

## BIBLE BAPTIST CHURCH

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I guess I best say it now “good morning.” I suppose most of us took it in stride when the cold snap blew in. Oh it was not welcomed but it also wasn’t paralyzing. The hardship of the previous couple of months took the edge off, didn’t it? I hope you didn’t gripe and complain. If you did, you set your own mood, and in the process maybe troubled someone else’s. (*once again welcome and good morning*)

Ro 14:19 Let us therefore follow after the things which make for peace, and things wherewith one may edify another.

1Th 5:11 Wherefore comfort yourselves together, and edify one another, even as also ye do.

1Co 14:17 **For thou verily givest thanks well, but the other is not edified.**

My thoughts circled around the above verse yesterday and here is what developed. The contest of the verse is dealing with church meetings pertaining to praying, exhorting, singing and ministry of the Spirit of God.

The work of the church as the Apostle Paul preached it was for the perfecting of the saints and edifying of the body of Christ Eph 4:13 Till we all come in the unity of the faith, and of the knowledge of the Son of God, unto a perfect man, unto the measure of the stature of the fulness of Christ:

And that is done more effectively when the saints are encouraging to one another. I have read that a ball team usually does better on home ground. 60% of NBA; 54% in baseball; and in football designated home teams won more than lost. What would cause the “advantage?” Even that is considered a science and the factors are fan presence and familiarity and comfort of the environment. Can this apply to a church setting? Is there a higher morale when everyone shows up?

Now getting back to my opening statements; do we edify one another when we focus on the uncomfortable weather, when we blather on with what the political scene is? Oh we can mention it but I sure hope we rag on about it. There’s a great coming and until God shows His hand we need to pray and do what we can to win the lost. Some Christians today are being spiritually tapped out and they need to plug the drain hole or maybe it’s the inlet valve where the faith is being plunged out by the cares of this life.

Being built up in the faith might require shock to the spiritual muscle of the heart. Eph 4:16 From whom the whole body fitly joined together and compacted by that which every joint supplieth, according to the effectual working in the measure of every part, **maketh increase of the body unto the edifying of itself in love.**

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Eph 4:24 And that ye put on the new man,  
which after God is created in righteousness and true holiness.

### “WHAT CONFIDENCE IS THIS WHEREIN THOU TRUSTEST?”

2Ki 18:19 And Rabshakeh said unto them, Speak ye now to Hezekiah, Thus saith the great king, the king of Assyria, What confidence *is* this wherein thou trustest?

- **Wealth**

Job 31:24 If I have made gold my hope, or have said to the fine gold, *Thou art* my confidence;

- **Man**

Ps 118:9 *It is* better to trust in the LORD than to put confidence in princes.

- **Church**

Jer 48:13 And Moab shall be ashamed of Chemosh, as the house of Israel was ashamed of Bethel their confidence.

- **Self**

Phil. 3:4 Though I might also have confidence in the flesh. If any other man thinketh that he hath whereof he might trust in the flesh, I more:

- **God and His words**

Pr 3:26 For the LORD shall be thy confidence, and shall keep thy foot from being taken.

Tonight at 5:00 “**LOOKING UNTO JESUS**”

Monday at 4:45 Hiawatha Care Center

Wed. at 5:30 Visitation

Wed. at 7:00 Bible Study & Prayer

Missionary of the week: Pastor Stulli – S. Africa

