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Bible School 10:45 AM

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Even though I don't wear cowboy boots, and I ride a Harley instead of a horse, some may be getting the idea that I'm a wrangler, especially on Wednesday nights. I say that because, contrary to Paul's admonition that we refrain from wrangling over words, it might appear that that's what I do at our Bible study.

Last week we were looking at II Thess. 1:10-12. The week before we spent the entire class time on verse 9, trying to determine if Paul was opening the door to the eventual annihilation of the wicked. Last week we struggled over the question of who would be marveled at, at the Second Coming.

Obviously, we'll marvel at the glory of the King of Kings and Lord of Lords. But Paul speaks of Him coming to be glorified in His saints, and to be marveled at among all who have believed. Does that mean He'll simply be marveled at in the midst of His saints, or that there will be something in the saints that is also marvelous and glorious?

In verse 12 Paul says that the Lord Jesus will be "glorified in you, and you in Him." That almost seems to indicate a mutual sharing of glory in heaven. And in verse 11 Paul said that he prayed God would count us worthy of His calling, and challenged us to fulfill every desire for goodness and work of faith that we have.

Whether those desires come from Him, or from us after realizing all He has done for us, we didn't agree. But we did agree that the ability to fulfill those desires are made possible only by His power, through the work of the Holy Spirit in our life.

So what's the point of our possible wrangling? The thing that excited me was thinking that not only will we bow before His glory in heaven, but that if we have lived lives that are worthy of His calling, we will share in His glory. If that doesn't challenge us to live a Christ honoring life, I don't know what will.

When responding to a text I received later that night from someone struggling over who was being marveled at, I responded by simply saying, "Maybe both Jesus and the saints will be marveled at. Only thing I'm sure of is that it will be marvelous!" God Bless, Rick



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This Sunday!

K-5th grade students

Leave after Sunday School

Return to church at 3:30

Cost: \$5 admission plus lunch

STATISTICS

Worship 81
Offering \$6,879.30

SERVING THIS SUNDAY-10/14/18

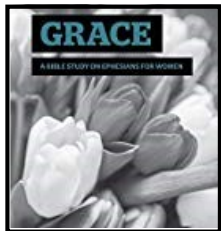
Greeters Duane Carrell
Visitors' Stand Bob & Dixie Williamson
Communion Meditation Chris Luzio
Kirk Polley
Ushers Scott Bales
Duane Carrell
Chad Formea
Otto Huber
Jake Divjak
Bob Williamson

WORSHIP NURSERY

Toddlers Sara & Regan Bartels
Infants Nikki & Carter Hunley
Karen Mann

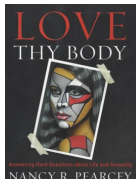
Sunday School

Toddlers Rhonda Luzio
Infants Dixie Williamson
Kileen Huber



LADIES' BIBLE STUDY

Grace: A Bible Study on Ephesians for Women will begin on Thursday, October 18th, at 7:00 at the Huber's, 200 Aspen. All ladies are invited to join in this study which will be held every other Thursday.



Our Sunday night study of *Love Thy Body* will continue this Sunday at 6:30. We are ready for an introductory look at homosexuality and the obsession with physical appearance.



News from Jamaica

Theo & Rose Miller, Missionaries

Theo Miller, who has been pastoring four congregations in Jamaica for the past several years, is pleased to announce that he has been able to ordain two young men into the ministry. After mentoring them, he has been able to entrust the leadership of the Clover Hill Church and the Peecher River Church to their own pastors. He is continuing to work with another young man, hoping to eventually place him in the pulpit of the Grierfield Church, where he and a youth minister he is working with in Claremont are preaching on alternating Sundays.

It's been our joy and privilege to support Theo and Rose in their ministry since 1991.



High School Students

By now, I am sure you have studied the period known as the Roaring 20s in school. It was a period of economic prosperity followed by the Great Depression. It is hard to believe that was nearly 100 years ago!

In the 20s, there was a distinctive style for both men and women. So, we are having a 1920's costume party at our house on Saturday, October 27th starting at 7pm. We mainly picked this theme to support a surprise activity that you all will most definitely enjoy! Besides that, there will be thematic food, games and just time to relax from your busy week of school. Invite your friends! All are welcome!



Jr. High & High School

Do you ever feel like you are putting on a show? Or maybe you've been known to put on different personas for different situations, ones that help you fit in with different crowds.

This Sunday evening for FUSE we will be starting a 4 week series focusing on Identity. We'll wrestle with some big questions like: Who am I? Who loves me? Why am I here? Come on out for some fun activities as we learn that in Jesus, we are loved, forgiven, have purpose and belong.



Junior High Girls

October 26-27

LSCA is hosting a Cyber Break Retreat just for you! It is an opportunity to come together with other girls from around the area in fun and fellowship. The retreat will be a time of learning, games, crafts, music and dancing all while disconnecting from the phone, texts and internet for 24 hours.

The focus for the retreat will be on scripture while addressing tough topics for many students in this age group. Topics will include bullying, self respect/morals, peer pressure, making right choices, friendships, serving others and more. The cost is \$50 which includes all the meals for the overnight retreat. Registration and details are available through the camp website.



If you happened to have missed the sign up sheet over the past couple of weeks, you can still reserve a shirt if you text me right after you read this! I will be placing the order on Friday. For those who haven't paid for their shirt, please bring \$15 as soon as possible and your shirt will be here soon!