

FAITH TALK

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	Heart

Dealing With Negative Thoughts

Satan interweaves negative thoughts into our minds, which if believed and acted on can develop into stongholds.

"A stronghold is a mind set impregnated with

hopelessness that causes us to accept as unchangeable something we know is contrary to the will of God for our lives." - Ed Silvoso

If we believe his lies, we will begin to doubt God's Word, forget who we are "in Christ," and focus on our hopelessness.

Jesus stood up against Satan's lies (Matthew 4:1-11), and Satan was forced to leave. Because we are "in Christ," we can do the same.

THE "EIGHT R'S" SINCE THE ABOVE IS TRUE WE NEED TO:

I. RECOGNIZE their source Satan Says: Bu

"You will never get victory"

"God does not love you."

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God Says:

"You are condemned" "No condemnation to those in Christ"

"You always have victory in Christ"

"You are a chosen vessel for Me."

"You have been given Christ's mind."

"My love for you is everlasting."

2. **REFUSE** the suggestion

"You are worthless"

"You are stupid"

John 8:44b

Matthew 24:4

Since Satan is the source of all dishonesty, his suggestion will be a deception.

3. **RELY** on the spirit for an appropriate Scripture Ephesians 6:17 Trust God to give us His truth to counter each deception.

4. **REPEAT** that Scripture

John 8:12

Proclaim God's promise in full assurance of faith.

5. **RENOUNCE** any hold satan has on you

Proverbs 28:13

Cancel the consent given to satan. This breaks his hold on you.

6. **RESIST** the devil and he will flee

lames 4:7

Submit totally to God, resist the devil and he must flee.

7. **RENEW** your mind

Roman 12:2

Establish a new way of thinking by meditating on God's Word.

8. **REST** in Jesus Christ finished work

Ephesians 2:6

As joint heirs with Christ, we share His rest and His victory.

In the Wonderful Name of Jesus, Pastors Bob and Susan Tilton

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Youth Talk Leaving a Mark

"Hey! You left a mark!" I remember squawking at my brother as his pen left quite a long blue mark down my arm. We hear horror stories of how ink can poison you, yet we still mark on others and ourselves; phone numbers, addresses (I just did this last week on my knee;), tattoos, lipstick, eye shadow, etc.

A beautiful sunny day at Folly Beach with my mom until a wonderful seagull decided to poop in my hair... Yep, he left a mark. I honestly felt scarred for life as I walked back to my car feeling the warmth and wetness of his fecal matter running through my hair as it began touching my scalp.

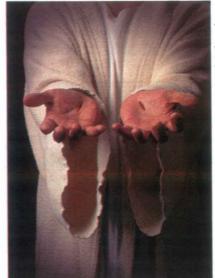
"It smells like a cat in here... do you have a cat?" The homeowner cringed as his guest inquired about the odor in the air. After carefully checking his new sofa and loveseat he found the source. Yep, the cat left a mark. I guess the fury feline liked the couch and didn't want any other cats (or humans) on it but him...

I could hear the door slam as they raced into the house to keep from getting wet. Mud was stuck to the bottom of shoes and they were not slowing down as they continued through the house... Yep, left a mark... and about an hour's worth of work.

Wondering how I can get it all done before I leave to head towards Texas to care for my family, I took a deep breath... She came over and organized my "pile" of documents, another washed my dishes, and yet another gave me a long much needed hug. DEFININTELY left a mark.

Couldn't find him. It was time for dinner and I knew he was hungry, but where was he? I walked outside to hear a small motor puttering away as grass flew everywhere! He's a friend and doesn't even live here and was mowing my very tall grass with a weed eater. That's all he had and he wanted to help... It actually helped me appreciate the fact that it wasn't me out there mowing... he left a mark.

So many times we forget or don't even want to "leave a mark" on others lives. Sometimes the mark we leave is a deep scar or wound that takes years to heal. It's sad to speak rudely to others as if they do not deserve to be treated as the gift that God created them to be.



This month I would like to challenge everyone to think about the "mark" you're leaving behind. Does your life leave a trail of tears and anger or a trail of love and appreciation towards others. Words can encourage, but they can also discourage.

So many children are in need of simple encouragement FIRST; not correction. There's a reason they are withdrawn and I can promise you it's NOT because they're feeling encouraged. Love goes a long way and leaves a mark like no other... The greatest gift is Love... it's time to show love and leave a GOOD mark on someone's life everyday, no matter where you go.

-Michele C. Dotter



The Family Altar

Years ago in the olden day
The home contained God's Word;
Families learned to read and pray
And witness for the Lord.

They studied about some such men As David and King Saul, And Daniel in the lion's den, Or Barnabas and Paul.

They learned of God's begotten Son,
Who came to die for all;
To save from sin, everyone
Who answered to His call.

But now, today, in this new age,
We don't take time to pray,
Or read God's word—even a page.
But just go on our way.

And so if you want a blessing, Or to see your children grow; Read God's Word together at home -Tell Him you love Him so.

-By Phillip Ralston

Recipe of the Month

Creamy Chicken Lasagna

3 skinless, boneless chicken breast halves

6 uncooked lasagna noodles

I cube chicken bouillon

1/4 cup hot water

- I (8 ounce) package cream cheese, softened
- 2 cups shredded mozzarella cheese
- I (26 ounce) jar spaghetti sauce

Bring a large pot of lightly salted water to a boil. Cook lasagna noodles for 8 to 10 minutes, or until al dente. Drain, rinse with cold water, and set aside. Meanwhile, place the chicken in a saucepan with enough water to cover, and bring to a boil. Cook for 20 minutes, or until no longer pink and juices run clear. Remove from saucepan, and shred. Preheat oven to 350 degrees F (175 degrees C). Dissolve the bouillon cube in hot water. In a large bowl, mix the chicken with the bouillon, cream cheese, and I cup mozzarella cheese. Spread I/3 of spaghetti sauce in the bottom of a 9x13 inch baking dish. Cover with the chicken mixture, and top with 3 lasagna noodles; repeat. Top with remaining sauce, and sprinkle with remaining mozzarella cheese. Bake for 45 minutes in the preheated oven. http://allrecipes.com/recipe/creamy-chicken-lasagna/



Chillie's Corner

What Would You Like Them To Say?

Three buddies die in a car crash, and they go to heaven to an orientation. They are all asked, "When you are in your casket and friends and family are mourning upon you, what would you like to hear them say about you?

The first guy says, "I would like to hear them say that I was a great doctor of my time, and a great family man." The second guy says, "I would like to hear that I was a wonderful husband and school teacher which made a huge difference in our children of tomorrow."

The last guy replies, "I would like to hear them say, "Look! He's moving!"



"Anger is like drinking poison and expecting someone else to die..."

Bible Trivia—I Didn't Know That!

- A) After murdering an Egyptian, Moses fled to where?
- B) Gershom's grandmother (aka Moses' mom) was named what?
- C) Moses' father-in-law, Jethro, was known by what other name?
- D) In 2 Timothy 3:8 (NASB), Paul mentions two magicians who opposed Moses by using their sacred arts to imitate the prophet's miracles. What were their names?
- E) Which of Moses' miracles were Pharaoh's magicians NOT able to imitate?
- F) In what bitter waters did Moses throw a stick to make the water drinkable?
- G) In 2 Corinthians 3:15 (NIV), Paul wrote that "when Moses is read," something covers the Israelites' hearts. What is that something?
- H) Disputing with the devil about the body of Moses was who?

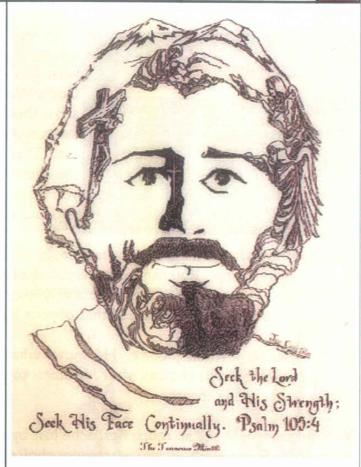
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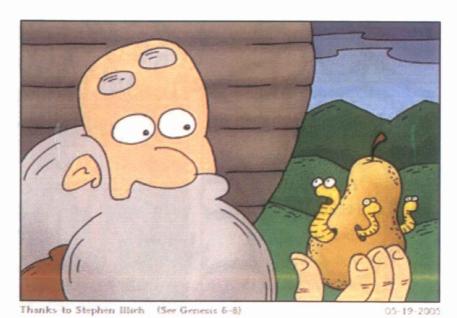




To live like Jesus lived...

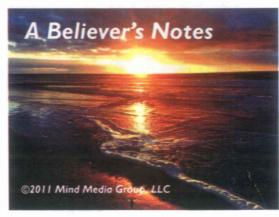
You have to die like Jesus died...





WE WERE TOLD YOU WERE TAKING CREATURES THAT CAME TO YOU IN PEARS

Rise Up To His Way Of Thinking



If you abide in me, and my Word abide in you, ye shall ask what you will, and it shall be done unto you. John 15:7. God's Words are living forces. Powerful forces that if you allow them to take up residence in you, it will produce holiness in your life. To be holy is to be separated to God's use. Therefore, if you allow your choices to be bathed in the anointing of God's Word, those choices will separate you from the destructive bent of this natural world and take you into the blessings of the supernatural realm.

lust think how far-reaching the consequences of such a change would be. Your choices can affect an entire generation. You can make certain choices that can either damage or enrich everything around you. What may not seem like a very important decision to you, may ultimately make vital differences in your own future and that of your family.

But God sees the whole picture. He knows what's around the corner that you can't see. So when you are walking in His choices, your life starts to fit. Things start working. All the pieces of the puzzle start coming together.

You can save your self so much headache just by spending some quality time in God's presence and in His Word. He will help you with every choice that you make.

Start getting the Word into your heart. Let God begin to lift you up to His way of thinking.

Bible Trivia

- (From Page 4)
- A) Midian

Exodus 2:15

B) Jochebed

Numbers 26:59

C) Reuel Numbers 10:29

D) Jannes and Jambres

2 Timothy 3:8

-I Didn't Know That! E) Bringing forth gnats and mosquitoes to cover men and beasts

Exodus 8:18

G) Marah

Exodus 15:22-25

H) Veil

2 Corinthians 3:15

I) Michael the Archangel

Jude 9

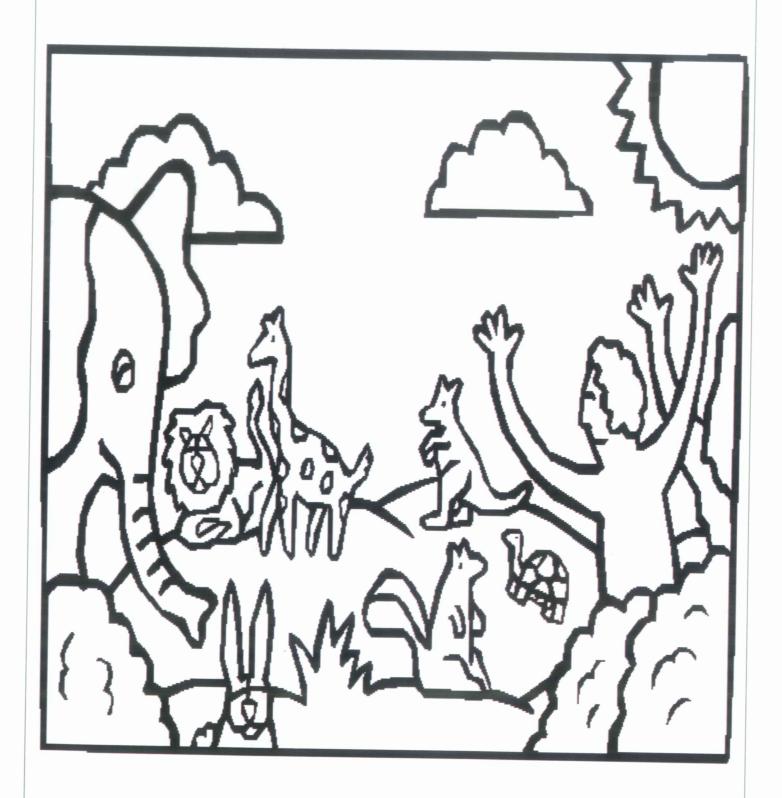
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WILL YOU PLEASE PICK UP ALL YOUR CLOTHES?

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Kids Corner (We are ALL His kids!)



Kids Corner

In the Beginning

Genesis I:I through 2:3

In the beginning God created the heaven and the earth.

² And the earth was without form, and void; and darkness was upon the face of the deep. And the Spirit of God moved upon the face of the waters.

³ And God said, Let there be light: and there was light.

⁴ And God saw the light, that it was good: and God divided the light from the darkness.

⁵ And God called the light Day, and the darkness he called Night. And the evening and the morning were the first day.

⁶ And God said, Let there be a firmament in the midst of the waters, and let it divide the waters from the waters.

⁷ And God made the firmament, and divided the waters which were under the firmament from the waters which were above the firmament: and it was so.

⁸ And God called the firmament Heaven. And the evening and the morning were the second day.

⁹ And God said, Let the waters under the heaven be gathered together unto one place, and let the dry land appear: and it was so.

¹⁰ And God called the dry land Earth; and the gathering together of the waters called he Seas: and God saw that it was good.

¹¹ And God said, Let the earth bring forth grass, the herb yielding seed, and the fruit tree yielding fruit after his kind, whose seed is in itself, upon the earth: and it was so.

¹² And the earth brought forth grass, and herb yielding seed after his kind, and the tree yielding fruit, whose seed was in itself, after his kind: and God saw that it was good.

¹³ And the evening and the morning were the third day.

¹⁴ And God said, Let there be lights in the firmament of the heaven to divide the day from the night; and let them be for signs, and for seasons, and for days, and years:

¹⁵ And let them be for lights in the firmament of the heaven to give light upon the earth: and it was so.

¹⁶ And God made two great lights; the greater light to rule the day, and the lesser light to rule the night: he made the stars also.

¹⁷ And God set them in the firmament of the heaven to give light upon the earth,

¹⁸ And to rule over the day and over the night, and to divide the light from the darkness: and God saw that it was good.

¹⁹ And the evening and the morning were the fourth day.

²⁰ And God said, Let the waters bring forth abundantly the moving creature that hath life, and fowl that may fly above the earth in the open firmament of heaven.

²¹ And God created great whales, and every living creature that moveth, which the waters brought forth abundantly, after their kind, and every winged fowl after his kind: and God saw that it was good.

²² And God blessed them, saying, Be fruitful, and multiply, and fill the waters in the seas, and let fowl multiply in the earth.

²³ And the evening and the morning were the fifth day.

²⁴ And God said, Let the earth bring forth the living creature after his kind, cattle, and creeping thing, and beast of the earth after his kind: and it was so.

²⁵ And God made the beast of the earth after his kind, and cattle after their kind, and every thing that creepeth upon the earth after his kind: and God saw that it was good.

²⁶ And God said, Let us make man in our image, after our likeness: and let them have dominion over the fish of the sea, and over the fowl of the air, and over the cattle, and over all the earth, and over every creeping thing that creepeth upon the earth.

²⁷ So God created man in his own image, in the image of God created he him; male and female created he them.

²⁸ And God blessed them, and God said unto them, Be fruitful, and multiply, and replenish the earth, and subdue it: and have dominion over the fish of the sea, and over the fowl of the air, and over every living thing that moveth upon the earth.

²⁹ And God said, Behold, I have given you every herb bearing seed, which is upon the face of all the earth, and every tree, in the which is the fruit of a tree yielding seed; to you it shall be for meat.

³⁰ And to every beast of the earth, and to every fowl of the air, and to every thing that creepeth upon the earth, wherein there is life, I have given every green herb for meat: and it was so.

³¹ And God saw every thing that he had made, and, behold, it was very good. And the evening and the morning were the sixth day.

¹Thus the heavens and the earth were finished, and all the host of them.

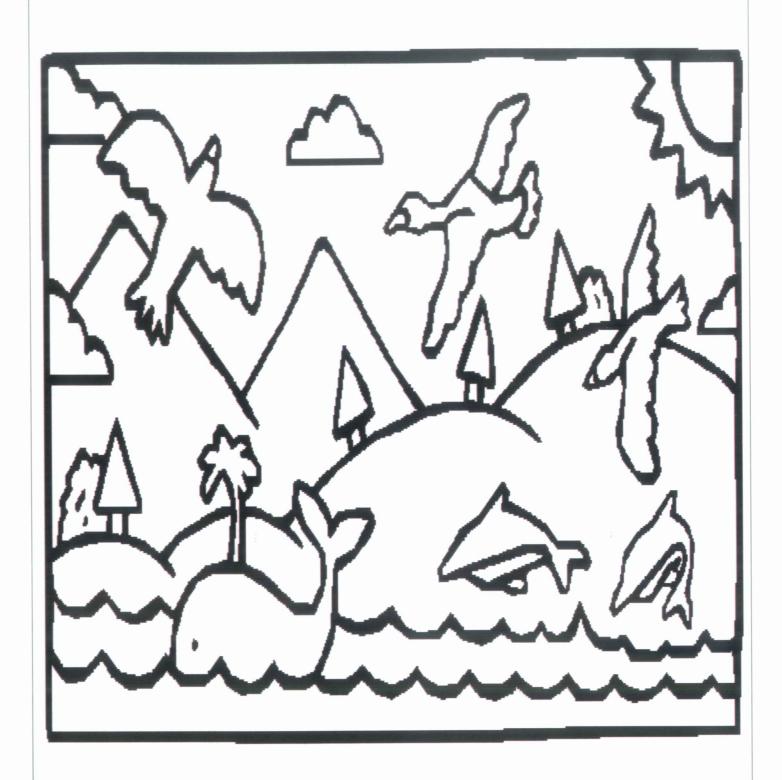
² And on the seventh day God ended his work which he had made; and he rested on the seventh day from all his work which he had made.

³ And God blessed the seventh day, and sanctified it: because that in it he had rested from all his work which God created and made.

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Kids Corner

The Creation Story



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Word Find—"In The Beginning"

Adam
Afraid
Animals
Beginning
Birds
Cherubim
Create
Creation
Dark
Disobeyed
Driven
Earth

Evil
Fig
Fish
Flaming sword
Food
Fruit
Garden
Genesis
Good
Heaven

Enmity

Image
Knowledge
Leaves
Light
Moon
Old Testament
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Serpent Seventh

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Toward a Theology of Immigration

One might think that Christians who say that they believe the Bible as God's infallible Word would arrive at similar positions on public issues. What we actually find is that our views cover a wide range of opinion. This indicates that either many Christians don't seek out what the Bible teaches on such topics, and they hold to one of the viewpoints of the world, or that they react emotionally to issues, or both. The issue of immigrants coming into America from other nations, especially Mexico, is seldom presented from any Biblical base. Therefore, the development of a Christian immigration policy is needed to compete with other ideas. Aside from the challenge of selling such a policy to a secular government, it is useful for Christians at least to become convinced in their own minds (Romans 14:5).

We read in Deuteronomy 10:18 that the Lord "loveth the stranger, in giving him food and raiment." Furthermore, there is no prohibition against aliens becoming wealthy (Leviticus 25:47).

In Deuteronomy 23:7-8 we read of God's favorable naturalization policy toward aliens of Edomite and Egyptian descent: we can extend such favor to immigrants generally. "The children that are begotten of them shall enter into the congregation of the Lord in their third generation." The U.S. Constitution, since it awards citizenship to all who are natural born within our borders, offers a policy that is considerably more generous that what was prescribed in the Old Testament. Moreover there are certain people, the Ammonite and Moabite in old times, who "shall not enter into the congregation of the Lord; even to their tenth generation..." (Deuteronomy 23:3) The unpopularity of a verse should however not consign it to invisibility during the development of a scriptural position.

I believe that God was addressing assimilation into Israel's culture, and He recognized that it often takes a long time for worldly or pagan customs to weaken so as not to unduly contaminate a culture informed by Himself. In addition, any stranger who became a citizen of Israel was expected to participate in all of Israel's feasts. The Lord speaks not only of the Israelites' actions towards the aliens, but also of the strangers' responsibilities toward the host nation.

The New Testament heavily addresses heavenly citizenship, but very lightly national citizenship. I see three categories of immigrants described by Moses: the naturalized citizen, the alien on the favorable track, and the alien on the disqualified track. The majority is responsible to love all immigrants (Leviticus 19:34), but the three categories may be defined by immigrant commitment level to the host country. Obviously, differentiating the privileges allowed to the two latter groups is quite a challenge in the context of modern America. Yet we should at least place attention on these Bible verses if we hope to formulate an immigration policy pleasing to the Lord.

-Phil Rust





All About Me "Cathrine Evans"

Cathrine Ruth Evans began attending The Shield of Faith Church in 1996. Proud grandmother of one and mother of six, she stays busy caring for her children and managing her home. Currently, Cathrine is engaged to Ronald Gallagher and they hope to marry sometime in October.

At age 10, Cathrine was saved at First Baptist Church in Goose Creek. Her favorite Scripture is Jeremiah 29:11 "For I know the thoughts that I think towards you, says the Lord. Thoughts of peace and not of evil, to give you a future and a hope." No matter what dark place she has been through, this Scripture has always given her a hope and a peace that God has a better place for her.

She loves "Words with Friends" so look her up! Cathrine also loves to read, work puzzles, and take walks. She also enjoys reading her Bible and meditating on the word of God.

Something not many people know about her is that she is a big kid. She loves to play! She really does get just as excited about birthday parties as her kids! She's a fun person to be around and a great friend.

Cathrine would love to buy a BIG RV and travel across the United States visiting everywhere! She would also love to homeschool her children one day.

God takes bad and turns things around for good. Cathrine believes that her life is a prime example of this and she shares her testimony with those around her in an effort to help share what Jesus has done for her. God has truly given her a future and a hope. She has been blessed with her home, her life, her children, and her church family. It's a beautiful life!



Ode To My Mulch

Oh mulch how I love thee...

Why, I ask, are you swimming away from me?

I spread you out and move you around on the ground,

And still once the rain drops fall I watch them call you down

The drive way and into the street

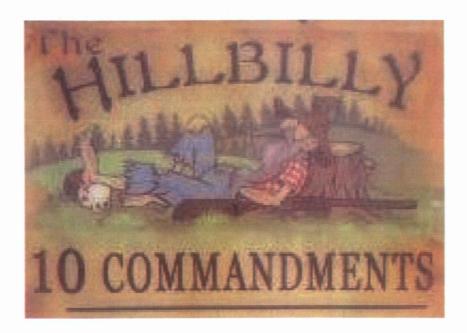
And if I'm not careful you stick my feet.

Come back red mulch I cry

Before I have to call the maintenance guy!

-Sharla Overton





- I. Ain't but One God.
- 2. Honor yer Ma and Pa.
- 3. No telling' tales or gossipin'.
- 4. Git yer hide ta Sunday meetin'.
- 5. Ain't notin' come before the Lord.
- 6. No foolin' with another fellers gal.
- 7. No killin' sept fer critters.
- 8. Quit yer foul mouthin'.
- 9. No swiping' yer kin folks stuff.
- 10.Don't be hankerin' fer it neither.

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Sunday School Events

Children's Sunday School

For the month of September, the children's Sunday school class will be learning about the God who created everything, and we will conclude learning about the God who corrects us. We will concentrate in the book of Genesis. We'll start by learning about God's plan in creation, and the fact that our God is trustworthy and has a plan and order for everything that happened in creation. We will go through each day of creation and learn how to appreciate His creation. David said in Psalm 19:1, "The heavens declare the glory of God; the skies proclaim the work of his hands. "Only God can create things out of nothing. Man must use what God has already created.

We will dive into God's great world and talk about some of the amazing creatures he made. Then, we will talk about his most amazing creation of all, US! What is our role in creation? We will learn how we are all created in God's image, and why we are so important to Him.

We will talk about how God created Adam and Eve and what their jobs were to be. God gave us charge/dominion over the things he made.

Finally, we will touch on the consequences of sin as told in the book of Genesis. Specifically, we will learn how Adam and Eve had the ultimate circumstances in the Garden of Eden, only to sin and be left to live in guilt and punishment, because of their sin. Romans 6:23 says that the "wages of sin is death".

The kids are coming a long way with their books of the Bible. Please continue to help your kids at home with this important part of bible memory. Remember, Jesus loves all the little children.

- Rachel Ferguson

Men's Sunday School

Join us for Men's Sunday School and let us dive into the word of God together!

Ladies Sunday School

The Ladies are having a high time in the Lord as they enter a new month and a new book. The overall title of this book is A Living Faith. This quarter we will be studying part of Hebrews, I Corinthians and Acts. **Unit I:** What Is Faith?; will focus on Faith. Lesson I - Faith Calls for Perseverance showing us that we can persevere in faith together. Lesson 2 - Faith Is Assurance and how faith reveals God. After going through this lesson, we should be able to determine whether our sense of well-being is based on our faith or our circumstances. Lesson 3 - Faith is Endurance shows us that looking to Jesus will empower us; studying the Scriptures in this lesson will help us to learn the principles of running a sound spiritual race. Lesson 4 - Faith Inspires Gratitude will show us why we should be thankful for being in God's unshakable kingdom and the differences between the covenant of law and the covenant of grace. Lesson 5 - Faith Requires Mutual Love shows that a priority of our faith is love. **Unit 2:** Who Understands Faith? **Unit 3:** Where Does Faith Take Us?

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Sunday School Events—Continued

Ladies Sunday School

Lesson I: In Step I, we will discuss the ways in which our perseverance will be rewarded. In Step 2, we learn why we need to persevere in believing what we know to be true about Jesus. In Step 3, we will discuss what we can do so that we will persevere in our faith. In Step 4, we will commit to persevere in our faith. As we go through this lesson we will see why the Cross is a crucial part of our relationship with God. "Jesus' death 'made perfect all those being made holy.' It is in trusting this and trusting in this alone that saves us. Because our sins are no longer counted against us, we can come into God's presence with full confidence that we are accepted by Him. Knowing that Jesus' death results in making us right with God should affect how we live and how we relate to other believers."



Now is the time to take an inventory of our relationship with Jesus Christ. There is no better time than now to make sure that we are in a right standing with God and that we are taking full advantage of the sacrifice Jesus made on the Cross. He suffered just so that we can have eternal life; a direct line to the Father without the use of a middle man (priest). Jesus wanted to make sure that we had a direct

We look forward to seeing you on Sunday at 9:45am!

access to the kingdom. He wants us to proclaim to others that there is no way to God other than through the Cross. Connect with others who have the same beliefs as you so that you can encourage each other to persevere in faith. You also connect with other believers to memorize the scriptures. Find a buddy and/or a partner who can help and encourage you study and memorize scriptures. Let's try to avoid the things that could result in compromising or abandoning our faith. Hebrews 10:23 (KJV) Let us hold fast the pro-

fession of our faith without wavering; (for he is faithful that promised;)

-Yolanda Wilson

April

Romans 8:18 (KJV)

are not worthy to be compared with the glory which that put their trust in Him. shall be revealed in us.

May

James 1:19 (KJV)

swift to hear, slow to speak, slow to wrath:

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Hebrews 4:16 (KJV)

¹⁶Let us therefore come boldly unto the throne of **Ephesians 2:8 (KJV)** grace, that we may obtain mercy, and find grace to 8For by grace are ye saved through faith; and that help in time of need.

July

Proverbs 30:5 (KJV)

¹⁸For I reckon that the sufferings of this present time ⁵Every word of God is pure: he is a shield unto them

August

Psalm 146:2 & 5 (KJV)

²While I live will I praise the Lord: I will sing praises ¹⁹Wherefore, my beloved brethren, let every man be unto my God while I have any being. 5 Happy is he that hath the God of Jacob for his help, whose hope is in the Lord his God:

September

not of yourselves: it is the gift of God:



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Deepening our Relationship with Him...







Next deadline to submit articles is: Wednesday, September 19nd.

September 2012

Sunday	Monday	Tuesday	Wednesday	Thursday	Friday	Saturday
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