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Sunday: 9:30 AM Bible Class

10:30 AM Worship

Wednesday: 7 PM Bible Class

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.

Serving Today

Song Leader: David West

Opening Prayer: Troy Vargas

Scripture Reading: Jay Polk

Communion:

- Lead: Jerry Sirmans
- Assisting: Ken Lathrop
- Side: McMorris Tater
- Side: Tom Lester

Sermon: David West

Closing Prayer: Angelo Cusimano

Usher: Roger Weaver

Today's Service

- Song-
- Song-
- Song-
- Opening Prayer
- **Scripture Reading:**
- Song .
- Communion
- Song-
- **Sermon:**
- Invitation Song .
- Announcements
- Closing Prayer

Prayer Requests

- **Tom Barker**, Pam Lester's Brother
- **Austin Bruce**
- **Elva Shade**
- **Suzy Wilkerson**
- **Paul Eldridge**
- **Donna Brown**
- **Yvonne Parker**
- **Tom Lester**
- **Iwana Smith**
- **Randy Blaylock**
- **Perry Dawkins**, Trudi Dawkins's Son
- **Kathy Eldridge**
- **Jerry Gialdella** - Tom Lester's Cousin
- **Joe Weathers** . Friend of the Lester's
- **Bob Wilson** . Jimmy Wilson's Brother

Event Calendar

- February 13th - Ladies's Bible Class, 7 PM
- February 18th . Boyd's Scholarship Dinner

Upcoming Birthdays

- February 7th . Andrew Yoches
- February 13th . Jake Weaver
- February 16th . Trudy Dawkins
- February 20th . Alex Lopez
- February 27th . Charyl Cook

Announcements

- A **Men's Business Meeting** is being planned for the near future. Please provide Roger Weaver with any agenda items you would like the men to discuss.
- The **Annual Boyd Scholarship Dinner** will be held the at the Mount Dora Christian Academy & Children's Home on **Saturday, February 18th at 6PM**. There is a sign-up sheet on the table in the foyer. **Please sign up no-later-than Sunday, February 12th** if you'd like to attend this event. More details will be provided once we know how many will be attending.
- **2016 Income Tax Documentation-** See Roger Weaver if you need documentation for your 2016 contributions.

Today's Bible Question?

Who had a dream in which he saw a statue whose feet were smashed by a stone?

- A. Daniel
- B. Darius
- C. Nebuchadnezzar
- D. Cyrus

Awakening to God

And do this, knowing the time, that now it is high time to awake out of sleep . . . The night is far spent, the day is at hand. Therefore let us cast off the works of darkness, and let us put on the armor of light” (Romans 13:11,12).

THE HEART CAN FULLY LOVE GOD ONLY WHEN THE MIND IS TRULY AWAKE TO HIM. Contrary to much of popular spirituality, biblical spirituality celebrates the mind. The mind need not be quieted for the heart to assert itself. Indeed, since the heart follows the mind and our feelings flow from our thinking, the mind must not only be awake but truthfully informed about God if our heart is to have its proper response to Him. Authentic love for God requires accurate knowledge of God, and such knowledge will not come into our possession if our minds are not engaged.

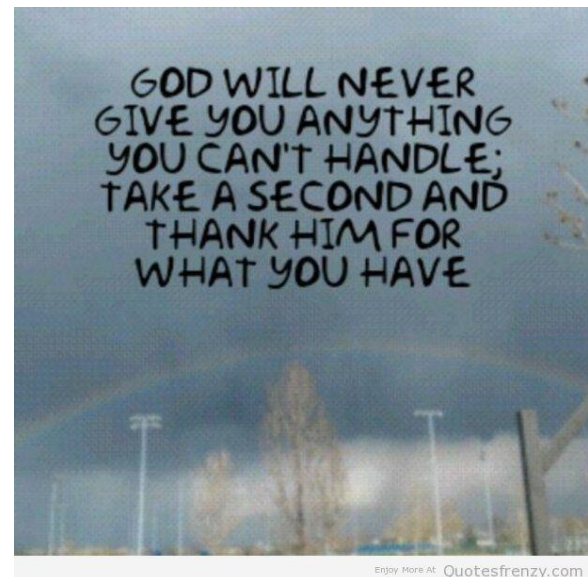
Sad to say, however, many of us spend the greater part of our spiritual lives asleep. We don't make the effort to concentrate on the critical issues that confront our souls. Our minds are not actively engaged with respect to God. As far as all the most important things are concerned, we simply sleepwalk through life. Years are lost in darkness and dullness.

Yet all is not lost. If honesty compels us to admit that we've not been as alert as we ought to be, it is urgent that we wake up. And the biblical injunction to wake up presumes that we can decide to do so. The Light necessary for our spiritual enlightenment is already shining (John 8:12; 1 John 2:8). It must be our choice, however, to **awake out of sleep** (Romans 13:11). Without such a decision on our part, the Light will have little significant effect on us. The old saying that there are **none so blind as those who will not see** reflects an important biblical truth (John 9:39-41).

So if we wish our hearts to be aroused to a fervent love of God, then our minds must be awake and aware. If Christianity is what we're thinking about, there need be no conflict between love and knowledge. We must pay reverent attention to the truths by which God would stimulate our hearts. Since there is no being alive without being alert, it is time to shake off our stupor.

O sweet and loving God,
 When I stay asleep too long,
 Oblivious to all your many blessings,
 Then, please, wake me up,
 And sing to me your joyful song.
 (Mechthild of Magdeburg)

Gary Henry – Wordpoints.Com



Answer to Today's Bible Question

Answer: C
 Daniel 2: 31-34