



**October 31, 2021**

**ONE THING: IN  
PRAY FOR UNSAVED FAMILY & FRIENDS**

Sharing the Gospel with the unsaved ones closest to us is often hardest. Prayer is essential... that God will prepare them to hear and respond to His truth ... for boldness in our sharing and that we are led by the Spirit ... for God to surround them with people and circumstances that speak His truth into their lives. Be sure to catch this week's Mid-week Refresher for ideas about sharing our faith.

**ONE THING: OUT  
SERVE AT VISION BEYOND BORDERS**

Recently Pastor Easton and helpers and the Youth Group spent an evening at VBB sorting and packing boxes to send to those in need. Proceeds from their new thrift store also support their efforts to fight trafficking, meet physical needs, and share God's Word. Please consider helping them at their warehouse or store, individually or with your T-group. (Donated items not currently needed.) *For service opportunities*, contact the store 277.1606 or [eric@visionbeyondborders.org](mailto:eric@visionbeyondborders.org).

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**THIS WEEK'S MINISTRY  
AWANA**

Please pray for our AWANA club (pre-K thru 12th grade). Our year has started well! We would love to have more Cubbies (two years before KG). We are filling shoe boxes for OCC, due 11/17. We will have our Grand Prix on 1/22/22 at 10a. Cars will be on sale in December. Please pray that God would bring us children who need to hear that God loves them and that we would effectively minister to each clubber who attends.

**THIS WEEK'S WORKERS  
JON & META NELSON**

The Nelsons serve with ReachGlobal in Spain and will retire 1/1/22. Going forward they want to keep working with their church and ministries, so they bought a house in Spain. Pray for wisdom and strength as they make it into a retreat for people in ministry who need to get away. Pray for their church: for wisdom for their pastor, that the Gospel is preached clearly and transforms lives, for challenges sharing space with a Catholic congregation, and for the immigrant attenders who have fled persecution.

**GATHER WORSHIP SERVICES NEXT WEEK, NOVEMBER 7**

Gather Services are celebrated the first weekend of the month. The focus will be on life in the body of Christ. We will observe Communion and receive our Benevolent Fund offering. **Next week we will also welcome recent new members!** We will enjoy refreshments together in the foyer in between services! ***Children will join us for these services. Nursery and Toddlerland will be available, but no children's Sunday school classes.*** Also, remember to turn your clocks back one hour Saturday evening, 11/6.

**OPERATION CHRISTMAS CHILD**

*Pick up empty boxes near south entrance. Return them to Boyd Ave. Baptist or Restoration Churches Collection Week, 11/15-22!*

**YOUTH GROUP ON MONDAYS AT CORNERSTONE 6:30P**

Join in to study God's Word, as well as enjoy games and snacks!

**THANK YOU TO CORNERSTONE FAMILY**

Sue Perl & family are grateful for the lovely plant sent to Marty's service, as well as for the texts, calls, meals, and many kindnesses.

**WOMEN'S MINISTRY FALL STUDIES**

For information or to join a study, contact [brenda@cornerstonefree.org](mailto:brenda@cornerstonefree.org). She Reads Truth 'This is the New Testament' begins 1/2022!

**MEN'S BIBLE STUDY** - Join this study of 2 Timothy at Perkins at 6am on Wednesdays!

**FEATURED OCTOBER MISSIONARY: ELIJAH**

Envelopes are available in the foyer to bless him with a love offering! Elijah would love to visit with you about partnering with him. Contact [missions@cornerstonefree.org](mailto:missions@cornerstonefree.org) to set up a meeting with him!

**AWANA CLUB MEETS ON WEDNESDAYS**

AWANA Club (pre-K - grade 6) from 6:00-7:45p. Trek & Journey clubs (grades 7-12) meet from 4:45-5:45p just prior to regular club.

**PASTOR SEARCH INFORMATION**

*Visit [cornerstonefree.org/pastorsearch/](http://cornerstonefree.org/pastorsearch/) for updates & information.* Prayer sheets are available in the foyer. *Please pray daily.*

**MEMBERSHIP:** Elders recommend Dan & Saundra Larson for church membership. Cornerstone's By-laws state: "Any objecting member of the church must give to an Elder in writing just cause, in accordance with the Word of God and the By-laws of this church, for the candidate's rejection." Please submit them by Sunday, November 14.

**YOUNG ADULTS GROUP ON THURSDAYS 7-9P** Join this group of 18 - 35year olds! Info: [college@cornerstonefree.org](mailto:college@cornerstonefree.org).

## *A Resume of the Flesh* *John 2:23-3:15*

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*Understanding spiritual truth necessitates being born again and being born again necessitates a personal, intimate relationship with Jesus.*

### 1. Introduction

*Oida* -

*Ginoskō-*

### 2. The Context/Historical Setting

### 3. Nicodemus: The Man and His Resume

a. His Name

b. His Wealth

c. His Education

d. His Vocation

e. His Leadership

f. His Spiritual Understanding

### 4. Application

### 5. Discussion Questions:

- a. The Pharisees readily admitted they were eyewitnesses of the miracle working power of Jesus—yet refused to recognize Him as their Messiah and King. How would you explain this?
- b. Explain the difference between knowing “about” (*oida*) Jesus and truly “knowing” (*ginoskō*) Jesus.
- c. John 2:23-25 indicate that the common people of Jerusalem also were witnesses of His miracles/signs, and as a result, they did indeed “believe” in His name. But what was Jesus’ divine understanding of and response to their “believing”?
- d. What evidence is there in your life that reveals a *ginoskō* belief in Jesus?

One More Thing: I’ve heard it said, “*You haven’t really witnessed to someone until you’ve taken them through the plan of salvation.*” Sounds simple enough but, in fact, there is not a step-by-step plan laid out in Scripture as to “how” to do this, so how do we capture the unbeliever’s attention? We do what Jesus did. He prompted them to think. The easiest way to do this is to ask questions. In your next evangelism effort, at some point ask: “*What do you know about Jesus?*” With your understanding of *oida* and *ginoskō*, you’ll be on your way!