

Good News From Chardon

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Do Not Fear

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Fear paralyzes. Fear of failure. Fear of retribution. Fear of persecution. Fear of being ostracized. Fear of being ridiculed. Fear of negative consequences. Fear of embarrassment. Fear of losing friendships. Fear of losing status. Fear of losing possessions. Perhaps even fear of losing our lives.

We stand amazed at the courage of the apostles. They stood before rulers and kings with unflinching determination. “We cannot stop speaking what we’ve seen and heard” was their mantra and “Jesus is the risen Lord” their battle cry.

Theirs truly is a remarkable transformation. Reading the gospel narratives hardly gives us confidence that these men can be trusted to turn the world upside down. One would hardly describe these men as “courageous.”

But something happened to the cowardly little group who fled the Garden of Gethsemane. They saw a risen Lord! They watched Him ascend into heaven to be seated at the right hand of God. But that was only part of the reason for their courage. They had something more. They had a promise, “And lo, I am with you always, even to the end of the age.” They had the promise they were not and never would be alone.

Sometimes we worry because we know there is fear in our hearts. We cannot deny it. The apprehension is there. And because it is there, we wonder if we will be able to hold fast in the face of the enemy. We worry that we will shrink back in midst of battle. Sometimes we become discouraged because we have not quenched every self-doubt. We think our faith has failed. Not so!

Ideally, we will stand brave and tall without any doubt or fear. That’s where we are heading. But until that day, all we need is just a little more courage than fear. Just a little more faith than doubt. Just a little more strength than weakness.

So what if we step forward with trembling legs into battle - as long as we stepped forward! So what if we struggled mightily with temptation before we overcame - as long as we overcame! So what if our voice was a little timid when we spoke out - as long as we spoke out!

Ah, friend, let us ever be reminded that we too have the promise! If we are hesitating, if we are weakening, if we are fearful, stop and become aware of His Presence. The Lord is near. Listen for His voice, “I am with you always.” So, do not fear - forge ahead!

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Schedule of Services:

Greeting: Tom

Song Leader: Myron

Opening Hymn:

55—Take Time to be Holy

Opening Prayer:

Ray

Hymn:

26—In the Garden

Scripture Reading:

Ryan

Luke 12:22-34

Hymn:

293—Night with Ebon Pinion

Lord’s Supper:

Mark & Robert

Hymn:

274-A—Jesus Loves Me

Sermon: Tom

Invitation Hymn:

647—Almost Persuaded

Closing Hymn:

67—Praise God

Closing Prayer:

Dale

Special Meeting

A special meeting will be held at the building on Friday, June 12, starting at 6:00 pm.

The main purpose of the meeting will be when and how to open the building for worship services.

The men are all asked to attend this meeting and offer their insight on the subject.

PRAYER LIST

- *Zarna's father had to be revived recently. Continue to pray for her friends and family in India.
- *Juanita's friend Bobbie passed away last week
- *Larry and Ruth.
- *Pat and Ron and their daughters.
- *Nina's eye tests showed slight improvement in the swelling of the retina.
- *Juanita's sister Betty.
- *Mary and her family.
- *Robert and Sara
- *Juanita and her family
- *Ray and Barbara
- *Dale's virus test came back negative
- *Ray, Rebecca, and Steven.
- *Myron & Carole
- *Margaret and her family.
- *Mark and his family
- *Our congregation

CALENDAR

- Jun. 14—Bible Study 10 am
With Dale
- Jun. 14—Worship 11 am
Speaker: Tom
- Jun. 15—b. Audrey
- Jun. 19—a. Danny & Susan
- Jun. 21—Bible Study 10 am
With Dale
- Jun. 21—Worship 11 am
Speaker: Tom
- Jun. 22—b. Brendan
- Jun. 28—a. Myron & Carole
- Jul. 7—b. Rebecca

Do Not Worry

Scripture Reference: Luke 12:22-34

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LEAST	LILIES	LITTLE	MONEY
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SHOULD	SOLOMON	STATURE	STOREHOUSE
THEREFORE	THROWN	TODAY	TOMORROW
VALUE	WHICH	WORLD	WORRY
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Hidden Message: _____, _____,
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Answer to Puzzle: Do not fear, little flock, for it is your Father's good pleasure to give you the kingdom.

Don't look back. You're not going that way.

SUNDAY: Bible Class — 10:00 am; Worship — 11:00 am;
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