

Does Jesus Even Care?

By Robert Notgrass

Does Jesus care when your heart is hurt or upset to the point that you have no joyful song left in you to sing? Does He care when you are loaded down with burdens and your fears become overwhelming? Does He care when you look down the road in your life only for you to discover that you are no longer on the straight and narrow to Him and we find it difficult to find that path again when you are standing on the destructive footpath of life? Does He care enough to be near you at the close of the day when you are standing there alone with your faith weakened from the world? Does he care when your friends die and when those you hold so dear in your life fade back into the ground and is now only a memory of what use to be? Does he care when you think about all these things as your hearts break with sadness over what you have endured in life?

Yes, He cares! We can be assured that he cares and that his heart is touched and concerned with our grief. When we read the book of Luke, we notice that it says, "And when he was come near, he beheld the city, and wept over it" (Luke 19:41). Jesus shows his compassion as he looked upon the city of Jerusalem and sobbed because he knew that the city was doomed and that there was no hope of a suspension or reprieve of this sentence.

Yes, He cares! The Hebrew writer said, "Who in the days of his flesh, when he had offered up prayers and supplications with strong crying and tears unto him that was able to save him from death, and was heard in that he feared; Though he were a Son, yet learned he obedience by the things which he suffered;" (Hebrews 5:7, 8). Jesus cared enough to suffer. He cares enough for mankind that he was willing to experience the physical pain and torture of the cross. Jesus did this because he cares. Thus He said, "No man taketh it from me, but I lay it down of myself. I have power to lay it down, and I have power to take it again. This commandment have I received of my Father." (John 10:18)

Our Master is compassionate! He cares when you are hurt, when you are burdened, overwhelmed, when you have fallen, and when you are alone. He knows these things because He knows you and when your days make you worn-out and they are filled with depressing thoughts, remember that your Saviors cares!

Things to know...

Ladies Bible Study - The Crown
This Wednesday, February 7th @ 7pm

**Our next potluck will be next Sunday, February 11th after AM Service
Be sure to sign up for what you plan to bring.**

Men's meeting after AM services on February 18

Help is needed with communion preparation, if you'd be willing,
please sign up on the list on the bulletin board by the entrance.

**HAPPY
BIRTHDAY**

Amie Allen 2/4
Jessica Gaynor 2/6

Mckayah Musselman 2/7
Alexa Rohr 2/20

George Gaynor 2/22

Be sure to look at the directory that John emailed out this past week and let him know if there are any changes that need to be made for you or your family before its printed.

Serving AM & PM today and next Sunday AM:

Sunday Rotation	February 4, 2024 AM	February 4, 2023 PM	February 11, 2024 AM
Greeter	Dustin Desarro	Rick Ferris	Brandon Fourman
Announcements	Tim Bang	Jerry Thompson	Tim Bang
Song Leading	Jason Bang	Duane Kemp	Duane Kemp
Opening Prayer/Usher Left	Seth Arrell	Tim Bang	Jerry Thompson
Lord's Supper Comments	Jerry Thompson	Jason Bang	Tom Muter
Scripture Reading	Duane Kemp	Brandon Fourman	Rick Ferris
Sermon	Tim Bang	Tom Muter	John McGiffin
Closing Prayer/Usher Right	Tom Muter	Judah Gasper	Jason Bang

This week's Bible Verse

“And every day, in the temple and from house to house, they did not cease teaching and preaching Jesus as the Christ.” Acts 5:42



Remember in Prayer:

- *Our Country & leaders
- *Bible Studies currently being held
- *Phyllis Caldwell - health & comfort
- *Rena Morgan - encouragement & health
- *Ernst & Helen Sherrill (Bro/Sis in Christ from TN) - shut ins with ongoing health issues
- *Larry Bey - dealing with Parkinson's
- *Maxine Jones (Laura McGiffin's mom) - dementia and health issues
- *Debby Braefield (Alena Brown's Aunt) - health
- *Terry McGiffin (John McGiffin's dad) - health & comfort
- *Luanne Listner (wife of Tim Bang's friend, Jim) - health
- *Orville Thompson (Jerry Thompson's dad) - health - prostate cancer
- *Lynn Thompson - health
- *Karen Oyler (Stephanie Bang's friend) - has bronchitis, still having chemo treatments
- *Pamela Illinick - Stage 4 Kidney failure
- *Tom Cruze (Phyllis Caldwell's nephew) - health
- *Laura McGiffin - health
- *Viola Schultz - health

- *Crystal Edmonson (co-worker of Laura McGiffin) - her dad's health
- *Andrea Barnes (co worker of Laura McGiffin) - her husband has RSV
- *Billy Jackson (Stephanie Bang's dad) - being treated for a bladder infection and has a PET scan on 2/8
- *Dale Thomas' mother - poor health, currently in hospice care
- *Carla Patrick - having an MRI done on 2/10, follow up appt with her dr on 2/13

How can we be praying for YOU?

Please call, text or email John (jmcgiffin.yayo@gmail.com) with any prayer requests or announcements you have for the congregation.



Attendance and Contribution Record

Sunday, January 28

Bible Classes 26
 AM Attendance 29
 PM Attendance 22

Wednesday, January 31

Bible Classes 24
 Contribution \$983.00



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February 4, 2024

Worship Times:

Sunday Morning Bible class: 9:30am

Sunday Morning Worship: 10:30am

Sunday Evening Worship: 6:00pm

Wednesday Evening Bible Study: 7:00pm

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We are blessed that you have chosen to worship with us. If you are visiting, we would love to have you back with us again. Please take a moment to fill out a visitor's card and let us get to know you.