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Welcome to our Visitors. You are our honored guests. Please fill out a visitor's card and let us know if you have any questions about our congregation. We hope to see you again soon.

Serving Today

Song Leader: Angelo Cusimano

Opening: Troy Vargas

Scripture Reading: Ken Lathrop

Communion:

Lead: Roger Weaver
Assisting: Virgil Cook
Side: Ben Blaylock
Side: Kenny Wilkerson
Closing Prayer: David West

Usher: Ken Lathrop

Today's Service

Song - 463 Song - 37 Opening Prayer

Scripture Reading: 2 Corinthians 3: 12-18

Song - 157 Communion Song - 254

Sermon: History Is HIS Story (3): The Rest of

The Old Testament

Song - 347 Announcements Closing Prayer

Prayer Requests

- Donna Brown
- Iwana Smith
- Yvonne Parker
- Jack and Brenda Hood, Robin Cusimano's Parents
- Jennifer Rogan, The Cook's Daughter
- John and Joan Lup
- Robin Burwell, the Lester's DaughterMichael Parker Jr., achilles tendon
- Trudy Dawkins
- Ruthie Sirman's Mother & Ruthie

Sunday: 9:30 AM Bible Class 10:30 AM Worship Wednesday: 7 PM Bible Class

Event Calendar

Jan 13th- Ladies Bible Class- 7pm

Dec 31st- New Year's Eve Party at 2PM at the church building. There will be games and prizes, please bring finger food. Peggy will bring pizza.

Upcoming Birthdays

Dec 14th- Nita Wilson Dec 18th- Pam Lester Dec 23rd- Doris Booth

Announcements

The 2020 sign-up sheet for communion preparation and trash removal is on the table in the foyer. Please sign up if you'd like to perform these duties.

Pam Lester requests our prayers for her cousin's daughter, Sherri Matheny, who has very advanced cancer. She lives in WV. She is 50 years old.

Today's Bible Question

Those who "go from strength to strength" are those who

- a) have strength that is in God
- b) have helped the children of Lot
- c) sing aloud to God
- d) alternate steadfast love and faithfulness



More Than Any Concern for Ourselves

"... that I may know Him and the power of His resurrection, and the fellowship of His sufferings, being conformed to His death, if, by any means, I may attain to the resurrection from the dead" (Philippians 3:10,11). KNOWING GOD IS WORTH WHATEVER IT COSTS. EVEN IF IT MEANS THE SACRIFICE OF EVERY CONCERN FOR OURSELVES. For most of us, however, it takes constant vigilance to make sure our hearts are truly turned in God's direction and we are seeking Him for His own sake. We must be careful not to "use" God. He does not exist to furnish us a means — not even the highest of means — by which we can come to think of ourselves more positively. God is not a means to anything, least of all the mere boosting of our self-image.

What, then, is "godliness" about? It may come as a surprise to some, but godliness is about more than the acquiring of godly character. We can't glorify God as we should without living godly lives, it is true, but the reasons for which we seek to become godly have more to do with Him than with us. We do not show reverence and gratitude to Him simply because it benefits us, but because those are the proper responses of a creature to its Creator.

Our self-centered approach to godliness is one reason why our religion does not show up any more often in service to those around us. Oswald Chambers made this point in his usual terse way: "Christian workers fail because they place their desire for their own holiness above their desire to know God. 'Don't ask me to be confronted with the strong reality of redemption on behalf of the filth of human life surrounding me today; what I want is anything God can do for me to make me more desirable in my own eyes." Living in a culture that so openly worships self-esteem, can we fail to be made uncomfortable by words like these?

At all costs, we must move away from selfcenteredness, even when it appears in the guise of a desire for holiness. This does not mean that holiness should not be a priority, for it certainly should be. But holiness, like happiness, comes as a by-product of seeking something more important than any concern for ourselves, namely the glory of God. Our principal focus must be kept on Him and on serving others in His name. The "bottom line" is not how this or that action affects the way we look at ourselves but whether those deeds magnify His eternal honor. "God cannot deliver me while my interest is merely in my own character" (Oswald

Gary Henry - WordPoints.com

Today's Bible Quiz Answer

a) have strength that is in God

Ps 84:5-12

Chambers).

5 Blessed are those whose strength is in you, who have set their hearts on pilgrimage. 6 As they pass through the Valley of Baca, they make it a place of springs; the autumn rains also cover it with pools. 7 They go from strength to strength, till each appears before God in Zion.

8 Hear my prayer, O LORD God Almighty; listen to me, O God of Jacob. Selah

9 Look upon our shield, O God; look with favor on your anointed one.

10 Better is one day in your courts than a thousand elsewhere: I would rather be a doorkeeper in the house of my God than dwell in the tents of the wicked. 11 For the LORD God is a sun and shield: the LORD bestows favor and honor; no good thing does he withhold from those whose walk is blameless.

12 O LORD Almightv. blessed is the man who trusts in you. NIV