

November 20, 2022

Olney Church of Christ

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Services

Sunday

Bible Study	9:30 am
A.M. Worship	10:20 am
P.M. Worship	2:00 pm

Wednesday

Bible Class	7:00 pm
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Elders: Mike Gerber, Travis Hall

Deacons: John Frost, Dave Goff, Roger Sholders

Visitors are welcome

We Offer Bible classes for all ages

We also offer in-home Bible studies

We have Bible lessons on the radio
(92.9 FM) Sundays from 8:00-8:30 a.m.

God-Consciousness

A truly godly man is one who lives with a constant realization of God's divine presence. He is God-conscious. When he awakes in the morning, there is God. As he dresses for work, there is God. As he goes to breakfast with his family, as he drives to work, as he works through the day, as he drives home, as he spends the evening hours, as he lies down on his bed at the close of the day, there is God.

Enoch was a man who was God-conscious, for he "*walked with God*" (Genesis 5:24). He enjoyed constant companionship with God. Wherever Enoch went, God went with him, and Enoch was always aware that He was there. He could not flee from God's presence (Psalm 139:7), nor did he seek to do so. He was a Godly man.

How fortunate is that man who has developed within himself this God consciousness. It is easy for him to pray, for God is to him a close, ever near, companion whose "*ears are open unto his prayers*" (1 Peter 3:12). His talking with God is as natural as his talking with any companions.

He does not fear, for he just places his hand in God's in his times of trouble. "*God is our refuge and strength, a very present help in trouble. Therefore we*

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God-Consciousness, cont'd

will not fear..." (Psalm 46:1,2). Even when walking *"through the valley of the shadow of death,"* he can *"fear no evil,"* for God is with him.

The power of temptation is greatly reduced, for he never forgets that *"all things are naked and opened unto the eyes of him with whom we have to do"* (Hebrews 4:13). His desire to please his ever present God is greater than the power of temptations.

He is thankful recognizing God, with whom he walks, to be the source of *"every good gift and every perfect gift"* (James 1:17).

He loves God. He talks to God He walks with God. He is always conscious of God's presence. He is never without God, Yet, this relationship never degenerates to a "buddy-buddy" relationship, for he reverences God; he recognizes His awesomeness; he gratefully acknowledges his own personal unworthiness of such a relationship with Almighty God.

This is the very essence of godliness. Someone years ago, observing

the similarity between "godliness" and "God-like-ness", assumed that the two words meant the same. That false assumption was passed on to others and has now gained a strong foothold in the thinking of a great number of people. W. E. Vine says that godliness "denotes that piety which, characterized by a godward attitude, does that which is well pleasing to Him." A godly person, then, is one who has a godward attitude, and whose constant consciousness of God leads him to be obedient to Him.

While visiting in a hospital recently, we observed this sign "Have you said thank you God today?" A godly person probably would have done so. Have you said, "Thank you, God" today?

"Rejoice always, pray continually, give thanks in all circumstances; for this is God's will for you in Christ Jesus."

~1 Thessalonians 5:16-18

-God's Plan for Saving Man

God's Grace	Ephesians 2:8
Christ's Blood	Romans 5:9
The Holy Spirit's Gospel	Romans 1:16
Sinner's Faith	Acts 16:31
Sinner's Repentance	Luke 13:3
Sinner's Confession	Romans 10:10
Sinner's Baptism	1 Peter 3:21
Christian's Work	James 2:24
Christian's Hope	Romans 8:24
Christian's Endurance	Revelation 2:10

Prayer List

Holly
Cheryl
Raymond
Robert
Doans' Grandson, Wilson
Devin (Cancer)
Jerry (Lung Cancer)
Berlyn
Leah
Misty's Step-Dad, Ed (Cancer)
Ken & Chris
Rowena, Knee Surgery

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Carry these with you...

- *I am adopted (Eph. 1:5)*
- *I am accepted (Eph. 1:6)*
- *I am forgiven (Eph. 4:32)*
- *I am created for good works (Eph. 2:10)*
- *I am more than a conqueror (Rom. 8:37)*
- *I am an overcomer (John 16:33)*
- *I am never forsaken (Heb. 13:5)*

Daily Bible Reading

Nov 20: Ezek 14-15; James 2
Nov 21: Ezek 16-17; James 3
Nov 22: Ezek 18-19; James 4
Nov 23: Ezek 20-21; James 5
Nov 24: Ezek 22-23; 1Pet 1
Nov 25: Ezek 24-26; 1Pet 2
Nov 26: Ezek 27-29; 1Pet 3

Prayer Leaders

Sunday, November 20, 2022

Bible Study: Jim

Worship: Jeff

Afternoon: Mark

Wednesday, November 23, 2022

Dan D

Prepare Communion

Paula

Clean Building

Misty

Preaching Nov, 20 2022

AM – Mike Gerber

PM – Ray Warfel, Jr

Assignments

Sunday, November 27, 2022

Reading: Mark

Announcements: Travis

Table: John

Serve: Douglas

Steve

Dan H

Dave

Wednesday, November 30, 2022

Invitation: Dan D

Anniversaries

November 20 - Mike & Rowena

Birthdays

November 20 – Patsy

21 – Tretyn

27 – Roger