



THE MESSENGER

OCTOBER 20, 2024

NEWS AND NOTES

Congregational Meeting

November 10

Our Next Gospel Meeting

October 6-11

Weekly Zoom Bible Study

Wednesday at 2 pm

Times of Service

Sunday

Bible study: 9:45 AM

Worship: 10:45 AM; 6 PM

Wednesday

Bible study: 7:30 PM

(Immediately followed by a short worship service)

First Friday of Month

Singing

October 4

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WHOM SHALL I FEAR? – PART 2

“The Lord is my light and my salvation; whom shall I fear? The Lord is the stronghold of my life; of whom shall I be afraid?” (Psalms 27:1) Last week we noted that the one on God’s side has nothing to fear but if someone is not on God’s side, that person has everything to fear from God. Here are a few more thoughts.

God wants to be on our side. *“The Lord is not slow to fulfill his promise as some count slowness, but is patient toward you, not wishing that any should perish, but that all should reach repentance”* (2 Peter 3:9.) Did you catch that? God doesn’t want any to perish but perish they will unless they turn to God. Jesus said the same thing, *“I tell you no. Except you repent, you will all likewise perish”* (Luke 13:3.) Without hearing and believing God’s son (Matt. 17:5) and being united with him in baptism (Romans 6:3-6,) we have much to fear. It’s not what God wants for He did all he could in giving us His Son to die for us to secure our salvation. Now it is up to us to turn to God.

This is what the psalmist tells us in Psalm 27. God was on his side so there was no one to fear. But the psalmist displayed the attitude of wanting to serve God. He said, *“one thing I have asked of the Lord; that will I seek after; that I may dwell in the house of the Lord all the days of my life, to gaze upon the beauty of the Lord and inquire in his temple”* (Psalms 27:4.) It was not fame, fortune, or the easy life that the psalmist wanted. He asked one thing of God and would seek after that one thing. He said he wanted to be in God’s house always. And there is no better place to be.

Today, the house of the Lord is the “church of the living God” (1 Timothy 3:15) and the church is the dwelling place of God (Ephesians 2:22.) We can be members of the church as we obey

Members Needing Our Prayers

Ron and Sharon Tirey, Julie Patton, Deremia Osbourne, Ralph Fox, Jill Harrison, Joyce Bolton, Rick Small, Benny and Arlena Poynter, Gary Brown, Janett Brundige, Cindy Bradbury, Paul Atkisson

Others Needing Prayer

Stuart Goodpasture, Jodi Harrison, Bob Brundige, Rose Curtis, Josh McKibben, Phyllis Harmon, Maurice Baker, Jeff Padgett, John Thompson, Georgia Patton, Glenda Miller, Patty Hill, Janice Parsons, Mark Nickles, Paul and Marrian Lyda

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the gospel and the Lord adds us to it (Acts 2:37-47.) The church is plainly described in the New Testament so we can find it today. But can we honestly say that the one thing we seek is to dwell in the house of the Lord all our lives? It must be on God's terms - not ours.

To seek the house of the Lord is to "gaze upon the beauty of the Lord" for He inhabits His house. What a privilege to see and experience God's grace, love, salvation, and blessings. We are able to bow in the presence of God and see his terrible, awesome holiness yet notice His tender, loving gaze in our direction. No wonder we fear nothing. We are with God in His house as He dwells in each child of His.

Sadly, many churches turn this beautiful picture into something to please themselves. They seek things to entertain and "pump each other up." The holy, spiritual dwelling place of God should be presented to the world, not bringing the world into the church. Maybe people fear the world more than they do God. Better read Psalm 27 again. Wayde Miller

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