

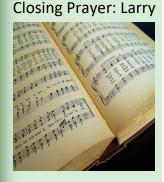
Good News from Chardon

February 4, 2018

Church of Christ 128 Maple Ave. Chardon, OH 44024 440-286-5505

Schedule of Services:

Greeting: Mark Song Leader: Ray Opening Song: 387— Beyond This Land Of **Parting** Opening Prayer: Robert Hymn: 112—Angry Words Scripture Reading: Myron Hymn: 293—Night With Ebon Pinion Lord's Supper: Dale & Ryan Hymn: 551-Do All In The Name of the Lord Sermon: Mark **Invitation Hymn:** 633—Prepare To Meet Thy God Closing Hymn: 657— God Will Take Care



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Chardon Church of Christ

Issue 5

A Little Time

By Clifton Angel

By the time you are able to read this article, we will be in the month of February 2018. By this, I am reminded of how time is seemingly fleeting. James wrote, "For what is your life? It is even a vapor, that appeareth for a little time, and then vanisheth away" (James 4:14). If we only have "a little time" on this earth, and we cannot deny the process of aging and decay (see Ecclesiastes 12:1–7), and we cannot deny our appointment with death (see Hebrews 9:27), what should we be doing with our time?

We know "time flies when you're having fun" (and if you're a frog, "time is fun when you're having flies"). Some say, "Life is short; live it up." Some exclaim, "YOLO!" (meaning, "you only live once"). And each of the latter is about fulfilling your own lusts and desires with no acknowledgement of God as the supplier of one's life and time. The truth is, time is flying whether we're having fun or not. The truth is, life on earth is short. The truth is, you do only live once on earth. Furthermore, the truth is, we only have this one short life to prepare for eternity hereafter. Therefore, instead of using all of our time fulfilling our own desires, we need to be "redeeming the time, because the days are evil [meaning, we are decaying and dying]" (Ephesians 5:16). "For we must all appear before the judgment seat of Christ; that every one may receive the things done in his body, according to that he hath done, whether it be good or bad" (2 Corinthians 5:10).

Why, James, have you written to us about the fleeting of our lives?

1. Because "ye know not what shall be on the morrow" (James 4:14).

2. Because "to him that knoweth to do good, and doeth it not, to him it is sin" (James 4:17). The latter verse is not about sin in general. It is about the sin of procrastination. It is about the sin of the unwise use of time. It is about the sin of using our time for ungodliness. We are ... blessed to have "a little time" on earth. God is the designer, provider, and sustainer of this time. Are we using it to serve Him? "Let us not be weary in well doing: for in due season we shall reap, if we faint not. As we have therefore opportunity, let us do good unto all men, especially unto them who are of the household of faith" (Galatians 6:9–10).

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PRAYER LIST

- *Robert is still having problems with his neck, but he is much better.
- *Rebecca's father is in the hospital.
- *Pat and Ron were able to be with us last week.
- *Dale, his mother and his cousin Jayna and her family.
- *It's nice to have Myron and Carole back with us.
- *Tom & Nina's son-i-law, Chris, is looking for work.
- *Juanita, her sons, Dale and Ron and her daughter Debbie.
- *Ray, Rebecca, and Steven.
- *Ruth and her brother George.
- *Our Congregation
- *Our Nation & Our Veterans.

CALENDAR

- Feb. 4—Bible Study 10 am, Dale
- Feb. 4—Worship 11 am & 6 pm
- Speaker: Mark Feb. 4—Business Meeting
- Feb. 8-b. Mason
- Feb. 11—Bible Study 10 am, Dale
- Feb. 11—Worship 11 am & 6 pm

Speaker: Mark

- Feb. 11—Potluck Luncheon
- Feb. 17-a. David & Dorene
- Feb. 18—Bible Study 10 am, Dale
- Feb. 18—Worship 11 am & 6 pm Speaker: Mark
- Feb. 25—Bible Study 10 am, Dale
- Feb. 25—Worship 11 am & 6 pm Speaker: Mark

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Answer to Puzzle

Do Not Boast About Tomorrow

Scripture Reference: James 4:13-17

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SUNDAY: Bible Class — 10:00 am; Worship — 11:00 am; Evening — 6:00 pm