

The Christian Center Newsletter 1-7-24

Study is a Good Thing!

As Christians, we have been forgiven; and we will not go to hell, period! But what about now; what am I supposed to do before I go to Heaven? Remember this, we are living our lives now based on who has been influencing us in our lives. If I look at any family on the earth, they have ways of doing things. Generally speaking, everyone in that family will tend to like the same things and do the same things. Also, our environment will cause us to live differently than what God wants us to live. But when we receive Jesus as our Savior and Lord, we can start changing our lives through the power of the influence of the Holy Ghost inside us and by our study of God's Word. We can't live like God without studying His Word.

Now I know, to many of us that have passed school age, that we don't want to go back to studying again. However, we must change this mindset! We cannot live the life God wants us to live without doing so.

2 Timothy 2:15 KJV Study to shew thyself approved unto God, a workman that needeth not to be ashamed, rightly dividing the word of truth.

AMPC Study and be eager and do your utmost to present yourself to God approved (tested by trial), a workman who has no cause to be ashamed, correctly analyzing and accurately dividing [rightly handling and skillfully teaching] the Word of Truth.

NLT Work hard so you can present yourself to God and receive His approval. Be a good worker, one who does not need to be ashamed and who correctly explains the word of truth.

Some definitions in the dictionary of 'study' is: investigate, inquire into, research, conduct research into, look into, examine, analyze, explore, probe, monitor, review, appraise, survey, conduct a survey of, scrutinize, dissect, delve into; informal check out, suss out.

You might say, "I just don't have time to study." Well, let me give you some ways of doing it that will make it easier and more exciting.

Over forty five years ago I got born again. I was hungry to understand God's Word, but I basically was illiterate. I could hardly read, and I just hated to study. Well, I started listening to preaching and teaching on TV, and as I listened to ministers preach and teach, I would get challenged by what they were saying. I finally started studying along with them, and the Bible became a Living Book to me. When I say 'living', I mean what I was reading started to become my life. As I would study on prayer, I started praying; as I read about witnessing, I became a witnesser, etc. I was influenced into studying by listening to ministers of God that were anointed to speak for Him. All these years later, I remember back to the early days; and I just praise God that He got me around people that promoted studying God's Word! My life has radically changed because of these revelations.

I encourage you today: if you haven't started yet, become a disciple of Jesus Christ by studying God's Word.

Psalm 1:1-3 KJV Blessed is the man that walketh not in the counsel of the ungodly, nor standeth in the way of sinners, nor sitteth in the seat of the scornful. [2] But his delight is in the law of the Lord ; and in His law doth he meditate day and night. [3] And he shall be like a tree planted by the rivers of water, that bringeth forth his fruit in his season; his leaf also shall not wither; and whatsoever he doeth shall prosper.

Joshua 1:8 KJV This book of the law shall not depart out of thy mouth; but thou shalt meditate therein day and night, that thou mayest observe to do according to all that is written therein: for then thou shalt make thy way prosperous, and then thou shalt have good success.

Love you,
Pastor Paul

This Week's Daily Bible Readings

Monday Luke 22

Tuesday Luke 23

Wednesday Luke 24

Thursday John 1

Friday John 2

Saturday John 3

Sunday John 4

STAY CONNECTED

**Here is the link for the NEW Christian Center app- -

<https://subsplash.com/thechristiancenter/app>

**If you need prayer, call our Prayer Line 580-704-0505

**Singles will be eating after Services at: Fusion Buffet 4102 NW Cache Rd

**If you want to give by texting, you can do so through the TCC app. There is an OPTION to add the fee, but it IS NOT mandatory. You do not have to pay a fee to give on the TCC app.

The OLD TEXT to 28950 IS NO LONGER functional for giving.

SUNDAY SCHOOL CLASSES at 9:45am

Children — 6 months - 5th grade

Youth — 6th -12th grades

Young Singles/College & Career — 18-26 years of age - Eliav/Kim Nash

ADULT CLASSES

*Foundation 1 - Pastor Paul

*Healing - Lester/Monica Witherspoon

*Foundation 2 - Mike Wiggins

*Marriage - Danny/Demetrice Williams

*Faith - Mike Whitley

*Prayer - Joe Cunningham

REGULAR ACTIVITIES

Daily

* Early Morning Prayer in Sanctuary: Monday-Friday 6:15-7:15am

* Women's Dance Aerobics: Mon-Fri 10-11am in the Gym

* Noonday Bible Study: Mon-Fri 12:15 in Sanctuary or 91.1fm or live stream on TCC app

Weekly

** Sunday Services: 9:45 am classes; 10:45am Main Service

** Monday Night Care Group: In Sanctuary under balcony 7pm

** Wednesday Night Prayer: 6pm before Services in the Foundation 1 Classroom

** Wednesday Night: Adult and Youth Services 7pm (Youth meet in Youth area)

** Mobile Prayer: Fri 2-3:30pm Hobby Lobby parking lot

** Friday Night Prayer: 7pm in Sanctuary under balcony

Monthly

*** Crosses at the Corner: 1st Saturday 11am-1pm corner of Sheridan and Cache Rd.

*** Women's Meeting: 2nd Saturday 9am in Fellowship Hall

*** Women's Discipleship: 3rd Thursday 5pm in Sanctuary

*** Horse Ministry: 3rd Saturday 11am -2 pm at Camp Faith