

Good News From Chardon

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Back to the Bible

Our society is heading in the direction that Paul describes in 2 Tim. 3:1-3. We have seen a decrease in morals in our society. What is called "same sex marriage" is being widely accepted. That which was once considered against the law, is now legalized in some areas. Hopefully, this will be the year that many will get back to the Bible. I hope you will be part of the effort to return to basic Bible teachings and let the Bible speak in all things that pertain to life and godliness. (2 Pet. 1:3) In this article and in next week's, let us get back to the Bible in our understanding of who God is.

God is not a panic button. Some only call on Him to help in an emergency. Others believe God exists to grant our every wish and desire. Some only know that God exists when trouble happens in life. Then if God doesn't deliver, they blame Him. God is a very present help in trouble. (Ps. 46:1) We should live for Him every day, not just use Him as a panic button.

God is God and we are not. This simple statement is found in Isa. 55:8, 9. God doesn't think like we do nor does He act and react like us. Paul asked the question: "For what man knows the things of a man except the spirit of man which is in him? Even so no one knows the things of God except the Spirit of God." (1 Cor. 2:11) God does things in His way, not in man's way. Once this simple principle about God is learned, much of the misunderstanding of the nature and role of God will be more clearly seen.

God is a spirit. We are spirit beings; (1 Cor. 6:19, 20) therefore, we are subject to the Father of spirits. (Heb. 12:9) We live in a physical body in a physical realm. God is a spirit and He lives in a spiritual realm. To connect with God, we must think spiritually. The Bible tells us that "to be carnally minded is death, but to be spiritually minded is life and peace." (Rom. 8:6)

God wants all men to be saved and to come to the knowledge of the truth. (1 Tim. 2:4) All truth has already been revealed to us. (2 Pet. 1:3) The apostles were told by the Lord that the Holy Spirit would guide them into all truth. (John 16:13) We have it all today. We don't need any more revelations from God. Such is forbidden by the Bible. (Gal. 1:6-10) God has given us what we need to know to be saved. We can all be saved the same way by doing as the Bible directs. Jesus stated, "He who believes and is baptized will be saved." (Mark 16:16) We can all believe the right thing and be baptized the right way to receive the right salvation that Jesus mentioned.

- Bill Brandstatter preaches for the Marion Church of Christ in Marion, IL

Schedule of Services

Greeting: Tom
Song Leader: Dale
Opening Hymn:
2—We're Marching To Zion
Opening Prayer: Tom
Hymn:
355—Heaven Holds All To Me
Scripture Reading: Ryan
Isaiah 55:6-11
Hymn:
477—Blessed Assurance
Lord's Supper: Robert
Hymn:
358—When The Saved Get To Heaven
Sermon: Tom
Invitation Hymn:
642—I Am Resolved
Closing Hymn:
53—Purer In Heart, O God
Closing Prayer: Ray

Mark your calendar!
September 17th
Gospel Meeting / Pot Luck
Speaker: Mark Lance
from Louisiana

CALENDAR

Aug. 13—Bible Study 10 am, Worship 11 am
Speaker Tom
Aug. 14—(a) Robert & Sara
Aug. 20—Bible Study 10 am, Worship 11 am
Speaker Tom
Aug. 22—(b) Carole
Aug. 27—Bible study 10 am, Worship 11 am
Speaker Mark
Sep. 1—(b) Juanita
Sep. 2—(b) Nina
Sep. 3—Bible Study 10 am, Worship 11 am
Speaker Tom
Check bulletin board for events in the area & other news

SUNDAY: Bible Study—10:00 am, Worship—11:00 am

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God's Ways Are Not Our Ways

Isaiah 55:6-11

WORD LIST

ABUNDANT	BREAD	BRING
CALL	COME	DOWN
EARTH	EATER	FORSAKE
FORTH	FOUND	HEAVEN
HIGHER	ISAIAH	LORD
MERCY	MOUTH	NEAR
PARDON	RAIN	RETURN
SEED	SNOW	SOWER
THOUGHTS	UNRIGHTEOUS	UPON
VOID	WATER	WAYS
WICKED	WORD	

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R H N H T U O M J T E D S S L

We are in the second chapter of the Book of James on Sunday morning bible study. Here are some key verses to remember.

James 2:9 But if ye have respect to persons, ye commit sin, and are convinced of the law as transgressors.

James 2:12 For whosoever shall keep the whole law, and yet offend in one point, he is guilty of all.

James 2:17 Even so faith, if it hath not works, is dead, being alone.

PRAYER LIST

Mynda's sisters-in-law Father's health. As she travels and school starts up

Nina health issues

Mark and **Debbie** as they travel. **Mark's** heart and back. Ron's son-in-law **Bob**

Roberta, doing Bible study with Tom, stroke recovery

Bonnie as she travels. grandsons **Devin & Dakota**

Wanda's migraines; son **Allen**, sisters **Lorraine & Joyce**.

Mary and family. Mary's friend **Aubrey's** pregnancy.

Kathy, is home. Her sister and friends.

Linda's health, **Tiffany's** health & stress & family

Zarna and her family

Juanita, is at Briar Hill rehab room 100, her sister **Betty** and the rest of her family.

Ray and **Barbara** and their family.

Dale's health issues, headaches and his family. His **Mother's** breathing issue.. Brother in Christ **Darrell's** surgery. His **Aunt Rosie's** heart and lungs. Cousin with heart issues. 7 year old girl, **Lucie**, with leukemia.

Ray's new medication and his family.

Rebecca's right knee injuries & illness

Steven digestive tests & illness

Pat fell & injured her arm and is home recovering.

Rylan, 10 year old. Urgent brain surgery is home recovering

Robert's friend with cancer

Brenda's sister **Linda** and sister-in-law **Linda** as they struggle with cancer.

Isaiah 55:6-11

⁶ Seek ye the LORD while he may be found, call ye upon him while he is near: ⁷ Let the wicked forsake his way, and the unrighteous man his thoughts: and let him return unto the LORD, and he will have mercy upon him; and to our God, for he will abundantly pardon. ⁸ For my thoughts are not your thoughts, neither are your ways my ways, saith the LORD. ⁹ For as the heavens are higher than the earth, so are my ways higher than your ways, and my thoughts than your thoughts. ¹⁰ For as the rain cometh down, and the snow from heaven, and returneth not thither, but watereth the earth, and maketh it bring forth and bud, that it may give seed to the sower, and bread to the eater: ¹¹ So shall my word be that goeth forth out of my mouth: it shall not return unto me void, but it shall accomplish that which I please, and it shall prosper in the thing whereto I sent it.