

2025

EMBRACING GOD’S PLAN FOR OUR LIVES

“Staying Focused”

Philippians 3:10-16

In this passage Paul gives insight on how we can maintain our spiritual focus on Jesus. In verse 13 Paul declares, “this ONE thing I do” (emphasis mine). We must stay focused on what is most important.

1. Focused on _____ Phil. 3:10-11
- A. I want to _____ Christ
- B. The power of His _____
- C. _____ in His sufferings
- D. Conform to His _____. Some translations have “becoming like Him”.
- E. We look forward to our _____.

2. Focused on our _____. Phil. 3:12-14
- A. Right now we need _____,
- B. We all have room to _____.
- C. Forgetting the _____ and pressing on to the _____.

3. Focused on _____. Phil. 3:15-16 (“let us”)
- A. “Let us hold true”. To be spiritually _____ we must all follow God’s Word.

B. Conclusion

Many matters of life are important but nothing is more important than following Jesus.

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SCHEDULE

Sunday	
Bible Classes for all ages	9:30 a.m.
Morning Worship	10:30 a.m.
Evening Worship	5:00 p.m.

Tuesday

Men’s Class on summer hiatus

Wednesday	
Bible Classes for all ages	6:30 p.m.

ELDERS AND STAFF

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OPPORTUNITIES TO SERVE

Bible Hour	
Kim Bower	
ELDER for October	Dale Donaghe
LADIES COMMITTEE for October	The Men



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Order Of Worship

Song Leader: Bob Chadwick

Welcome.....Dale Donaghe

908 Awesome God

282 I Know That My Redeemer Lives

Prayer.....Kevin Thompson

621 Ten Thousand Angels

Lord’s Supper.....Mike Bryant

643 The Lord My shepherd Is

Offering.....Eddie Crosby

425 Master, The Tempest Is Raging

Scripture Reading.....Danny Donaghe

Morning Service.....”Staying Focused?”.....

_____with David House

683 Thou Your Sins Be As Scarlet

780 Won’t It Be Wonderful There

Closing Prayer.....Jerry Hopkins

Evening Worship.....5 P

WHAT'S HAPPENING THIS WEEK	
Oct. 12th	Morning Class @ 9:30 A
	Morning Worship @ 10:30 A
	Evening Worship @ 5 P
	Teresa Hernandez's birthday
13th	Glenn Thompson's birthday
	Columbus Day
14th	Mike Cottam's birthday
15th	Evening Class @ 6:30 P
17th	Elizette Hernandez's birthday
18th	Men's Breakfast @ Tom's @ 8:30 A

OUR MONTHLY POTLUCK

Our monthly potluck is next Sunday after morning services lead by the men. A short devo will directly follow the potluck & conclude our services for the day.

SAVE THE DATE!

There is a Ladies luncheon scheduled for November 8th here at the building @ noon. Joanie Lehman will be the speaker for the day. More details to follow!



THOUGHT FOR TODAY

I am only one, BUT I am one. I cannot do everything,
 BUT I can do something.
 And I will not let what I cannot do interfere with what I can do.

SCRIPTURE FOR TODAY

For we are God's handiwork,
 created in Christ Jesus to do good works,
 which God prepared in advance for us to do. ~ Eph. 2:10

JINNY'S CLOSET IS VERY FULL WITH NEW ITEMS. COME SHOP!

PRAYER IS IMPORTANT

-**Sylvan Bateman** is placing membership with us. Please welcome her in & make time to meet her.

-**Beth Annie Capshaw** made the basketball team!!! Congratulations! She suffered an injury early in the week. Prayers she will heal quickly & has a successful season.

-Please keep **Ursula** Crosby in your prayers. She was under the weather last week. Also remember **Eddie** as he cares for her.

-**Debbie Nelson** asked for prayers for her friend **Brenda Horton**. She is struggling with the effects of her scoliosis. Prayers for relief of pain & strength as she lives with this every day.

-Please keep **Roy & Ethel Senior** in your prayers as they travel home from Arizona following his grandson's wedding. Safe passage for them.

-Continued prayers for **Laura Stewart, Dale & Danny Donaghe's** sister, who lost her son **Keith** suddenly a couple weeks ago. Prayers for peace for her & the extended family.

-Continued prayers for the **Bryant family** as they manage their daily challenges. Prayers for strength & endurance.

-Prayers for all those affected by the **Government shutdown**. Prayers an answer will come soon & they will return to work with assurance of peace moving forward.

-**Roy Senior** asked for prayers for **Anthony, Leona & Shawn**, 3 homeless people he encountered in our courtyard. Prayers for their souls & their situation moving forward.

-**Scott Lueck** texted with an update on his condition. His infection is gone, his leg is healed; & ready for his next surgery which will be in a couple weeks. Please continue to keep he, **Holly & Kevin** in your prayers.

-Continued prayers for **Emily Gastellum Yoder, Dave Gastellum's** daughter, as she continues to heal & gain her strength. Prayers they had a blessed visit while **Dave** was there with her family.

ENCOURAGING WORDS

Caring for the Flock

Many people think of the twenty-third psalm as the "Shepherd's psalm." There is another chapter we could rightly think of as the "shepherds' chapter." **Ezekiel 34:1-6** addresses the responsibility of Israel's shepherds—if I were an elder I would read this chapter every month as a reminder—but it helps us all see why some Christians (sheep) leave the church (fold).

Some sheep leave the fold because they are sick. The cause of the sickness is not given, but people leave the Lord because of personal problems which makes it so hard to grow spiritually. It can so easily happen to new Christians, but it also impacts those who have been in the church for years. That's the nature of sin. It brings sickness and ends with death.

Some leave the fold because they are broken. This is much like those who leave because of sickness, but the word "broken" may indicate a more sudden onset of the "sickness." Jesus described the seed on the stony ground as the person who "...hears the word and immediately receives it with joy, yet...when tribulation or persecution arises because of the word, immediately he stumbles" (Matt. 13:20-21). Sin is powerful, and it can easily break the spirit of any of us.

Some leave the fold because they are driven away. Every sheep in His flock has a responsibility toward every other sheep. It is so tragic when older Christians' words and actions actually drive people away from the church. Ezekiel described them as those who "...have pushed with side and shoulder, butting all the weak sheep with your horns until you have driven them away, (34:21).

Each of us has a God-given responsibility to the rest of us. We have the great Shepherd who leads us and watches over us, but we must each feel a personal obligation to love and care for all of those in His fold.

R. Senior