Mental Health and the Gospel (Part 2 of 3)

The gospel imparts a remedy for guilt. Guilt plays an important role in many instances of mental illness. People know they are wrong and this knowledge affects their mental state. Some cannot forgive themselves for acts that they have performed that have adversely affected others. Hence, over time they develop a problem. The gospel informs man how he can achieve God's forgiveness and acquire the perfect peace of the Bible (Acts 2: 38, 22: 16). When the Christian sins, there is no need to carry around guilt (1 Jn. 1: 7-9).

A forgiven person should be a person with a healthy mental state. The gospel even teaches how to make peace with others against whom we have sinned (Matt. 5: 23-26, cp. 18: 15-17). Rather than allow anger to grow, the Christian is taught to, "Be ye angry and sin not, let not the sun go down upon your wrath, neither give place to the devil" (Eph. 4: 26, 27).

The gospel is a system that promotes regular self-examination. The chief role of psychoanalysts is simply that of attempting to assist and encourage the patient to examine himself. Paul wrote thus to the Christians at Corinth:

• "Examine yourselves, whether ye be in the faith; prove your own selves. Know ye, not your own selves, how that Jesus Christ is in you, except ye be reprobates? But I trust that ye shall know that we are not reprobates" (2 Cor. 13: 5. 6).

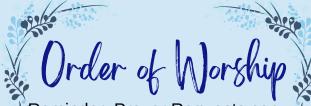
The faithful Christian is one who makes time for healthy introspection. They spend time examining their attitudes, motives, goals, and life in general. In areas that are on course, they practice reinforcement, but when they find themselves getting off course, they make the necessary adjustments. The gospel is the standard that they use to determine needed adjustment or continuance in the same (cp. Gal. 2: 14).

Life lived one day at a time. Ancient and modern psychologists have stressed the must of living life one day at a time. Many project all the problems of the future and attempt to battle them all at once, we are told. Such a task is self-defeating and destroying. However, we can tackle and manage the problems introduced with each new day. Even perennial problems can be incrementally addressed each day. This is precisely the teaching of the gospel. Hear Jesus:

• "But seek ye first the kingdom of God, and his righteousness; and all these things (material needs, dm) shall be added unto you. Take therefore no thought (worry, dm) for the morrow; for the morrow shall take thought for the things of itself. Sufficient unto the day is the evil thereof" (Matt. 6: 33, 34).

Involved in this matter of life lived one day at a time, there is a relief mechanism if you will provided in the gospel: prayer. The Christian is not to worry, but express his cares and concerns to God (Phili. 4: 6). As a result of petitioning God and leaving with him the concerns that we have, "And the peace of God, which passeth all understanding, shall keep your hearts and minds through Christ Jesus" (vs. 7).

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Reminder: Prayer Requests can be submitted via the "chat" feature on Zoom during the service.

Songleader - Duane M./Johnny H. Welcome & Announcements

Opening Prayer

Song # 968 - Oh, They Tell Me of a Home (DM)

Song # 382 - Why Did My Savior Come to Earth? (DM)

Lord's Supper

Kids 4 Kids (DM)

Children Dismissed for Bible Hour (3 yrs. old thru the 3rd grade)

Prayer Requests

Song # 957 -This World Is Not My Home (DM)

Scripture Reading - James 5:13-16

Sermon by: Darryl Darden

"Don't Forget to Pray"

Song of Invitation # 915 - (vss 1,2 & 5) <u>Trust and Obey</u> (JH)

Song # 851 - <u>I'll Fly Away</u> (JH)

Closing & Contribution Prayer



TODAY

**9:00 a.m. - Bible Class

**10:00 a.m. - Sunday Worship

**10:00 a.m. – En Linea Servicio de Adoracion (via Facebook Live)



Today following this morning service.

Monday, January 23, 2023

7:00 p.m. - Spanish Night of Prayer (Zoom)

Tuesday, January 24, 2023

4:30 p.m. - Ladies Bible Class (Zoom)

Wednesday, January 25, 2023

7:00 p.m. - Adult Bible Study (Zoom)
"Life of Christ in Stereo"

7:00 p.m. - En Linea Clase Biblica (Zoom)

8:00 p.m. - Youth Bible Study (Zoom)

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Spring Break Missions

If you want to help

Hannah Cimuchowski on her

Mission Trip please mark your

contributions for her

no later than Feb. 12th.

This Week's Birthday's

23rd - James Gruwell 24th - Scarlet Gruwell



Anniversaries

25th - Mark & Coleen White

PRAY FOR OUR MILITARY



Brandon Applegate;
Matison Brown; Andre Canady;
Zack Cantu; Danny Eickmeyer;
Robert Farrell; Alexis Flanagan;
Anthony Guess; Raymond
Holguin; Jaehyeong Park; and
Robert Rygoza

Area Wide Singing

JANUARY 29TH 2:30 TO 4:00.



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Please check our Community Board for any upcoming events from our Sister, Churches of Christ.

BIBLE HOUR



ARE YOU INTERESTED IN BECOMING A BIBLE HOUR CO-TEACHER?
WE WOULD LIKE TO BEGIN OUR MONTHLY

ROTATIONS AND WE NEED ADDITIONAL
CO-TEACHERS TO FILL OUR CALENDAR
SCHEDULE FOR THE YEAR. BIBLE HOUR IS FOR
KIDS 3 YEARS OLD TO 3RD GRADE.

IF YOU ARE INTERESTED PLEASE CONTACT
GARRET & STEPHANIE WHITE
OR ONE OF OUR ELDERS.

Prayer Requests

Please pray for our church leaders; our congregation; the homeless, and the veterans. Also for our country's leaders, our troops; and the future of our country.

Shut-Ins

Barbara Tidwell; Ida Crawford; Shawn Weeks; and Sandy Wooten.

Continual Prayers

The Ahumada family; Anthony Avalos; Anthony Hale Jr.; Bette Henderson; Bonnie Klockenteger; Charlie & LaVonne Powell; Chris Lopez; Christina Wityczak; Don Vencill; Dorothy Condos; Dudley Brewster; Gennie Lorenz; Hosia Ford; Marie Guess; Marilyn Heil; Marvin Mason Sr.; Marvin Mason Jr.; Raymond Holguin; Shirley Fales; Tyson Crawford; and Yvonne McClinton.

General

Betty Thomas; Dan & Jan Hook; Don & Melinda Vencill; Dorinda Greene; Dorothy Condos; Duane Owens; Eddie & Betty Smith; the Excelsior Girls' basketball team; Jerry Owens; Melaine Gammage and her family; Remmington; Rita Greene; Shirley Fales; and Vicki Brown.

Health

Cherry Wadley's sister, Anne; Kim Cimuchowski; Melaine Gammage's sister, Felicia, and friend Stacy; Mike Pelissier; Steve Reeves; Teddy Jordan's son, Rick; Tom Baxter; and prayers to all who are ill.

Thanksgiving The White's

TravelingCherry Wadley



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Benjamin Lopez - Spanish Ministry Craig Beck Gerald Thomas - Benevolence Mark White - Greeters & Ushers Chris Schow - Interior Bldg. Maint.

Dan Hook - Men's Ministry, Disaster Relief

Mark Gruwell -Teens

Steve Bliss - Song Leading, Singing

Audio Visual Jake Tess

AVPAC/Lucerne Valley Johnny Latham

<u>Building Décor</u> Tianna Smith & Tammy Turner

> <u>Calling Ministry</u> C. Richardson & E. Wityczak

<u>Call Out Ministry</u> M. Basnight; E. Cimuchowski; T. Rose; & S. Suba

Children's Bible Hour Garret & Stephanie White

Greif Support Strech Suba

<u>Historian</u> Kasie Schow

<u>Kitchen</u> Pauletta Hobson

<u>Ladies' Ministry</u> Kim Cimuchowski

Ministries and Coordinators Military
Pauletta Hobson & Leisa
Children's Bible Hour
Pond

Bulletin Mailouts Marilyn Owens

Worship Coordinator Jeff Najera

<u>Savior's Kids</u> Jake & Danelle Tess

<u>Teacher's Workroom</u> Nina Sutton

<u>Youth Group</u> Mark & Renee Gruwell

<u>Last Week's Statistics</u> Financial Attendance A.M. Bible Class Contribution 1/15/23 \$ 5.070.91 1/8/23 \$ 3,525.32 Contribution A.M. Worship Special Contributions \$ 549.00 In Person 114 Via Zoom Y.T.D. Contribution 108,196.91 32 \$ Teen Fund \$ 5.106.96 Wed. P.M. N/A Bible Class Mission Fund \$ 2.906.51 Scholarship Fund 1.521.09 \$ Mid Week Kids 4 Kids 119.00 Bible Studies 8