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FIRST CORINTHIANS 13:13

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Sunday 9:30a, 10:30a, 6:00p

Tuesday 10:30a

Wednesday 6:30p

Wednesday Benevolence 8:30a

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The Spirit of Truth

Jon Mitchell

When the Spirit of truth comes, he will guide you into all the truth, for he will not speak on his own authority, but whatever he hears he will speak, and he will declare to you the things that are to come. – John 16:13

This passage is commonly cited by many as proof that the Holy Spirit miraculously guides and speaks to them. However, as with just about everything in the Bible, both immediate and overall context must be considered to properly understand and interpret what Jesus is saying here.

Contextually, he is talking to his apostles on the night before he died. Today's scripture is part of the fourth and final time in this conversation that Jesus mentions sending the Holy Spirit to them at some later point (John 14:16-17, 25-26; 15:26-27; 16:7-15). After his resurrection and right before his ascension, he would allude to the Spirit coming upon them again (Acts 1:6-8), something which occurred on the day of Pentecost ten days later (Acts 2:1ff).

Thus, the immediate context of today's passage of Scripture about the Holy Spirit guiding into all truth applies solely to the apostles of Christ, and not to us today. That is not to say that the Spirit gives us no direction or guidance at all today. In fact, the verse indirectly alludes to the fact that he does, when you take into account the overall context:

The Spirit would guide the apostles into all the truth (John 16:13a). God's Word is truth (John 17:17). The apostles and prophets who authored the books of the New Testament were inspired by the Holy Spirit (2 Pet. 1:19-21; Eph. 3:3-5). The Scriptures are said to be inspired by God (2 Tim. 3:16). The Spirit, who inspired the authors of the New Testament, did not speak on his own authority, but spoke whatever he hears (John 16:13b). That would be what he heard from Jesus, who in turn heard it from God the Father (John 16:14-15). Thus, when we read God's Word, we are reading a message from the Holy Spirit. When we heed God's Word, that's how the Spirit guides us (cf. Gal. 5:16-25).

Longing For Thee

Cory Myers

Philippians 3:12-4:1

Introduction:

Are you afraid? Are you stuck? Are you coasting? These questions are brought to mind when you explore this encouraging text before us. In Philippians 3:12-4:1 Paul emboldens Christ's disciples to live with confidence as foreigners in this land which is vying for our citizenship.

1. The Attitude of a Veteran:

- a. Looking Back
- b. Looking In
- c. Looking Around

3. Finding Solid Ground:

Pilate's Wife

Tim Cooke

1. Background of Pilate

2. Jesus' Trial

- a. Matt 27:11-14
- b. Isa 53:7
- c. Luke 23:13-16
- d. Matt 27:17-26

3. Matt 27:19 Pilate's wife

- a. She is unnamed in New Testament
- b. Tradition says (not in God's word)
- c. There are some things we can know
- d. Her upsetting dream
- e. Eccl 5:3

4. His wife words to her husband

5. What can we learn from this today?

- a. Be bold & confident standing up for Christ
 - 1) Mark 8:38
 - 2) Acts 28:31
 - 3) Rom 1:16
- b. Be bold overcoming evil
 - 1) Young & older Christians
 - 2) Eph 6:10-13

6. Conclusion

June 7	Justin Williams	Introduction to James
21	Robert Dodson	Chapter 1 Faith...Hearing & Doing
28	David Mahoev	Trials: Joy/Wisdom/Reward (1:2-8, 12)
July 5	Jim Haden	Temptations: In poverty/In wealth/In desire (1:9-11, 13-18)
12	Scott Barham	Christianity 101: Practical Religion (1:19-27)
19	Jay Lockhart	Chapters 2-4:12 Ignorance of Worldly Living
26	James Olsen	Worldly Preferences (2:1-13)
August 2	Josh Haden	Worldly Faith (2:14-26)
9	David Shastid	Worldly Divisiveness (3:1-18; 4:1-12)
16	Steve Bailey	Chapters 4:13-5 Leaning on OUR Power
23	Billy Roughton	Boasting in our Empty, Worldly Wealth (4:13-5:6)
30	Dale Hill	Suffering w/ Patience & Praying w/ Faith (5:7-18)

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Community Outreach

Benevolence Program
Habitat for Humanity
Food for Fitness

Local Missions

Cherokee Children's Home
In Search of the Lord's Way
Southwest School of Preaching
Brown Trail Spanish School of Preaching
The Truth in Love *ttil.tv*
WVBS Online School
school.wvbs.org
La Poynor Prison Ministry
(Steve & Carrie Handley)

Foreign Missions

Four Seas Bible College, Singapore
New Zealand Harvest Missions

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Prayer List

Terry Shook's husband, Robert Shook, has still been undergoing treatment for cancer, and will soon start chemo and radiation.

Don Corley's daughter-in-law, Sundee Corley, is recovering from multiple surgeries last week, including surgery for her thyroid cancer on Wednesday.

Pat Ellis' grandson, Michael Armstrong, received a great report last week from CT scan indicating no problems.

Helen Strange returned home last Wednesday after her hospital stay due to a very low heart rate. She has a procedure scheduled in a couple of weeks.

James & Yvonne's Ainsworth's son-in-law, Ricky Stepp, has been dealing with COPD and is now trying to get on the list for a lung transplant.

Jeanie Slaughter's cataract surgery has been postponed.

Continue to Remember: Wanda Horner, Shirley Wardlaw, Lanny Powers, Juanita McCary, John Sehon, Don Bowen, Meagan Gould, Royce Bunch, Aline Barrett, Melba & Eleanor Bower, Jerry Cockerham, Wanda Brown, Bobbie Roberts, Anita Hawkins, & Helen Rizzo

Announcements

Youth Summer Camp - REGISTER TODAY! Just go to the Events tab on the Westhill website.

VBS Age Group Leaders are needed. Leaders are guides/chaperones, not teachers. Sign-up sheet is on back desk.

VBS Cookie Sign-Up is now available on back desk.

Lockie Breeding & Stayton Thomas together with their parents request the honor of your presence at their **marriage** June 3, 2017 at 7pm at Flying Feathers Ranch, 36801 Flamingo Rd., Gilmer, TX 75644. Reception to follow.

WOW Save the Date! Ladies Retreat Sept. 29-30
Summers Mill, Belton, TX
Speaker: Whitney Watson, Greenville, TX
Topic: Resolved (to stand for our Lord, no matter the cost)
Registration: May 7 - May 28

Birthdays This Week

May 22 - Raven Wilson
May 24 - Shelby Briggs, Royce Bunch, Zach Drain, & Cameron Haden

May 25 - Sebastian Cuellar
May 27 - Larry Green

Next Week

Bible Class *The Life of the Apostle Paul*
AM Sermon *Courage, Integrity, & Faith*
PM Sermon *The Secure Mind*

Records for May 14, 2017

Bible Class	162
AM Worship.....	260
PM Worship.....	136
Wednesday.....	152
Contribution	\$6,608

Military: Clay Bayes, Jason Book, Alston Compton, Robert Johnson, Ryan Payne, Douglas Ramsey, Ryan Stewart

Privileged to Serve

Song Leader	Zach Drain
Opening Prayer	Hank Jett
Communion Leader	Paul Ross
Communion Servers	
Mike Wylie	Justin Williams
Paul Stewart	Robby Thomas
Frizzell Henry	Luke Baumgartner
David Dilbeck	Dan Gibson
Darrell Olsen	Wayne Prater
Ken Green	Billy Roughton
Closing Prayer	Greg Olsen
Nursery	Kerri Barham & Macie Bearden
PM Song Leader	David Baumgartner
PM Opening Prayer	Dale Hill
PM Closing Prayer	Billy Roughton
Wed. Song Leader	Justin Mahoney
Wed. Devotional	Don Ivy
May Contact Elder	Darwin Thomas