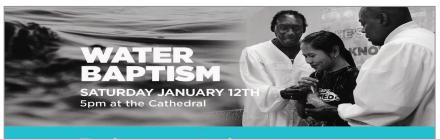
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WEEK SEVEN Present and Accountable Bishop Parnell M. Lovelace, Jr., D.Min. Founding Pastor



INTRODUCTION

This season of Advent affirms God's presence with his people, both now and in the upcoming future. Our hope in His appearing, through the person of Jesus Christ, encourages us to personify joy, hope, peace, and love towards others. The ministry of grace has established our Kingdom assignment. Jesus's presence has empowered us to facilitate presence for others (**Ephesians 1:1-10**).

The working of grace in our lives affirms the ongoing process of development and growth as a disciple of Jesus Christ. Each experience (opportunity) in life (good and bad) reveals areas of growth that have occurred and areas where we yet need development. Faithfulness towards this objective requires patience with ourselves and with others. All of us will have different experiences that will affect us in various ways (**Ecclesiastes 9:11**). However, we all can experience victorious living and wholeness, as we willingly avail ourselves to God and live magnanimously towards others.

Our Study Texts: Proverbs 9:7-12 Luke 6:1-11

The more one serves others, the more you will pluck and rub others last nerves. It is crucial to retain a servant's heart (*Matthew 20:28*)...People's lives depend upon our being what God fully designed us to be in life; servants.

The characteristics of a disciple that is present and accountable:

- 1. Always postured to **teach** and be **teachable**
- 2. Possesses discernment
- 3. Watchful and Active in the Kingdom of God

Note: The scriptures are presented in the English Standard Version unless otherwise stated.

FACTORPOINTS

WORSHIP

Take the opportunity to sit still and reflect on the Holy Spirit's presence now. Lift your hands and open your mouth with adoration to God, for who He is daily in our lives.

LEARN

Review **Philippians 4:1-9**. Write down 3 specific requests you have of the Lord on a note pad, journal, or sticky note. Place the requests in a location you will see often throughout the day. Daily offer praise to God, until those requests have been answered; then share your testimony of answered prayer with another person.

SERVE

Engage an act of serving someone that would least expect to be served by you (a family member, one that you have offended or hurt, and/or someone that is different than yourself).

