

The Christian Center Newsletter 4-14-24

**Do you know your spiritual birthday? It is your forever birthday,
celebrate it!**

We Can See God by Reading the Bible!

You have probably heard the old saying 'out of sight; out of mind'. Well, when we put things where we can't see them, we tend to forget where they are or even forget that we have them. Because God is a Spirit and His spiritual world is unseen to the natural eye, we can unintentionally forget God. Today's Newsletter is to get us to see the things of the spirit that are not visible to our physical eyes.

We see with our natural eyes, but we also see through words. Words paint pictures in our minds. The Bible is a spiritual book that shows us what God sees in His spiritual world. The Bible is like spiritual glasses; you can see spiritually when you read it with the help of the Holy Ghost. Without the Bible, we would be spiritually blind to the things of the spirit. Let me show you Scriptures that reveal what I'm saying.

Isaiah 55:7-11 KJV 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.

There is so much power in the Word of God that people will actually start living like God, if they read and meditate in it. You might ask how this could be? Well, like I said before, out of sight; out of mind. The Bible shows you the spiritual dimension where God lives and operates. Over these last forty or more years that I've been studying Scriptures, I see the things of the spirit just like I see the things of the natural. Now don't get me wrong, I still see more of the natural world than the spiritual; but I'm so far from where I used to be. When Jesus was on the earth, He lived and operated in the natural world and the spiritual world simultaneously. Let me show you in Scripture.

John 14:8-11 KJV Philip saith unto Him, Lord, shew us the Father, and it sufficeth us. [9] Jesus saith unto him, Have I been so long time with you, and yet hast thou not known Me, Philip? he that hath seen Me hath seen the Father; and how sayest thou then, Shew us the Father? [10] Believest thou not that I am in the Father, and the Father in Me? the words that I speak unto you I speak not of Myself: but the Father that dwelleth in Me, He doeth the works. [11] Believe Me that I am in the Father, and the Father in Me: or else believe Me for the very works' sake.

Jesus had to tell Thomas that Father God was in Him. Thomas couldn't see into that spiritual world, but Jesus could. We as Christians have the ability to live and function in the spirit just like Jesus did, but it only happens as you study the Bible so that you can see into that spiritual realm.

Now I'm going to go back to the thought we started with; out of sight, out of mind. I want to encourage you to listen to Holy Ghost teachers that have lived in that spiritual realm, because you will start experiencing what they have through their teachings. This is what happened to me, and I know it to be true.

One more thought before I close this Newsletter. We must understand that all of our Christian brothers and sisters that have left their bodies are not dead; they are living with Jesus in Heaven getting ready to come back to

the earth for their new bodies. They are out of our natural eye sight, but not our spiritual. It won't be long before we will be back together again.

Love you,
Pastor Paul

This Week's Daily Bible Readings

Monday Galatians 2

Tuesday Galatians 3

Wednesday Galatians 4

Thursday Galatians 5

Friday Galatians 6

Saturday Ephesians 1

Sunday Ephesians 2

STAY CONNECTED

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

<https://subsplash.com/thechristiancenter/app>
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** If you need prayer, call our Prayer Line 580-704-0505

** Singles will be eating after Services at: Olive Garden 4021 NW Cache Rd

** You can give by texting through the TCC app.

** Horse Ministry this coming Saturday 10am-1pm

** Marriage Class: 4th Saturday 10am-12 noon in Fellowship Hall.
Childcare available for 4 years old and up. Open for couples that are married, engaged, dating, or widowed

SUNDAY SCHOOL CLASSES at 9:45am
Children — 6 months - 5th grade

Youth — 6th -12th grades

Young Singles/College & Career -ages 18-26
Eliav and Kim Nash

ADULT CLASSES

*Foundation 1 - Pastor Paul

*Faith - Mike Whitley

*Marriage -Danny/Dee Williams

*Foundation 2 - Mike Wiggins

*Healing -
Lester/Monica Witherspoon

*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

*** Marriage Class: 4th Saturday 10am-12 noon in the Fellowship Hall.
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