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"The churches of Christ salute you" Rom. 16:16

A CORDIAL WELCOME AWAITS YOU

November 21, 2021

Giving All Diligence

Last Sunday night we took a look at 2 Peter to discuss God's great and precious promises. We spoke of the promise in 2 Peter 1:10, "you will never stumble," and showed how this promise was conditional. That is, "if you do these things you shall never stumble." What things? The context is discussing giving all diligence to make sure that specific Christian characteristics are added to our faith (2 Peter 1:5-11). But, not just that they are added to our faith, but that they also abound (2 Peter 2 Peter 1:8).

The benefits to having the qualities under consideration in the text added to our faith include the fact that we will not be unfruitful in our work (2 Peter 1:8). Additionally we will never fall if we abound in these qualities (2 Peter 1:10), and further "an entrance will be supplied to you abundantly into the everlasting kingdom of our Lord and Savior Jesus Christ (2 Peter 1:11)." The benefits of adding these qualities to our faith are so great and so important that Peter tells us we must give all diligence to adding and abounding in them (2 Peter 1:5). Peter also shows the importance of this discussion by telling the Christians he is going to continue to remind of these things while he lives, and the leave them a written reminder when he passes on (2 Peter 1:12-15).

Clearly these qualities are extremely important. We did not have time last Sunday night to fully discuss each quality so take a look at definitions and descriptions below:

1. **Virtue:** This refers to excellence in moral goodness. It is the description of one who adheres to a high moral standard.

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2. Knowledge: In the context, grace and peace are multiplied in the knowledge of God and of Jesus our Lord (2 Peter 1:2), and all things that pertain to life and godliness have been given to us through the knowledge of Jesus (2 Peter 1:3).
3. Self-Control: This is a core characteristic that causes us to give diligence to adding these virtues to our faith, and which enables us to abound in them.
4. Perseverance: This is the idea of being steadfast, pushing forward, continuing to remain faithful in good and in difficult times, but especially with an emphasis on difficult times.
5. Godliness: Showing reverence and respect for God in the way one lives.
6. Brotherly Kindness: Loving our fellow Christians as siblings in the same family. God is our Father and fellow Christians are our brothers and sisters. We must love one another as such.
7. Love: The benevolent, good-will love that looks out for the best interests of others.

Let us first be sure to add all of the qualities to our faith. Once we know that we have added these qualities to our faith let us then work to build on them so that we excel and abound in them. Then, let us continue to try grow beyond that as we seek greater spiritual maturity, and as we continue to examine ourselves in the light of these characteristics. “For if you do these things you will never stumble (2 Peter 1:11).”

~Kevin Rutherford



READ THE NEW TESTAMENT IN 2021

Nov. 22 - Jas. 4
Nov. 23 - Jas. 5
Nov. 24 - 1 Peter 1
Nov. 25 - 1 Peter 2



Nov. 26 - 1 Peter 3
Nov. 27 - 1 Peter 4
Nov. 28 - 1 Peter 5

OUR SICK

Please Remember in Your Prayers

Beverly Allred, Tony Minor, David Queen, Eddie Manor, Johnny Allen, Francis McBrayer, Jeff Chrysson, Diane Barger, \ D.J. Harrison, Ronnie Knost, Elwood Flinchum, Jack Piper, Mary Ellen Dull, Kim Matthews, Kathy & Wayne Hutchins. Don

Jack Piper has been having a great deal of pain in his back and leg lately which has affected his ability to stand and walk but he says he is feeling better and has more strength. He will begin Physical Therapy this coming week at his house. He is looking forward to it helping him. Please keep him in your prayers.

Nikki Santiago has had a portacath installed and had her first chemotherapy treatment this past Thursday. Please keep her in your prayers.

Carolyn Plunk is having several test and is not feeling well at this time. Please keep her in your prayers.

Lauren Rutherford's friend, **Sandy**, who has cancer is going through Chemo and radiation treatments. She is having a scan this week to see if it is working. Please keep her in your prayers.

Nancy Minor's **sister-in-law, Annie Burns**, has cancer and underwent surgery on November 16th. Please remember her in your prayers.

Sandy Sandra's address is Room 220, The Citadel at Winston-Salem, 1900 West 1st Street, Winston-Salem, NC 27104 Please keep her in your prayers. Message from Nancy Minor: "one of her preschool parents works at Citadel and says Sandy could really use some cards to lift her spirits." Please send her a card to help her through these difficult days.

Joe Byrd requests prayers for their neighbor, **Terrie & Melanie Williams**. They were involved in a car wreck and Melanie is in the hospital. Their address is 314 Ray Drive, Winston-Salem, N.C., 27107. Please send them a card.

~IN SYMPATHY~

*Our sympathy goes out to the Cooper family on the death of **Diane Cooper**, who passed away on Nov. 13th at the Forsyth Hospital. Diane Cooper was the wife of Carl Cooper's brother, Perry Cooper. The Cooper family received friends on Wed, Nov. 17th from 11-12 a.m. at the Gentry Funeral Home in East Bend, NC. Following the visitation, a graveside service at 2 p.m. at Westlawn Gardens to Memory in Clemmons, NC with Charley Belch presiding over the service. Please remember the Cooper Family 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:

December 3-5 - Youth Rally

Speaker: Eric Lyons

Theme: "Scripture, Science and Common Sense: Three votes for God"

Adults are encouraged to attend!

Happy Thanksgiving

THE BLESSINGS THAT REMAIN

*There are loved ones who are missing
From the fireside and the feast;
There are faces that have vanished,
There are voices that have ceased;
But we know they passed forever
From our mortal grief and pain,
And we thank thee, O our Father,
For the blessings that remain.*

*Thanksgiving, oh, thanksgiving,
That their love once blessed us here,
That so long they walked beside us,
Sharing every smile and tear;
For the joy the past has brought us,
But can never take away,
For the sweet and gracious memories
Growing dearer every day,*

*For the faith that keeps us patient
Looking at the things unseen,
Knowing Spring shall follow Winter
And the earth again be green,
For the hope of that glad meeting
Far from mortal grief and pain—
We thank Thee, O our Father,
For the blessings that remain.*

—Annie Johnson Flint

SUNDAY AND WEDNESDAY SERVICE ASSIGNMENTS

NOVEMBER, 2021

ANNOUNCEMENTS FOR SUNDAY AND WEDNESDAY: BRAD HOOTS

COMMUNION FOR NOVEMBER: MARK ROY

DEVOTIONS:

SCRIPTURE

Nov. 7 - Bill Carothers
Nov. 14 - Randy Warner
Nov. 21 - Shawn Thomason
Nov. 28 - Allen Cooper

SONG LEADER

Charley Belch
Clayton Workman
Wayne Allen
Nathan Roy

PRAYER

Tim Allen
Andy Santiago
Carl Cooper
D.C. Mock

OPENING PRAYERS FOR NOVEMBER:

SUNDAY A.M.

Nov. 7 - David Moore
Nov. 14 - Allen Knight
Nov. 21 - R.J. Landry
Nov. 28 - Bradley Byrd

SUNDAY P.M.

Nov. 7 - Clayton Workman
Nov. 14 - David Shoaf
Nov. 21 - Wayne Allen
Nov. 28 - Liam Allen

WEDNESDAY

Nov. 3 - Adam Warner
Nov. 10 - Mike Lundgren
Nov. 17 - Tim Allen
Nov. 24 - Nathan Roy

SECURITY AND GREETING: JOE BYRD AND BRIAN BYRD

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

SONG LEADERS FOR NOVEMBER:

SUNDAY A.M.

Nov. 7 - Justin Little
Nov. 14 - Wayne Allen
Nov. 21 - Nathan Roy
Nov. 28 - Gene Southern

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Nov. 24 - Roger Allen

“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