 18:1-23

OUR SICK

Please Remember in Your Prayers

Gary Harper, Ellen Meachum, Meredith, (Brenda, Ginger, Carolyn, and Walter Goff), Dr. Charles Gainor & Son, Izac, Sandy Smith, D.J. Harrison, Nikki Santiago, Jack Piper, Sandy Smith, Ronnie Knost, Elwood Flinchum, Kathy and Wayne Hutchins.



Aldine Cloud is still recovering from his recent surgery, and had to have a procedure done a week ago to remove fluid from around the surgical site and was scheduled to have the procedure again this past week. Please keep him in your prayers.

Brad Hoots' Update: Friday, Brad had his blood pressure dropped to a critical level and was moved back to ICU. He was given meds to stabilize his blood pressure. The doctor prescribed meds for hiccups that he thinks caused the bp to drop. He was better yesterday but is extremely weak and tired. If he continues to be stable, he may be released on Sunday. Remember him in your prayers.

Bonnie Landreth is also recovering from her surgery. Please keep her in your prayers.

Tammy Rogers (Bonnie Landreth's daughter) is confined to a wheelchair; she fell and broke her hip last week and had surgery just recently. She will need a lot of care once she has left the hospital. Please pray for Tammy.

Lou Ann Harper has been moved to Trinity Rehab in Clemmons a week ago Friday night. No visitors at this time. She would also like to thank everyone for the cards, flowers, and prayers following her surgery. Please continue to pray for her and Neal.

Bob Wilson has recently injured his knee and was not able to attend this past Wednesday; but says he may be able to come on Sunday.

Ronnie Knost fell last Tuesday and went to the hospital. Fortunately she did not break any bones but needs to wear a full leg brace - hip to ankle. Please keep her in your prayers.

Doris Cooper has chronic back pain. She went to the doctor and had two shots in the back and then had severe headache from the shots. Please pray for her.

It was announced recently that **David Pharr**, a well-known preacher, has been in the hospital here in Winston-Salem for heart surgery. He has been released from the hospital and is at home recovering. Please keep him in your prayers.

Joey Childress, a friend of John and Mary Anne Allen, recently underwent quadruple bi-pass surgery at the Novant Hospital. Please keep him in your prayers.

Welcome

WE ARE HAPPY TO HAVE YOU VISITING WITH US THIS MORNING. WE INVITE YOU TO RETURN THIS EVENING AT 6:00 P.M. FOR THE SUNDAY EVENING SERVICE AND AT 7:00 P.M. EACH WEDNESDAY EVENING FOR THE MID-WEEK BIBLE STUDY.

WARNERS CHAPEL EVENTS:

April 23 - The Single's Class will meet at 10 a.m. in the Annex for card-making.

April 29th - Ladies' Lunch at the Jack Warren Shelter at 1:30 p.m. Bring your own lunch and it was mentioned that someone may wish to bring dessert. If you have any questions, Please see or call **Lois Allen** or **Mindy Santiago**.

May 14-15 - Senior Rally. The speaker: **brother Wesley Simons** - The theme: **"What we have Learned By Growing Older"**

Saturday:

Lesson 1 - We Have Learned to Respect Authority

Lesson 2 - We Have Learned that it Pays to Serve God.

Lesson 3 - We Have Learned what our Two Major Problems are.

Sunday:

Sunday Morning Bible Class: We Have Learned Something About Child Rearing.

Sunday Morning Worship: We Have Learned How to Grow Spiritually.

The flyer is on the bulletin board in the foyer.

Extra Books Available

Mike Glenn has placed some books on a table in the annex foyer for any one who would like to have some of these books. Our thanks to Mike for making them available.

~IN SYMPATHY~

*Our sympathy goes out to Aldine and Betty Cloud and all the families of **Valeria Cloud Johnson**, who passed away on April 10th following a heart attack. She was a member of the Carver Road Church of Christ. The funeral is not known at this time. Our prayers go out to all the families at this difficult time.*

SUNDAY AND WEDNESDAY SERVICE ASSIGNMENTS

April, 2022

ANNOUNCEMENTS FOR SUNDAY AND WEDNESDAY: MARK ROY

COMMUNION FOR APRIL: DAVID SHOAF

DEVOTIONS:

SCRIPTURE

April 3 - Wayne Allen
April 10 - Mark Minor
April 17 - Andy Santiago
April 24 - Rodney Brown

SONG LEADER

Clayton Workman
Charley Belch
Steve Tesh
Wayne Allen

PRAYER

Todd Hinson
Mark Roy
Kevin Rutherford
David Shoaf

OPENING PRAYERS FOR APRIL:

SUNDAY A.M.

April 3 - Charley Belch
April 10 - Bob Tesh
April 17 - Rodney Brown
April 24 - Steve Tesh

SUNDAY P.M.

April 3 - Brad Hoots
April 10 - Mark Minor
April 17 - Adam Warner
April 24 - Carl Cooper

WEDNESDAY

April 6 - D.C. Mock
April 13 - Mike Lundgren
April 20 - Randy Warner
April 27 - David Moore

SECURITY AND GREETING: RICHARD HAMMAN & SHAWN THOMASON

PLEASE OPEN BUILDING BY 10:30 A.M., 5:40 P.M., AND WEDNESDAY BY 6:40 P.M.

SONG LEADERS FOR APRIL:

SUNDAY A.M.

April 3 - Justin Little
April 10 - Roger Allen
April 17 - Wayne Allen
April 24 - Clayton Workman

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WEDNESDAY

April 6 - David Shoaf
April 13 - Gene Southern
April 20 - Justin Little
April 27 - Roger Allen

PLEASE, IF YOU ARE UNABLE TO BE HERE, ARRANGE COVERAGE!

IF YOU SHOULD BE UNABLE TO SERVE ON ASSIGNED DATES, PLEASE GET SOMEONE TO TAKE YOUR PLACE

“GETTING TO KNOW YOUR BIBLE” at 10:30 p.m. each week night on Cable 8
SEARCH PROGRAM - Sunday Mornings at 7:30 a.m. on Cable 68

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ELDERS

Tim Allen
Todd Hinson
Steve Tesh
Andy Santiago

DEACONS

Randy Warner
Keith Warner
Mark Minor
Jody Everett

Gene Southern
Shawn Thomason
Mark Roy
Adam Warner