

"and you shall know the truth and the truth shall make you free." John 8:32

Welcome Visitors

We are blessed by your attendance and worshipping with us!

Prayer Requests

Bonnie Godwin
Jamie Albright - friend of Harel
The Wilkersons
Jodie Willis
Alison Benefield
Kenny and Edith Laminack
Sharon Estvanko
Harel Otwell
Lisa Nelson
Amy Clevanger
Joyce Combs
Shelley Vick
Pam Garrett

Birthdays & Anniversaries

| May | |
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| Bonnie Godwin | 24 |
| Pat Hicks | 31 |
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Kelly and Angie

"Loving Life"

Do you love life and want to see good days? Many people in the world love life. They dread growing old. They undergo procedures to make themselves seem younger and put on make-up to look younger. Are they genuinely enjoying life?

We love to do things that will cause us to have a good day; somewhere entertaining, somewhere fun. Perhaps, when we see each other, we say, "How are you today? Are you having a good day?" In this life, are we living it to the fullest and getting the most joy from it? Are we genuinely seeing good days? To truly love life and see good days, we must live according to God's Word.

Through inspiration from the Holy Spirit, Peter shows us three things one must do to have good days. "For he that will love life, see good days, let him refrain his tongue from evil, and his lips that speak no guile: Let him eschew evil, and do good; let him seek peace and ensue it" (1 Peter 3:10-11). From this, we get a three-step



God's Plan of Salvation

- 1. Hearing the Word of God (Rom. 10:17; Acts 16:32)
- 2. Believe what is taught (Mark 16:16; Heb 11:6)
- 3. Repentance (Acts 2:38; Luke 13:3; Acts 17:30)
- 4. Confession (Acts 8:37; Rom. 10:9-10)
- 5. Baptism (1Peter 3:21; Acts 2:38; Mark 16:16; Rom. 6:3-4)
- 6. After the above five steps, faithful (Christian living (1 Peter 2:11-12; Rev. 2:10)

| This | Week | Leading | Worship: |
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Sunday Morning:

Announcements Brennan Mallory

Scripture Brandon Estvanko

Song Leader Harel Otwell

Opening Prayer Camp Mallory

Table Joe Mallory

Assisting Kenny Laminack

Closing Prayer Brandon Estvanko

Sunday Evening:

Announcements Harel Otwell

Song Leader Harel Otwell

Opening Prayer/Table Tony Hotalen

Closing Prayer Carlos Payne

Next Week Leading Worship:

Sunday Morning:

Announcements Joe Mallory

Scripture Harel Otwell

Song Leader Brennan Mallory

Opening Prayer Brandon Estvanko

Table Tony Hotalen

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process of how to love life and have good days. (1) The tongue you must subdue, (2) evil you must eschew, (3) and peace you must ensue.

THE TONGUE YOU MUST SUBDUE. The word subdue means bringing under control, overcoming something, or conquering something. In this case, it is our tongues we are to subdue, to overcome. Peter says to refrain the tongue and the lips from speaking evil and guile. This is not talking about the actual muscle in our mouth, but it refers to the words we say. James puts it as "bridle the tongue" (James 1:26; 3:2-12). There are examples in the Bible who did not subdue their tongue. Ananias and Saphira not only lied to the apostles, but the Holy Ghost. Guile was found in their mouth, and we know its result. It is important to refrain from speaking evil because we can hurt others with our tongues. If we do not refrain our tongues, we will not have a good life and good days, but if we do, we will have a good life and good days.

EVIL, YOU MUST ESCHEW. This word eschew means to abstain from, to stay away from. It means to avoid deliberately. There is an interesting definition for this word "to steer clear of, and have nothing to do with." If you are driving down the road and come across an obstruction in the road like a rock or small

Reminders:

Congratulations to Korbin Cauthen and Brennan Mallory on their HS graduation!

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Sunday Bible study: 10AM Sunday Worship: 11AM Sunday Afternoon: 5 PM

Wednesday Bible study: 7PM

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animal, you will try to steer clear of that object, so you do not risk damaging your vehicle. That is how we should deal with evil by steering clear of it. How does one steer clear of evil? The answer lies within the text, avoid evil and do good. If we are doing good, we will be doing the opposite of evil. Paul told the Romans to abhor evil and cling to what is good (Romans 12:9). We can see the parallels in this verse. If we are caught up in evil things, we will not truly have a good life and see good days.

PEACE YOU MUST ENSUE. To love life and see good days, we must seek peace and ensue it. There are two ways to get peace. (1) To seek peace. Seeking something means looking intently for it. Like a man shipwrecked at sea, all he has is a life-raft, and the only thing he can see is the vast water all around him. This man will not sit back in his raft and relax and say, "oh, I'll just wait till I come across land or till a ship finds me, but until then, I won't stress about it; I'll just relax. No, this man will spend every waking moment looking for a form of safety and won't rest till he is safe. That is how we should see after peace. (2) To ensue peace. This means to pursue it, to chase after or follow peace. Jesus said blessed are the peacemakers (Matthew 5:9). If we seek peace and ensue it, we will have a good life and see good days.

We would all say we "love the life God gave us." If we love life, we must live according to God's Word to have a good life. By avoiding evil and following good things. We would all say we want to have good days. We have good days if we are living for the Lord. We have good days if we are obeying His word. Do we want to be able to love life and see good days? Remember this. The tongue you must subdue, evil you must eschew, and peace you must ensue.

Caden J. Mallory