(15)And he said to them, "Go into all the world and proclaim the gospel to the whole creation. (16)Whoever believes and is baptized will be saved. Mark 15:15, 16

Christ's Closet

Free Clothing for anyone in need. Open Wednesdays 9:00 – Noon.

Mountain States Children's Home

Remember to stock up on nonperishable supplies to bring for the children's home collection which takes place near the end of March each year. Keep this work in your prayers.

Food Pantry

The pantry is located in the room left of the library. There are sacks in the pantry room if you or someone you know is in need of any of these items. Feel free to take what you need. If you have a donation for the pantry please put it on the table in the pantry room.

Peru Ministry

Support Oscar, Anna Maria, Queca and Tony Woods in their outreach in Peru.

Kennewick Church of Christ

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Wednesday:

Wednesday Night Bible Study 7:00 pm

Meeting times:

Sunday: Sunday Bible Study 9:30 am

Sunday Morning Worship 10:30 am Sunday Night Worship 6:00 pm

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Dustin McCrickard 509-579-9068

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

June 25, 2017

Welcome to the Kennewick Church of Christ

Lord, Teach Us Compassion

In order to learn compassion, we need to turn to the source of it, the Master Teacher. We need to cry, in effect, "Lord, teach us compassion." Let us examine three ways in which Christ helps us to manifest this beautiful, but seemingly elusive quality in today's self serving society.

First, the Lord taught compassion as He lived among men by His touch, by His willingness to touch others. The hands of Jesus touched those who were sick to heal them. In Mark 1:40-41 for example, we read these words, "And there cometh to him a leper, beseeching him, and kneeling down to him, and saying unto him, If thou wilt, thou canst make me clean. And being moved with compassion, he stretched forth his hand, and touched him, and saith unto him, I will; be thou made clean."

People were fearful of lepers and the terrible, contagious disease leprosy. Lepers were pitiful, outcast creatures, separated from society. Yet, Jesus was willing not only to heal this individual but He reached out to him and touched him.

Jesus was willing to touch the lives of all men, regardless of race, regardless of social or economic standing. Jesus Christ, the compassionate Christ, had time for others. He had time to touch the children who were brought to Him. He had time to pray for them. In Matthew 19:13-15 we read these words: "Then were there brought unto him little children, that he should lay his hands on them, and pray: and the disciples rebuked them. But Jesus said, Suffer the little children, and forbid them not, to come unto me: for to such belongeth the kingdom of heaven. And he laid his hands on them, and departed thence." Have you seen the bumper sticker that says, "Have you hugged your kid today?" Our children need a loving touch and words of love and encouragement. However, their greatest need is a spiritual need; they need spiritual guidance.

Physical infirmities moved Jesus with compassion, but there was a greater illness, a spiritual sickness; and it was this concern that brought Jesus Christ to earth to live among men, to leave the glories of heaven to become flesh and blood, and to dwell among us.

In Matthew 9:36-38, the Scripture says, "But when he saw the multitudes, he was moved with compassion for them, because they were distressed and scattered, as sheep not having a shepherd. Then saith he unto his disciples, The harvest indeed is plenteous, but the laborers are few. Pray ye therefore the Lord of the harvest, that he send forth laborers into his harvest."

How many tears are being shed today for millions who've never known the compassionate Christ? When we are sensitive to the soul's value, to its immortality, the impending judgment, and the destination of the disobedient, hearts will be filled with compassion as tears fill the eyes. But, we will not only weep, we will work (as did the Lord) to take the saving message of truth into all the world.

(Truth for the World)

Put on then as God's chosen ones, holy and beloved, compassionate hearts, kindness, humility, meekness and patience (Colossians 3:12)

Attendance 6/18: 83 | Budget \$2000.00 | Contribution 6/18: \$2825.35

Keep these Dates in Minds:

6/30 Cookout at the Botts House

7/02 First Sunday Potluck

7/08 Men's Breakfast and Fellowship

7/09 Open Congregational Meeting 5:00p

7/23 Open Congregational Meeting 5:00p

8/06 First Sunday Potluck

8/12 Men's Breakfast and Fellowship

8/13 Open Congregational Meeting 5:00p

8/27 Open Congregational Meeting 5:00p

Bible Studies:

Adult Class (S) –James

(W) - Romans - Fellowship Hall

Young Adults (S, W) – Acts - Spanish Room

Youth Classes - Classroom Wing

Ladies Class - Discontinued for the Summer

Birthdays and Anniversaries for June

Shannon Mendoza 6/30

Kael Botts 7/03

Bob & Shirley Childers 7/11

Mailey McCrickard 7/11

Kaleb McCrickard 7/12

Marilyn Davis 7/15

Joshua Hickman 7/15

Patrick & Kristy Hickman 7/19

Danny & Shannon Mendoza 7/22

Alec Minor 7/22

Holly Preston 7/22

Jim & Holly Preston 7/22

Dorothy Bryan 7/27

Ila Stephens 7/28

Sarah Mendoza 7/28

Jeffra Slagle 7/29

Shavlin Smith 7/29

Acts of Kindness

I was traveling with some men when we spotted a family stranded alongside the road. My friends immediately pulled over to help. They got the car running, talked with the father and mother of the family, and gave them some money for gasoline. When the mother thanked them over and over, they replied, "We're glad to help out, and we do it in Jesus' name." As we drove away, I thought how natural it was for these friends to help people in need and acknowledge the Lord as the source of their generosity.

Peter and John exhibited that same joyful generosity when they healed a lame man who was begging outside the temple in Jerusalem (Acts 3:1-10). This led to their arrest and appearance before the authorities who asked, "By what power or by what name have you done this?" Peter replied, "If we this day are judged for a good deed done to a helpless man . . . let it be known to you all, and to all the people of Israel, that by the name of Jesus Christ of Nazareth, whom you crucified, whom God raised from the dead, by Him this man stands here before you whole" (Acts 4:7-10).

Kindness is a fruit of the Spirit (Gal. 5:22) and a powerful context in which to genuinely speak to others about the Lord.

- David C. McCasland

In our broken world it is easy to become overwhelmed with grief and despair culminating in our inability to move forward.

Each of us has been given a purpose in life, a reason for being. Each of us carries within a caring heart and a mind filled with ideas.

-Rev. Dr. Gwynne Guibord



Health Issues: Pam Fox's grandson, Canaco & Eli , Abigail Jones, Karen McBurney, Dustin Stecker, Doris Pennington, Betty VanVoorst, Bob Childers, Eddie Petros, Darlena Moon, Jackson Hickman, Jack Pinckert Jr., Amanda McCrickard, Sandy Gray, Bill Henniger, Savannah and Christian Johnson, Marilyn Foster (Gayle Caldwell's mother), Linda Lafferty, Christy Hickman, Gary Bills , Norm Goldsmith, Tom Gritzen

In the Military: Levi Toombs

Joshua Hickman has been having seizures in his sleep at night. They have taken him to Seattle to assess treatment options. Please keep the family in your prayers.

The **Hopkin family** made it safely to Missouri. See Dustin McCrickard for address if wanted. YOU ARE INVITED – Clarence and Melinda Botts have invited everyone to meet at their house for a cookout on Friday, June 30th. See notice in your mailbox for details.

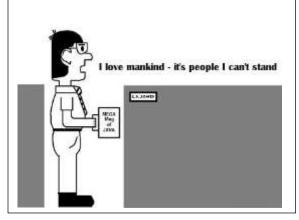


July 19-22, 2017

The Benefits of Developing Patience

Patience reduces stress levels and makes you a happier, healthier person. When you learn and practice patience you don't get as angry, stressed or overwhelmed. You are more in control of your emotions and in a better position to deal with difficult situations with ease and poise. This promotes longevity and makes you a happier, healthier person.

Patience results in better decisionmaking. see the big picture, and weigh any pros and cons. The chances of making a big mistake lessen because you avoid making it in



haste. Taking the time to problem solve requires patience and deliberation.

Patience helps develop understanding, empathy and compassion. You are automatically more understanding and compassionate with others when you yourself are patient. Patient people take the time to process what they go through and are able to determine what it takes to overcome obstacles so they are more understanding of others. This results in better, more fulfilling relationships with spouses, friends, children and bosses.

Patience helps you understand and appreciate the process of growth. As mentioned earlier anything worthwhile takes time and effort to achieve. As the old saying goes "Rome wasn't built in a day." Planning, growth, evaluation and measurement all take time, and taking time takes patience.

— Z. Hereford