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March 10, 2024- 10:00 a.m.



Church School Lesson: “Testing Our Faith” **Lesson Text:** 2nd Corinthians 13:5-11 – **Key Text:** “Examine yourselves to see whether you are in the faith; test yourselves.” 2nd Corinthians 13:5A

Summary of the Lesson The city of Corinth, located in Greece, was the capital of the Roman province Achaia. It was a prosperous city, both militarily and commercially. It was a bustling, international, port city. It was a city of wealth and immorality. Its culture had great influence on the Christian church at Corinth which exhibited all kinds of behaviors and attitudes among the believers. These were converts from paganism, and they were in constant contact and temptation there. We live in a world today that is much like that world. So maybe our world today is not too different. It is easy to point fingers at an ancient culture and try to find the good and faultlessness in our own time and churches, but the heart of the matter remains the same. Division, gossip, slander exist in churches and relationships because of man’s sinfulness along with a lack of turning from the ways of the world. In our time, we also have to deal with the conflict between culture around us and what it truly means to follow Christ. There were people in the Corinthian church who “took pride in their own accomplishments, boasting “without limit”, comparing themselves with one another by worldly standards”. We are no different than the church of Corinth on issues like this. Quite often we celebrate such qualities. Personal gain and selfishness can quickly become the center of our churches if we don’t repent this way of thinking and living. People in the church today, as in the past, like to point fingers at someone else. We do not like to take blame. Instead, we would slander someone else’s name, when perhaps they did nothing wrong. It would be easy to think of Paul as a saint, always teaching love and grace among the believers, but one cannot forget that he experienced emotions just like everyone else. Of course, he felt the anger and pain of being personally attacked. He speaks of how important forgiving is “in order that Satan not outwit us for we are not unaware of his schemes.” For all believers in any position, it ought to be remembered the greatest thing is not our comfort with each other but the fulfillment of God’s work being done in us. This requires us to whether we like it or not seek God’s kingdom instead of our own. Defending his ministry, he says, “examine yourselves to see you are in the faith; test yourselves”. He’s talking about the doctrine and discipline of the Christian faith, the foundation of which is the Gospel Message. Whether or not Christ is alive in us requires this test to determine if we are true followers of Christ or whether we are just “fans” of the Christian faith. Ask yourself these questions: What is my attitude towards God? What is my attitude towards sin? What is my attitude towards Jesus Christ? What is my attitude towards the Bible? What is my attitude towards prayer? We do not always have a great deal of say-so regarding our circumstances in life, but we can choose how we face them all. When we lean on Christ, He gives us strength to face whatever comes our way. God promised that He will work things out for our good, so we can rest assured that God has made available to us the help we need – the Holy Spirit. The unfortunate reality of life is that we are inclined to complain about what is wrong instead of being grateful for the good that God sends into our lives. Perhaps a good remedy for this problem is to focus more on the things of God rather than on our problems and to become more actively involved in the things He wants us to do for Him. When we find ourselves complaining about the mishaps of life more than we are thanking God for His goodness, maybe we need to examine ourselves and see if we are really in the battle for the Lord. Remember with gratitude what He did for us; it gives us a different perspective of life and what is important. Amen.

Sunday Worship Webinar: <https://zoom.us/j/93197056304> - **Webinar ID:** 931 9705 6304 –
Dial in +1 (646) 931-3860 - **Then dial** 931 9705 6304 #

Bible Study, Meetings, Church School & Special Services - Join Zoom Meeting: <https://zoom.us/j/99882887220> -
Meeting ID: 998 8288 7220 **Mobile** +1 (301) 715-8592 then dial 998 8288 7220#

ANNOUNCEMENTS - “Virtual Bible Study” – Tuesdays @ 7:30p - All are Welcome!

TODAY - Official Board Meeting after the morning service. All presidents of clubs and organizations should be in attendance and all those who would like to attend the meeting.

TODAY – The Youth are asked to meet in the choir stand after the meeting.

TODAY – “Is “Health Day” please come downstairs – Lunch will be served. **DONATION - Please see the insert**

NEXT Sun, March 17th – The Trustee Board will be serving dinner after the morning service **DONATION.**

Sun, March 24th – “Palm Sunday” also **The Trustee Board** will celebrate their **Annual Day** during the morning service. The Rev. William Gary, of Enoch Tabernacle Baptist Church is the preacher. Invite someone to church.

Tues., March 26th – Bible Study is CANCELLED.

Sunday, March 31st – “Resurrection Sunday” invite someone to church. All are welcome.



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HEALTH DAY

Scripture of the Month:

Order of Service

Sunday, March 10, 2024 - 10:00 a.m.

"He shall cover you with His feathers, And under His wings you shall take refuge; His truth shall be your shield and buckler." Psalms 91:4 NKJV

***CALL TO WORSHIP** Psalm 24

L: The earth is the Lord's, and everything in it! From the east to the west, from the north to the south, God's Spirit moves across the face of the earth. From the east to the west, from the north to the south,

P: We gather together, united by God's Spirit, to celebrate God's glory and proclaim His praise!

All: Let's worship God together!

OPENING HYMN "He Lives"

1) I serve a risen Savior, He's in the world today; I know that He is living, whatever men may say; I see His hand of mercy, I hear His voice of cheer And just the time I need Him He's always near.

3) Rejoice, rejoice, O Christian, lift up your voice and sing, Eternal hallelujahs to Jesus Christ the King! The hope of all who seek Him, the help of all who find, None other is so loving, so good and kind.

Refrain: He lives, He lives, Christ Jesus lives today! He walks with me and talks with me along life's narrow way. He lives, He lives, salvation to impart! You ask me how I know He lives? He lives within my heart.

***PRAYER**

***PRAYER RESPONSE**

WORSHIP THROUGH MUSIC

DECLARATION **Brother Robert Love** - This is my Bible. I am what it says I am. I can have what it says I can have. I can do what it says I can do. Today I will be taught the word of God. My mind is alert. My heart is receptive. I'll never be the same again. In Jesus' name. Amen

***READING OF THE WILL-Old Testament: Exodus 12: 31-39 New Testament James 4: 1-7**

The Gospel: James 4: 1-7

***DECALOGUE "Holy, Holy, Holy, Lord God Almighty"**

Gloria Patri - "Glory Be To The Father"

WORSHIP THROUGH MUSIC

***SERMON** **Rev. Dr. Louis P. Attles, Pastor**

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THE PASTOR'S WORD/ANNOUNCEMENTS & RECOGNITION OF VISITORS

HEALTH DAY PRESENTATIONS

DIABETES & YOUR HEART PRESENTATION - First Lady - Sis. Kelly Attles

Introduction of Presenter - Sister Danita Wilbanks

KIDNEY HEALTH PRESENTATION - Renee D. Simmons, MHS, BS - Transplant Navigator

BENEDICTION "Reach out and Touch Somebody's Hand"

***WORSHIPPERS Are Asked To Refrain From Entering In The Sanctuary at These Times.**

Sister Delores Rollins and family on the passing of her husband Bro. Carl Rollins, Bro. Brett & Natasha Patterson and family on the passing of his brother, Bro. Bryan Patterson, Sis. Virginia Braxton, Sister of Sis. Jackie Sewell, Sis. Maggie Bullard at home healing, Family Healing and Unity, Bro. Leroy Williams, husband of Sis. Debbie Williams,, Sister Lottie Chisholm's mother, Lula King, Rev., Dr. & Mrs. Melvin D. Wayns, Sis. Deb Williams' Mom & Dad, those who have family members and friends who are sick and have lost loved ones. **Birthdays or Anniversaries in March.**

March - Sasha Bigelow 1st Wilhelmina Clark-Love 6th Ahkeel Malcolm 11th
Linda Floyd 12th Brett Patterso16th Satia Malcolm- Johnson 22nd Calvin Brown 28th

