

# Bible Verse of the Week

"For our light affliction, which is but for a moment, is working for us a far more exceeding *and* eternal weight of glory..." 2 Corinthians 4:17

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**Lord's Supper Reflection – Help Me Believe in the Power of the Cross**

*Sorrow Will Only Be Temporal*

"Now Jesus knew that they desired to ask Him, and He said to them, "Are you inquiring among yourselves about what I said, 'A little while, and you will not see Me; and again a little while, and you will see Me'? Most assuredly, I say to you that you will weep and lament, but the world will rejoice; and you will be sorrowful, but your sorrow will be turned into joy. ... Therefore you now have sorrow; but I will see you again and your heart will rejoice, and your joy no one will take from you. John 16:19-22

**Offering Meditation**

*You Cannot Serve God and Money*

"No servant can serve two masters; for either he will hate the one and love the other, or else he will be loyal to the one and despise the other. You cannot serve God and mammon." Now the Pharisees, who were lovers of money, also heard all these things, and they <sup>l</sup>derided Him. And He said to them, "You are those who justify yourselves before men, but God knows your hearts. For what is highly esteemed among men is an abomination in the sight of God." Luke 16:13-15

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**Remember in Prayer:**

- \*Our Country & leaders
- \*Rena Morgan - Shut in, health
- \*Phyllis Caldwell - eyesight, encouragement
- \*Larry Warren (Greg Buckingham's Uncle) is recovering from quadruple bypass surgery
- \*Megan Roysse - health concerns
- \*Laura McGiffin - upcoming mouth surgery, having tooth pain
- \*Stu Lowry - recovering from surgery
- \*The Tillman Family (co-worker of Laura) lost everything in a house fire last weekend.
- \*Brian Sturgell (Curt/Shandar's neighbor) - his parents both recently found out they have cancer

- \*Gary Stewart (Isaac Mayes' grandpa) - has a cyst on his pancreas and will be having tests done
- \*Clint Hartman (preacher in Lima) - travels to Thailand on mission trips, but borders are currently closed, asking for prayers that they open and he will be able to go soon
- \*Rodney Bottoms (the Siebert's neighbor) has cancer
- David Netzley (friend of the Bang's) has diabetes and is dealing with foot problems

**How may we be praying for YOU?**

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

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**Attendance and Contribution Record**

Sunday, May 30		Wednesday, June 2	
Bible Classes	30	Attendance	34
AM Attendance	40	Contribution	\$1,061.92
PM Attendance	35		

# Welcome to Greenville Church of Christ



## June 6, 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.

**“For Whoever Greets Him Takes Part in His Wicked Works”**

By Jon Mitchell

The church of Jesus Christ is held in very high esteem by the Scriptures. Our Lord built her himself, and she cannot be destroyed (Matt. 16:18). He exercises his supreme authority solely in her interests (Eph. 1:22). She is his body, and is what fills him up (Eph. 1:22-23). She is the only avenue in which one can know the awesome wisdom of God, which was God’s plan from before the world began (Eph. 3:10-11). She is the only place in which one can give God glory (Eph. 3:21). Christ saves only her (Eph. 5:23), and died for her as well (Eph. 5:25). He has set her apart for glory, to cleanse her and present her to himself without any spot or blemish of sin (Eph. 5:26-27). He nourishes and cherishes her just as we do with our own bodies (Eph. 5:29-30). She is God’s family, and is also the firm foundation of the truth of his Word (1 Tim. 3:15; cf. John 17:17). Jesus purchased her with his own blood (Acts 20:28).

Yet, over the years careless and misguided souls have tried to change the church from what the Bible describes it as being. They say that the Lord’s church is made up of all the different denominations, sects, and religious groups which exist today, that “one church is just as good as another,” that “we all are going to Heaven, just by different roads.” They say these things even though all of these different churches, sects, and groups of Christendom have different doctrines, follow different creeds, leaders, and authorities...all while claiming to be led by the same Holy Spirit. Does the Spirit of God tell one church one thing and tell another church the exact opposite? Or does God’s Holy Spirit-inspired Word (2 Pet. 1:19-21) actually teach that there is **ONE** body and thus **ONE** church (Eph. 4:4; cf. 1:22-23), that there is actually **ONE** faith (Eph. 4:5), and that this **ONE** faith comes only from God’s Word (Rom. 10:17)? God is not the author of confusion (1 Cor. 14:33). Satan is (Matt. 13:24-30, 36-43).

The teaching of the Scriptures are so plain, so why do people stray from them and start these man-made churches which teach false doctrine? The Bible tells us why (2 Tim. 4:3-4). They do so because they want someone to scratch their itching ears. They want someone to teach them only what they want to hear rather than the truth of the Word of God. This is why it is so important to walk in truth and love, friends. Love and truth are very closely mingled together, because love means that we walk according to God’s commandments which are truth (2 John 4-6; John 17:17).

So how do we walk in truth and in love when we encounter those who teach error? First of all, we must beware of them (2 John 7; 1 John 4:1-3; cf. Matt. 7:15; 24:11, 23-25; Acts 20:29-31; 1 Tim. 4:1-3; 2 Pet. 2:1-3). In John’s day, they were teaching that Jesus had not come in the flesh. That was a direct falsehood, which is why John called them deceivers and antichrists (“antichrist” simply meaning “against Christ,” which is what one is when one teaches falsehood about Christ. “The Antichrist” being some supernatural, satanic, unstoppable, end-of-the-world-bringing force is a false concept also brought about by false teachers.)

Secondly, we must be on guard by watching out for ourselves and examining ourselves (2 John 8; cf. Mark 13:5, 9, 23, 33; 2 Cor. 13:5; Acts 20:28; Gal. 6:1). We must never take our relationship with God for granted, for by doing so it will be easier for us to fall prey to the deceptions of these false teachers and thus lose our heavenly reward (2 John 8; cf. Heb. 3:12-4:1). This is why our own, regular, committed, deep study and meditation of God’s Word on a daily basis is so important (Ps. 1:1-3). It is only through deep study and obedience of God’s Word and constant self-examination that we will abide in the doctrine of Christ.

Abiding in the doctrine of Christ is crucial if we are to keep a healthy relationship with God, because those who do not abide in Christ’s teachings do not have God (2 John 9; cf. 1 John 1:6; 2:3-5). The doctrine of Christ is defined as both teaching about Christ (cf. 2 John 7) as well as the commandments which he gave (cf. 1 John 3:24). Those who keep his Word will have a relationship with him and his Father (2 John 9; cf. John 14:21, 23), and will never have to worry about losing their reward.

This is why it is so important that we be on the lookout for those who would deceive us and cause us to lose our inheritance. Appropriately, God has told us to not even eat or give a greeting to false teachers (2 John 10-11; cf. Rom. 16:17-18; 2 Tim. 3:1-9; 1 Tim. 6:20-21; Eph. 5:11). From time to time, those who teach error will come our way. Some will be proven to have taught error out of sincere ignorance, and will be open to scriptural correction (cf. Acts 18:25-26). However, those who are proven to be unrepentantly teaching falsehood and who are trying to get us to agree with, comply to, and support their false teachings are to be completely avoided. We are not to eat with them or give them a greeting, a term which in biblical times not only referred to salutations but also meant to give your approval and support to what that person was doing. Giving your support to a teacher of truth, whether that support be food, hospitality, and/or financial in nature (cf. Philemon 22; 3 John 5-7), meant that you would be a fellow worker with that teacher (3 John 8). Unfortunately, the same would be true if you gave your support to a false teacher as well (2 John 11).

Therefore, it is urgent that we do everything we can to support those who teach the truth while in no way giving credence or support to those who unrepentantly teach error. We should not give our money to them or advertise what they are doing for fear that such would cause people to be exposed to them and fall prey to their deceptions. Remember, souls are at stake...including our own! The honor of the church which Jesus died for is at stake as well!

My hope is that we can all walk in truth and in love... the truth and love which are found in the Scriptures alone..

**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.

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**Bible Readings for this week’s Bible Class:**

Topics: “Praise God” and “Do You Need Courage?”

2 Samuel 23:21      Psalm 1  
 Psalm 8              Psalm 91  
 Psalm 19

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*Happy Anniversary!!*

*Curt and Shandar Thompson 6/19*

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**Happy Birthday!!!**

Kyle Buckingham 6/7      Phyllis Caldwell 6/9      Reed Rohr 6/13  
 Evelyn Lam 6/14      Aiden Rohr 6/21      Suki Kirchner 6/24

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The teens are going to the Creation Museum THIS Saturday, June 12th

Let John know if you or your teen will be going.

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Card Canvass - take 3 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.

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June 19th will be the next Men’s meeting.

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Kyle Buckingham’s Graduation Open House  
 THIS Thursday June 10th, drop in between 2:00pm - 8:00pm  
 @ J&J Enterprises Party Facility, Greenville  
 Please RSVP to Michelle

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If you are interested in helping put together MAGI boxes, see the letter on the bulletin board for more information.

**Serving today and next Sunday:**

Sunday AM Rotation	June 6, 2021	June 13, 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