

Our Ministries

Mountain States Children's Home (Next Collection is at the end of August)

Religion that is pure and undefiled before God the Father is this: to visit orphans and widows in their affliction and to keep oneself unstained from the world. (James 1:27)

<i>Peru Ministry</i> Oscar and Anna Maria in Peru.	Harvesting the Scriptures Kennewick Spring Lectureship April 11-15
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^{18b}All authority in heaven and on earth has been given to me. ¹⁹Go therefore and make disciples of all nations, baptizing them in the name of the Father and of the Son and of the Holy Spirit, ²⁰teaching them to observe all that I have commanded you. And behold, I am with you always, to the end of the age. (Matt. 28:18-20)

Food Pantry

⁴⁴And all who believed were together and had all things in common. ⁴⁵And they were selling their possessions and belongings and distributing proceeds to all, as any had need. (Acts 3:44-45)

Kennewick Church of Christ

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Meeting times:

Sunday:

Sunday Bible Study 9:30 am
Sunday Morning Worship 10:30 am
Sunday Night Worship 6:00 pm

Wednesday:

Wednesday Night Bible Study 7:00 pm

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Open Congregational meeting – 2nd and 4th Sunday at 5:00 pm. All are welcome.

Attendance 04/01: 66		Budget \$2400.33		Contribution 04/01: \$ 2429.50
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April 08, 2018



Welcome to the Kennewick Church of Christ

In Christ

"...you are all sons of God through faith in Christ Jesus. For as many of you as were baptized into Christ have put on Christ" (Galatians 3:26,27).
"...for by one Spirit we were all baptized into one body..." (2 Corinthians 12:13).
"...He [God] put all things under His [Christ's] feet, and gave Him to be Head over all things to the church, which is His body..." (Ephesians 1:22,23).

What do Christians have "in Christ"?

Ephesians gives us a sweeping view of the position of Christ in the Father's eternal purposes and plans for humanity. The expression "in Christ", or something equal to it, gives a key to the importance of our relationship with Christ in regard to one benefit after another. Notice what can be reached or obtained "in Christ"

"...every spiritual blessing..." IN CHRIST (1:3)
"...redemption, the forgiveness of sins ..." IN CHRIST (1:7)
"...gather together...all things..." IN CHRIST (1:10)
"...His mighty power ..." IN CHRIST (1:19)
"...sit together in heavenly places..." IN CHRIST (2:6)
"...His kindness toward us ..." IN CHRIST (2:7)
"...created...for good works..." IN CHRIST (2:10)
"...have been made near..." IN CHRIST (2:13)
"...grows into a holy temple..." IN CHRIST (2:21)
"...partakers of His promise..." IN CHRIST (3:6)
"...eternal purpose...accomplished..." IN CHRIST (3:11)

~Ardron Hinton

The Lord genuinely desires what is best for you and me.
He wants to save us and to bless us,
and for us to enjoy the heavenly rest
that has been prepared for all who come to Him on His terms.
But He cannot do anything for those who, through stubbornness or
neglect,
are unwilling to listen and obey.

Keep these Dates in Mind:

04/01 First Sunday Potluck
04/08 Open Congregational Meeting 5:00p
04/11 Spring Lectureship in Kennewick 6:00p
04/22 Open Congregational Meeting 5:00p
04/29 Fifth Sunday Singing 3:00p (Here)
05/06 First Sunday Potluck
05/14 Men's Breakfast and Fellowship
05/15 Open Congregational Meeting 5:00p
05/21 Game Night 5:00p (\$5 donation requested)
05/22 Open Congregational Meeting 5:00p

Birthdays and Anniversaries for April

Bill Henniger 3/31
Avi Botts 4/3
Betty VanVorst 4/6
John Hopkins 4/8
Al & Pat Lindsay 4/12
LaVern & Sammie Engelke 4/18
Eunice Petross 4/25

Bible Studies:

Adult Class - Fellowship Hall
(S) – Mark
(W) – Romans

Youth Classes -Classroom Wing
Teen Classes – Teen Room

Ladies Class – Fellowship Hall
Thursdays 10:00a



Health Issues (ongoing): Karen McBurney, Bob Childers, Shirley Childers, Amanda McCrickard, Kaleb McCrickard, Savannah and Christian Johnson (friends of the McCrickards, daughter suffering from mitochondrial disease), Christy Hickman, Joshua Hickman, Vern Mast, Sue Aldrich, Lupe Mendoza, Marji Lindholm, Bill and Fran Henniger

Bill Henniger will be having surgery in Spokane in May to hopefully correct his lung fluid problem
Lupe Mendoza is having some ill effects from chemo and from the delay of chemo treatments. Pray that this can quickly be resolved with no damage, minimal discouragement, and treatments can resume.
Marji Lindholm has completed her scheduled radiation treatments and has now begun oral chemo hormone medication. Please pray that her body will tolerate this change in treatment.
Prayers of thanksgiving for the Hickman family's recovery from pneumonia without anyone being hospitalized.
Prayers of thanksgiving that Karen McBurney's leg and foot are recovering nicely.

The Kennewick Spring Lectureship Harvesting the Scriptures begins this Wednesday at **6:00pm**. Please note the time change from the usual Wednesday night Bible study.

A few Changes to be noted:

- Friday night's meal has been changed to soup night. People will need to bring soup, etc., for that.
- There will be a potluck lunch after Sunday A.M. services, Please remember to bring food and stay for that. This will provide a good opportunity to visit with the speakers and their families.
- There will be **NO** classes on the Lectureship Wednesday night and on Sunday morning. Everyone will be together in the Auditorium.

Pursue righteous, godliness, faith, love, steadfastness, gentleness. Fight the good fight of the faith. Take hold of the eternal life to which you were called and about which you made the good confession in the presence of many witnesses. (2

Timothy 6:11b-12)

He Is Able

In Ephesians 3:20, we find an interesting phrase. This verse affirms that God is able to do more than we can even ask or think. The Greek word for "able" is dunamai, the word from which we get the word dynamite, and it means to have power. God has great power, but the question is, how much power? Many people think God is much like man, bigger and more powerful than a "normal" human, but nevertheless, still much like man. Is God merely a "superhuman"? Isaiah asks an important question in Isaiah 40:18. "To whom then will you liken God? Or what likeness will you compare to Him?"

A similar expression is found in 40:25. Can we compare God to a superhuman? How can we determine how much power God has? One way we can determine His power is by His name. In Genesis 14:18, we are introduced to Melchizedek, who is described as being a priest of "God Most High". This is from the Hebrew word, "elyone", which originally meant the Strong One". God is represented as having complete sovereignty. In Genesis 21:33, God is called "the Everlasting God". We normally think this entails time, which it obviously does, however, it involves more than that. No only is God eternal in the sense that there is no beginning or end, He is also unlimited in every detail. Every attribute (e.g. love, kindness, glory, truth, righteousness, etc.) is unlimited. Paul testified that His love sur-passes knowledge (Ephesians 3:19). In Genesis 17:1, God is called "ElShaddai", God Almighty. The context is the announcement of the birth of Isaac. In order to assure Abraham that he would give birth to a son, God reminded Abraham that He was God Almighty. When Sarah laughed, God asked, "Is anything too hard for the Lord?"

(Genesis 18:14). No power is as great as God. Unquestionably, these names cannot describe any man, even a "superhuman." We can see the power of God exhibited by His deeds. God is a creating God. "The heavens declare the glory of God; and the firmament shows his handiwork" (Psalm 19:1). The writer of Hebrews proclaims that the worlds were made of things that are not visible, that is, they were made out of nothing. No man can do that. Man can fashion some wondrous things, but they always start with something and alter it into some thing completely different. No human can create, in spite of fantastic claims to the contrary. God's power is also exhibited in His Word. God simply spoke the world into existence. "And God said, "Let there be light, and there was light" (Genesis 1:3). When Christ was on earth, He spoke, and Lazarus rose from the dead. On one occasion, Christ was on the Sea of Galilee with His disciples when a great storm arose. The disciples thought they were going to die, but Jesus simply spoke and even the winds and waves obeyed His voice. "So shall My word be that goes forth from My mouth; It shall not return to me void, but it shall accomplish what I please, and it shall prosper in the thing for which I sent it" (Isaiah55:11).

Indeed, no man has this kind of power. God is able, in contrast to man. The Greek word translated "able" is used four other times in Ephesians, each time in reference to man being able to do something. It is interesting, though, that in each case, we are able to do it only because God gives us something first. In Ephesians3:4, Paul affirms that we are able to understand the mystery of God, although we can understand it only because He has revealed it to man. In Ephesians 6:11, Paul testifies that we can conquer Satan, but only if we put on the armor of God. Just two verses later, Paul encourages us to "put on the whole armor of God, that you maybe able to stand against the wiles of the devil". Still, we can stand against Satan only if we put on the armor of God. If we put on the whole armor of God, we are then able to overcome whatever forces Satan may bring against us. In Ephesians 6:16, we are urged to take the shield of faith, whereby we may be able to quench the fiery darts of Satan. Notice that in each case we are able to do something only because God makes us able. What is the implication of the above discussion? Spiritually, we can do nothing alone. God is able, and with His help, we become able. Without Him, we can do nothing. We do not have to go through life on our own power. God wants us to trust Him, and we should, because He has inexhaustible power. He is able take a selfish sinful heart and fashion it in the image of God Himself. He can make us able to do anything He teaching that we can bear any trial or withstand any temptation because an eternal and All-Powerful Christ will give wants us to do. Paul said, "I can do all things through Christ who strengthens me" (Philippians 4:13). Paul is us strength to overcome. With Him, we can do it; without Him, we can do nothing. God is able, and He makes us able!