

Heartbeat

INDIAN HILLS COMMUNITY CHURCH

November 8, 2015

Welcome

A warm and friendly welcome is extended to each of you this morning. As we fellowship together in song and the study of the Word, let us keep in mind that worship is a personal matter and occurs on an individual basis. Our ability to worship God is a direct result of being personally related to Him through Jesus Christ.

Spiritual Victory

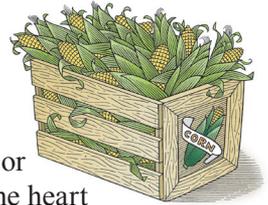
God's desire for each of His children is to walk in holiness. However, our enemy does not want us to experience daily spiritual victory and knows where to aim his fiery darts.

Perhaps the greatest obstacle to daily victory over sin is the secret sin in our lives. We justify our bosom sins, keep them hidden and secretly feed them.

Hidden sins drain us physically and emotionally. They destroy our witness, ruin our relationships and wound us spiritually. On top of all that, Scripture says that we must deal with our sin before God hears our prayers.

There is only one way to deal with our secret sin and that is to

attack it full force. This is warfare. The moment the sinful thought or desire enters the heart or mind, we must give it the ax. When we sincerely ask for God's help, He will deliver us.



Memorable Quote

Let us be silent about things which are a discredit to Christian character. Remember, you may yourself deserve rebuke one of these days; and as you would like this to be done gently and privately, so let us keep our remarks about others within the happy circle of love.—Charles Haddon Spurgeon

We Believe

We believe that Jesus Christ is God's Son, and in an act of great love, God sent His Son to redeem us. As the perfect Son of God, Jesus died on the cross to pay the penalty for our sin. Those who turn from their sin and place their faith in His finished work on the cross are forgiven their sins and brought into God's family.

If you'd like more information about salvation, call 402-483-4541 and ask for the pastor of the day.

The Church Is to Reflect God's Holiness

Gil Rugh

From the beginning of the Church, God emphasized that believers were to reflect His holiness. Not long after the Church began (see Acts 2) an event occurred that dramatically emphasized the importance of holiness among God's people.

Discipline by Death of Ananias and Sapphira

The early church in Jerusalem was characterized by unity. The end of Acts 4 says that the believers were sharing everything they had and giving generously to those who were in need. Barnabas, one of the Jewish believers in Jerusalem, sold a piece of land he owned and gave the money to the Church (see Acts 4:36, 37). Two other church members, Ananias and Sapphira, saw the respect and honor given to Barnabas for his act of sacrifice. Desiring to receive the same respect and honor for themselves, Ananias and Sapphira also sold some property they owned. However, they held back some of the money for themselves and pretended that they had given all the proceeds from the land to the Church.

Peter addressed Ananias, "Why has Satan filled your heart to lie to the Holy Spirit" (5:3). Peter got right to the point, "You have not lied to men but to God" (v. 4). Immediately Ananias fell dead at the feet of Peter. The money belonged to Ananias, and he had the right to keep some of it. He sinned when he lied and said that he had given all of the money when he hadn't. A short time later, his wife came in and told the same story her husband had told. Peter said to her, "Why is it that you have

MINDING HIS BUSINESS

Christian Business Men's Lunch

Speaker: Dr. Curt Kuster

Valentino's
70th and Van Dorn, Lincoln, NE
R.S.V.P. 402.483.4541 or adam.flough@ihcc.org

12-1 PM
11.13.15
Friday

\$8 buffet*

*Free for guests.

agreed together to put the Spirit of the Lord to the test?" (v. 9). Note that Peter did not say they lied to or sinned against him or the Church. He said they lied to God and put the Spirit of the Lord to the test. Immediately Sapphira dropped dead like her husband.

God's declaration was clear. "You shall be holy for I am holy" (1 Pet. 1:16). God required and still requires that His Church manifest the holiness of His character.

"Great fear came over the whole church, and over all who heard of these things" (Acts 5:11). The immediate discipline by death of Ananias and Sapphira provided a dramatic incident, which emphasized the importance of holiness at the very beginning of the Church's life.

"None of the rest dared to associate with them" (v. 13). Not only were believers in awe of what had happened, but word spread throughout the city. Unbelievers said, "We're not going there!" However, that didn't keep the Church from growing. "And all the more believers in the Lord, multitudes of men and women, were constantly added to their number" (v. 14).

Notice the distinction. It was not God's intention to fill the Church with unregenerate people who had no fear of Him or concern for His holiness. The fact that some people did not want to associate with His Church did not keep God from doing His work. When the Holy Spirit does a work in the heart, it is transformed, and that person will desire to worship God in the beauty of His holiness.

Six Days and a Flood

Wednesday at 7 p.m.

Scripture has the answers



Class taught by
Larry Riekenberg.

Everyone high school age and older welcome.

Family News.

Hospitalized. Eudean Springer is a patient at Madonna Rehab.

Hospitalized. Dana Oehlertz was a patient at Bryan East.

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Thank You. I would like to thank all my brothers and sisters in Christ who visited me in the hospital. Even my nurses noticed how many of you took time out of your busy day to come and visit. I was able to tell them that you were my Christian family and that we love and care for one another. Thank you for all the wonderful meals too!—Gerry Pool

Children's Studies

Sunday School. The children studied Luke 16:19–31 and learned about the Lazarus and the rich man.

Children's Church. The children reviewed recent lessons today .

Information

Dessert Social. Boys of Faith will be sponsoring a dessert social tonight, November 8, immediately following Sunday Night Church. Cost is \$3 per person or \$10 per family. Come, enjoy dessert and fellowship with the brethren.

Clothing Outlet will be open Tuesday, November 10 from 8 a.m.–6:30 p.m.

Hospitality Meeting. Join us Sunday, November 22, from 7:30–8:00 p.m. in the Bible Learning Center. We will discuss how to engage visitors, make them feel welcome, and get them connected. This meeting is for all those currently involved in the Hospitality Ministry including Ushers, Door Greeters, Hall Helpers, Sunday School Greeters, and Information Desk workers. We also need more volunteers. Please come to the meeting to find out what areas need more help and how you can serve.

JHAM Ski Trip will be Saturday, January 23. More details will be mailed to students in December. Save the date!

Learning New Songs. Would you like to learn the upcoming songs we sing each Sunday during the week? Visit our church Facebook page (www.facebook.com/IndianHillsCommunityChurch) and see the corresponding post *or* write these links down and visit these pages each week. On each page, click on the “Youtube” button to hear the song.

Sunday Morning Services Page:
tiny.cc/sundayam

Sunday Evening Services Page:
tiny.cc/sundaypm

“Sing to the Lord a new song; sing to the Lord, all the earth” (Ps 96:1).



December Fun Money. If you shop at Earl May Nursery or Garden Center and receive December Fun Money, please don't throw it away. Our garden ladies have a list of off-season chemicals they would like to purchase and the December Fun Money allows them to buy items at half price. You can give the Fun Money to Roxanne or Jeanne or put it in the gardening slot in the mail room.

Parking Lot Security. Two men are needed to help with security in the parking lot. Contact Jon Duval or Kevin Wheat to help.

Titus Tuesday Ladies. Please join us Tuesday, November 10 at 9:30 a.m. as Deb Terry teaches the Bible lesson on "Spirit-Led When Talking," which will be followed by discussion moderated by Chris Thomas. Child care provided.

Several workers are needed to care for children in the beginning walker's room during the second hour on Sunday mornings. Please contact Jennifer Lenzen at 402-435-0877 if you are interested in serving in this way.

Men. IHCC is sponsoring a Christian Businessman's Lunch, "Minding HIS Business" on Friday November 13 from noon to 1 p.m. at Valentino's (70th & Van Dorn). Men are encouraged to bring a guest for lunch and to hear the Gospel. The buffet is \$8, but guests eat for free. The speaker is Dr. Curt Kuster. His topic is

"God's Diagnosis; Prognosis; and Treatment Plan for Mankind." Please RSVP 402-483-4541 or adam.flough@ihcc.org

Hospitalizations. Please call the church, 402-483-4541, and notify Pastor Aaron Nicholson for all hospitalizations and births.

Girls' Choir (fourth–twelfth grade) meets every Wednesday from 5-6:15 p.m. in the choir room.

Issues In Our Contemporary World will meet Wednesday in room 1414 from 7–8 p.m.

Nursing Home Door-to-Door Evangelism. If you'd like to help, call Adam Flough, 402-580-3014.

Used Book section is available at Sound Words. You may contribute to or make purchases of discounted and hard-to-find books. Our shelves are growing and the stock is constantly changing in both the fiction and non-fiction categories.

Forgotten Clothing. Coats, jean jackets, hats, gloves and more are waiting to be picked up by their owners. Stop by the south lobby and check the coat racks on the far end for your personal belongings.

Last Week's Message

Nov. 1 AM. GR 1819. *Follow Through On Commitments.* 2 Corinthians 8:16-9:5

Nov. 1 PM. GR 1932. *God Always Keeps His Word.* 1 Peter 2:9-10; Romans 11:1-5, 25-29

This Week's Events

Sunday

Girls of Grace, Boys of Faith 6 p.m.
Sunshine Kids 6:30 p.m.
Dessert Social 7:30 p.m.

Monday

Sisters

Tuesday

Clothing Outlet 8 a.m.–6:30 p.m.
Titus Tuesday 9:30 a.m.
Mansion Builders 7–9 p.m.

Wednesday

Girls' Choir 5–6:15 p.m.
Orchestra 6–7:30 p.m.
Awana 6:45 p.m.
Junior High 6:45 p.m.
Choir 7–8:30 p.m.
Issues Contemporary World 7 p.m.
Six Days & a Flood 7 p.m.
Mansion Builders 7–9 p.m.

Thursday

Alpha Omega Study 7-8 p.m.

Friday

Men's Outreach Lunch Noon–1 p.m.



As winter storms move in, Duane Nelsen and Kevin Wheat will try to keep abreast of the weather and road conditions.

Church cancellations or delays will be posted on the church website: www.ihcc.org

Please take care and be safe.

Future Events

November 18

Pie Pick Up 6–8 p.m.

November 22

Hospitality Meeting

November 26

Thanksgiving: Church Closed

November 27

Church Closed

December 13

Adult Christmas Concert

December 24

Christmas Eve Service
Communion

December 25

Christmas Day
Church Closed

December 26

Church Closed

January 1

New Year's Day
Church Closed

January 23

JHAM Ski Trip

February 19–20

Men's Retreat

February 26–27

Ladies' Retreat

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