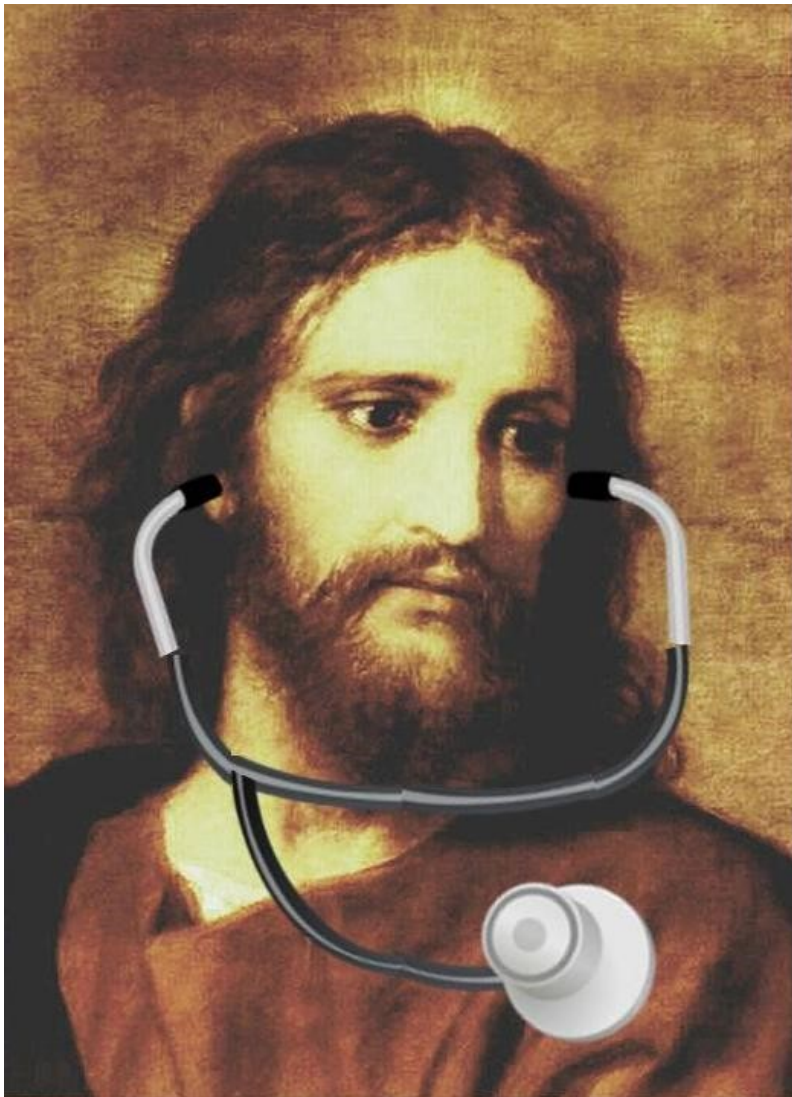


Somewhere to Belong



By David Bragg

A doctor was enjoying lunch in a room full of people. Without a word he slowly got up and walked out of the room. No one there was aware of the danger this doctor was facing until his lifeless body was discovered a few minutes later. A morsel of food had lodged in his windpipe, and he choked to death (David Gibson, *The Challenger*, Carbondale, IL).

What makes this story even sadder is the fact that this doctor was eating lunch in a room filled with other doctors any one of whom could have likely saved his life. He didn't ask.

The church consists of the saved. We know what it is like to languish in sin. We know what it is like to be redeemed. We know what it is like to have a place where we belong: the church. It is here that we can serve, encourage, and bear one

another's burdens (Gal. 6:1). Because of what Jesus did, purchasing us with His own blood (Acts 20:28), we are family (1 Tim. 3:15).

The Christian who belongs to the world has turned his back on the marvelous gifts of God. He is like that doctor who died in solitude while those who were willing and able to help stood by unaware. Because of what Jesus has done for us, we love and care for each other and share the Good News with those yet lost in sin. In Jesus they can find a place to belong now and forever.

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Schedule of Services:

Greeting: Mark

Song Leader: Dale

Opening Hymn:

477—Blessed Assurance

Opening Prayer:

Myron

Hymn:

358—When the Saved Get to Heaven

Scripture Reading:

Larry

Galatians 6:1-10

Hymn:

301—He Loved Me So!

Lord's Supper:

Ray & Ryan

Hymn:

668—Our God He Is Alive

Sermon: Mark

Invitation Hymn:

642—I Am Resolved

Closing Hymn:

17—Revive Us Again

Closing Prayer:

Tom

PRAYER LIST

*Rebecca and Steven have had colds for the past week.
 *Ray is recovering from the heart attack quite well.
 *Amy was diagnosed with three ulcers.
 *Jim, the man who mows our lawn, was involved in a bicycle accident recently.
 *Beverly is still having heart problems.
 *Mary and her family.
 *Nina's brother, James.
 *Robert and Sara
 *Pat and Ron.
 *Juanita and her family.
 *Larry and Ruth
 *Dale in reference to his work, his mother and his cousin Jayna and her family. His friend Zarna

CALENDAR

Sept. 29—Bible Study 10 am
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 Sept. 29—Worship 11 am & 6 pm
 Speaker: Mark
 Sept. 29—a. Mark & Debbie
 Oct. 1—b. Ron
 Oct. 2—Bible Study 7 pm
 Rob
 Oct. 6—Bible Study 10 am
 Tom
 Oct. 6—Worship 11 am & 6 pm
 Speaker: Mark
 Oct. 6—Business Meeting
 Oct. 7—b. Alyna
 Oct. 9—Bible Study 7 pm
 Rob
 Oct. 10—a. Carl & Mary
 Oct. 12—b. Steven

Bear and Share Burdens

Scripture Reference: Galatians 6:1-10

ALONE	ANOTHER	ANYONE	BRETHREN
BURDENS	CHRIST	CONSIDERING	CORRUPTION
DECEIVES	DOING	ESPECIALLY	EVERLASTING
EXAMINE	FAITH	FLESH	FULFILL
GENTLENES	HEART	HIMSELF	HOUSEHOLD
NOTHING	OPPORTUNITY	OVERTAKEN	REJOICING
RESTORE	SEASON	SOMETHING	SPIRITUAL
TAUGHT	TEACHES	TEMPTED	THEREFORE
THINGS	THINKS	TRESPASS	YOURSELF

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Hidden Message: _____,
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Answer to Puzzle: Do not be deceived, God is not mocked; for whatever a man sows, that he will also reap.

Here is how you know if your mission on earth is finished: If you're alive, it isn't.

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