

"And I will walk at liberty, For I seek Your precepts." Psalm 119:45

<u>Lord's Supper Reflection – Help Me Believe in the Power of the Cross</u>

If It Is Possible, Let This Cup Pass From Me

"He went a little farther and fell on His face, and prayed, saying, "O My Father, if it is possible, let this cup pass from Me; nevertheless, not as I will, but as You will." Then He came to the disciples and found them sleeping, and said to Peter, "What! Could you not watch with Me one hour? Watch and pray, lest you enter into temptation. The spirit indeed is willing, but the flesh is weak." Again, a second time, He went away and prayed, saying, "O My Father, if this cup cannot pass away from Me unless I drink it, Your will be done." Matthew 26:39-42

Offering Meditation

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"Now you Philippians know also that in the beginning of the gospel, when I departed from Macedonia, no church shared with me concerning giving and receiving but you only. For even in Thessalonica you sent *aid* once and again for my necessities. Not that I seek the gift, but I seek the fruit that abounds to your account. Indeed I have all and abound. I am full, having received from Epaphroditus the things *sent* from you, a sweet-smelling aroma, an acceptable sacrifice, well pleasing to God." Philippians 4:15-18

Remember in Prayer:

- *Our Country & leaders
- *Rena Morgan Shut in, health
- *Phyllis Caldwell eyesight, encouragement
- *Brian Sturgell (Curt/Shandar's neighbor) both of his parents both have cancer
- *Ruby Perry (Laura McGiffin's aunt) healing from a fall and broken wrist and hip
- *Rodney Bottoms (the Seiber's neighbor) has cancer
- *David Netzley (friend of the Bang's) has diabetes and is dealing with foot problems

*Roger Cox (Phyllis' nephew, Stanley's dad) - has been falling and has dementia. Stanley and Carol are in MT to be with him.

How may we be praying for YOU?

Please call John or email him at jmcgiffin.yayo@gmail.com with any prayer requests or announcements you may have for the congregation.

Attendance and Contribution Record Sunday, June 27 Bible Classes 22 AM Attendance 35 PM Attendance 25 Contribution \$894

Welcome to **Greenville Church of Christ**



July 4, 2021

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 happy that you have chosen to worship with us today. If you are visiting, you are our honored guests and 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.

What True Freedom Is

By Mike Riley

More and more, we are seeing and hearing the actors and actresses on daily television soap operas, using vulgar language in describing in sickening detail their immoral activities.

Seemingly, these folks who shamelessly discuss their sins in public, obviously think of themselves as "liberated" because they dare to flaunt their immorality before a gullible public (Romans 1:32; cf. Psalm 50:16-22; Hosea 7:1-7).

But what a strange kind of freedom is that? Little do they know how enslaved they really are (John 8:34 ESV; Romans 6:16,23 ESV).

This writer has overheard men who were obese and coughing heavily, boldly say, "No one, not even my doctor, is going to take away my freedom to smoke or to eat what I want to eat." In just a short period of time, their so-called "freedom" killed them.

Another man once told me that he had left his wife so he could be "free" to live as he pleased. When I saw him a few years later, he was a physical and emotional wreck. He admitted that he had become a slave to deviate practices that were killing him, but he was unwilling to change his lifestyle. Shortly thereafter, he passed from this life into eternity.

Brethren and friends, the idea that we can have true freedom without restraint or discipline **is an illusion originating from Satan** (John 8:44). Doing what we please without seeking to do God's will (Matthew 7:21; James 1:18-25), brings **slavery to sin** (John 8:34 ESV) that soon leads to **spiritual death** (Romans 6:16,23 ESV).

Conversely, when we place our trust in the Lord Jesus, being guided by His doctrine, He will provide us freedom from guilt — freedom from the bondage of sin — freedom from feelings of futility — and freedom from the fear of death.

Brethren and friends, **that's true freedom!** (John 8:33-36; cf. Romans 8:2; Gal. 5:1).

Romans 8:2

"For the law of the Spirit of life in Christ Jesus hath made me free from the law of sin and death."

Serving today and next Sunday:

Sunday AM Rotation	July 4, 2021	July 11, 2021
Announcements	John McGiffin	John McGiffin
Song Leading	Owen Whittington	Isaac Mayes
Opening Prayer	Jerry Thompson	Curt Thompson
Lord's Supper Comments	Tim Bang	Jason Bang
Scripture Reading	Chris McGiffin	Aiden Rohr
Sermon	John McGiffin	John McGiffin
Closing Prayer	Bryan Allen	Tim Bang

Things you should know about!

Communion is available as you come in the building, please take only what is needed for today. Hold on to the emblems until the proper time. $\sim \sim \sim$
Men's Meeting THIS Saturday, July 10th $\sim \sim \sim$
Happy Anniversary!!
Jerry and Carrie Thompson July 4th
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Bryan Allen 7/9 Matthew Wilson 7/21 Erica Gaynor 7/22 Ed Kirchner 7/25 Michelle Buckingham 7/25 ~~~~~~~~~~~~~~~~~~~~~~~~~~~~~~~~~~~
Card Canvas - take some business cards and write your name and phone number on them, give to three and ask them to call you if they're interested in free bible study.
Next month's Potlack will be on July 11th!
Rocky Railway VBS oin us for VBS on July 17th Teaching how Jesus' power can pull us through If you are willing to help, please see Dianna Bang.
If you are interested in helping put together MAGI boxes, see the letter or the bulletin board or Carrie Thompson for more information.
Fort Hill Youth Camp July 25-31 There are items needed for campers if you can help, please see John or Laura McGiffin for a list of specifics.
Bible Reading for this week Topics: "God Prepared the World for Jesus" and "Preparing Ourselves" Isaiah 53:1-8 Luke 1:5-25, 57-66, 88; 1:26-56

Matthew 1:18-21