

2 Corinthians 5:18-21

- 18 All this is from God, who reconciled us to himself through Christ and gave us the ministry of reconciliation:
- 19 that God was reconciling the world to himself in Christ, not counting people's sins against them. And he has committed to us the message of reconciliation.
- 20 We are therefore Christ's ambassadors, as though God were making his appeal through us. We implore you on Christ's behalf: Be reconciled to God.
- 21 God made him who had no sin to be sin for us, so that in him we might become the righteousness of God.

Revelation 21:1-3

- 1 Then I saw "a new heaven and a new earth," for the first heaven and the first earth had passed away, and there was no longer any sea.
- 2 I saw the Holy City, the new Jerusalem, coming down out of heaven from God, prepared as a bride beautifully dressed for her husband.
- 3 And I heard a loud voice from the throne saying, "Look! God's dwelling place is now among the people, and he will dwell with them. They will be his people, and God himself will be with them and be their God.

Reference Ephesians 1:4



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WELCOME

We want to take this time to thank you for being here today to worship our Lord and Savior Jesus Christ. If you are visiting we welcome you here and would ask if you would remain after services a brief moment so we might get the chance of meeting you and introducing ourselves to you and welcoming you in person.

Looking for a church home? Want to set up a group or personal bible study? Need some assistance or know of someone who does? Want to know more about your walk with Him? Want to sign up for free online studies to watch on your time? Please take the time to meet with us we would love to see how we may serve you.

I don't know what it is about us when it comes to the concept of reconciliation and sometimes our pushback from it when it comes to others. When it is God who gave it to us and when it comes to us receiving it we are all for it so why then do we avoid any of it when it comes to extending it to others? Just think of it the most essential part of salvation. But is it in our lives? Can we find examples of us giving that to others? We will find instead as Paul writes we are His mouth, His voices we are supposed to be his ambassadors and his voice when it comes to reconciliation to Him and to others. Lets review more about reconciliation and the ministry that is set before all of us.

Worship And Study Opportunities

Sunday:

Bible School.....9:30 A.M
Worship.....10:30 A.M
Evening Worship....6:00 P.M

Wednesday:

Ladies Bible Class.....10:30 A.M.
Mid-Week Bible Class....7:00 P.M.

ELDER OF THE MONTH:.....Charles Kelsey

ANNOUNCEMENTS:.....Tim Curtis

RECORDS OF THE WEEK

Bible School:52
Morning Worship:105
Evening Worship:36
Mid-Week:42
Ladies Class:
Contribution:\$4,880.00
Weekly Budget:\$3,909.00

THOSE WHO SERVE:

Sunday Morning:

Opening Prayer:Bryan Cain
Closing Prayer:Glen Wampler

Sunday Evening:

Opening Prayer:Charles Kelsey
Closing Prayer:Greg Ray

Wednesday Evening:

Opening Prayer:David Byrd
Closing Prayer:Jerry Doughty

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If you would like to see a past sermon you can go to our web site and click on the weekly sermons tab.

PRAYERS NEEDED FOR THE FOLLOWING: Weldon Flanagan and Ed Valdez who are recovering. Roy Bennett, Barbara Bolton, Leroy and Pat, Sue Peddy, Brad & LaDonna and Johnny Burch.

MONDAY NIGHT FOR THE MASTER will be this Monday, July 11 at 6:00 p.m. at the Student Learning Center.

The women bringing cookies are:

Janna Barrington
Cathy Brennan
Kathy Cain
Karee Curtis

BAPTIZED: Kelsey Jackson was baptized at camp this week. As you know, she is David and Becky's granddaughter. We always rejoice when one of our young people become a christian.

JULY BIRTHDAYS

5 - Terri Belflower
6 - Leroy Horn
11 - Becky Kelsey
17 - Brad McKinzie
19 - Cae Sharum
25 - Charlie Kelsey
29 - Claudine Bolton
31 - Daniel Coffey

CALENDAR FOR JULY:

4 - The 4th of July

11 - MNFTM

17 - Luncheon

WESTVIEW BOYS' HOME GROCERY TRUCK will be here the week of August 1, 2016.

SHOPPING LIST:

Cheez Its
Beef Jerky
100 % Juice
Chili No Beans
Summer Sausage
Fruit Snacks Rollups
Pre-Mixed Kool-Aid/Tang
Peanut Butter Crackers
Cheese on Cheese Crackers
Bottled Hidden Valley Ranch Dressing/Italian/Catalina

NON-FOOD:

Lotion
Wasp Spray
Liquid Laundry Soap
AA/AAA/C/D Batteries
39/13 Gallon Trash Bags

CONTINUED PRAYER LIST: Roy Bennett, J.L. & Claudine Bolton, Barbara Bolton, Debbie Bowden, Tim, Karee & Clay Curtis, Kenneth Gregory, Kaiden Higgins, Leroy & Pat Horn, David Kelsey, Brad & LaDonna McKinzie, Letha Owens, Jean Parrish, Sue Peddy, Kenny Richardson, Velma Shook, Dwaine Zacharias, David Byrd's father, Bryan Cain's father, Johnny Burch, Randy Hill, Glenda Kinney, Lenna Kelsey & Sue Peddy's grandson Lee.

EXTENDED CARE:

Kenneth Gregory is in Willow Park in room 2 C.

Joyce Ray is in Cedar Crest in room 115.

Jack Treffinger is in McMahan in room A82B

In Case You Missed It

1 Corinthians 9:24-27 Do you not know that those who run a race all run, but one receives the prize? Run in such a way that you may obtain it. And everyone who competes for the prize is temperate in all things. Now they do it to obtain a perishable crown, but we for an imperishable crown. Therefore I run thus: not with uncertainty. I fight: not as one who beats the air. But I discipline my body and bring it into subjection, lest, when I have preached to others, I myself should become disqualified.

Writing to the Corinthian Church, Paul illustrates this by using the metaphors of running a race and fighting a boxing match. Victory is achieved by bringing your body into submission to the will of God. In their culture much like ours now their culture promoted an intense passion to win. In Greek mythology, Nike was the goddess of victory. She fought on the side of the Olympian gods, triumphing over the mighty Titans and thus became a powerful symbol of victory. Her divine powers were not limited to warfare. She was also solicited by Greek athletes who sought victory in competitive sports. We know that Nike athletic footwear took note of this and named their company after the goddess. The Romans gave Nike the Latin name "Victoria" from which we get our English word - "victory." The apostle Paul, with characteristic cultural awareness, addresses the Corinthians in a language they well understand. He is seeking to harness their passion for victory and transform it for spiritual purposes seeking to motivate them with eternal rewards which the Lord has promised to those who serve Him well. In Jesus we have real Divine power which the ancient pagans could not have dreamed of. It is a power to win where it really counts....But we also need to discipline our bodies, just like they displayed and bringing it under submission, and run the race of faith without looking back - we can be victorious. We will obtain an **eternal crown**, which Paul says that *will never fade!*