

Trinity Baptist Church

Wednesday Gathering

May 24, 2023

6:30 pm

Gathered Around the Word:

“Emboldened Confidence & Debilitating Discouragement”

Text: Jeremiah 20:1-18

Genuine faith often waivers between emboldened confidence and debilitating discouragement.

Note Jeremiah: strong and determined in the face of opposition and hardship.

Note Jeremiah: frightened, confused, angry, discouraged and yet faithful!

Principles for responding to suffering:

- *Suffering should be taken to the Lord.*
- *God is always to be praised even in the midst of suffering.*
- *Although suffering can place a question mark over your life and experience, it never*

I have become a laughingstock all the day; every one mocks me.

8 For whenever I speak, I cry out, I shout, “Violence and destruction!” For the word of the LORD has become for me a reproach and derision all day long.

9 If I say, “I will not mention him, or speak any more in his name,” there is in my heart as it were a burning fire shut up in my bones, and I am weary with holding it in, and I cannot.

Jeremiah 20:7-9 (RSV2CE)

Special Requests:

The men and women in our armed forces:

Reagan Cochran , Lt. Collin Fitzgerald, and Chris Whitten.

Family of Homer Barnes

Jim Epperson’s family (mother passed away)

Janese Whitten and family (loss of sister-in-law)

On-going needs:

Homebound:

Darlene Eakle, Richard Morgan, Nolan Murray, Betty Schmitt, Charles Woodard.

Pray for those who are in need:

Keith Cannon

Barbara Dalrymple

Rachel Finley

Jean Goehl

Karen Hart

Mark Hill

Rick Hill

Ron & Linda Hill

Debbie Hof

Tony Hof

Betty Kern

Phillip & Janice Morris

George Whitten