

I am come a light into the world, that whosoever believeth on me should not abide in darkness.

## A MESSAGE FROM PASTOR DOUG "Guard the Gate"

<u>Truth</u>: we have been cleansed from the filth of the world by the washing of water by the Word (John 15:3; Eph 5:25-27, 32). <u>Truth</u>: our body is the temple of the indwelling Holy Spirit in the world and we are to glorify God in our body and in our spirit (1 Cor 6:19-20).

<u>Truth</u>: the unclean defiles the clean, the clean does not purify the unclean (1 Cor 15:33, Hag 2:10-13).

<u>Truth</u>: the spirit is willing but the flesh is weak (Matt 26:41).

Our eyes and ears are gates of the temple of the Holy Spirit. The devil and the world are continually tempting our flesh by assaulting our eyes and our ears with unclean sights and sounds. Social Media is a particularly insidious cesspool into which many a follower of Jesus Christ wades every day. The algorithms note the content upon which we pause and/or open, and then feeds us more for our eyes and ears to consume as we continue to scroll/wade. Social Media can be a slippery slope.

Let us guard our gates! Yielding to the will of the Head of the Body, may we critically and honestly examine our use and consumption of Social Media, understanding that its impact on us is far greater than our impact on it.

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## **OCTOBER 5, 2025**

# TODAY'S SCRIPTURE READING 2 Timothy 1:1-13

#### **SUNDAY MORNING:**

 Sunday Service: Sunday, Oct. 5, at 9:30 am at HCLC or MS Teams & Facebook Live; Children's Ministry available.

#### **MEN'S MINISTRY:**

- Men's Breakfast: Mon., Oct. 6, at 7:00 am; at the Buttered Biscuit on Riggs Rd./Dobson in Chandler.
- Men's Retreat: Oct. 30 (3 pm) —Nov. 1 (12 pm) in Williams, AZ. See flier for info & sign up to inform of your attending; no cost, come & fellowship.

#### **MID-WEEK BIBLE STUDY:**

 Wed., Oct. 8, at 6:30 pm at the Warwick's home for in-person & Microsoft Teams for online; for addresses & more info, see Pastor Doug.

#### **WOMEN'S MINISTRY:**

- Women's Evening Bible Study: Tues., Oct. 7, at 6:15 pm at the Blackburn's home; see flier for directions.
- Women's Morning Bible Study: Tues., Oct. 28th, at 10:30 am at the Morales' home; see flier for directions; (4th Tues. each month).

#### MARRIAGE MINISTRY:

Marriage Enrichment & Fellowship: This Sat.,
 Oct. 11, at 6:00 pm at the Shreeves' home. Theme:
 Fall Foods. Sign up to bring a dish & inform of your attending. See the Shreeves' or Blackburn's for info.

### **OPPORTUNITIES:**

Samatitan's Purse: Pick-up & fill a shoebox; see
 Mike/Elsa if more info needed. Return by Nov. 16.

#### **DECEMBER EVENTS:**

- Family Christmas Party: Sat., Dec. 6, at 1—4 pm, details TBA.
- Christmas Sunday: Sun., Dec. 21, 9:30 am at HCLC, MS Teams & Facebook Live.
- No Mid-Week Studies: Wed., Dec. 24 & 31.

## PRAYER REQUESTS...

To share contact info or leave prayer requests, see the card on the info table and drop in the agape box.

### **WEEKLY STUDIES & FELLOWSHIPS**

#### SUNDAYS: Preaching & Teaching

9:30 AM Main Study at Horizon Honors School;

GoToMeeting & Facebook Live online. Children's available; no Youth Ministry

**MONDAYS** 

7:00 AM: Men's Breakfast at The Buttered Biscuit

(formerly The Original Biscuits), Riggs Rd.

#### **WEDNESDAYS:** Feeding the Hungry

6:30 PM Mid-Week Study at the Warwick's home

& Microsoft Teams. See Pastor Doug for

## STILL WATERS MINISTRIES PRAYER REQUESTS

1. Weekly discipleship for kids

2. Frank: his calling and provision

3. Permits from Gov't.

4. Wisdom in all things

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#### **MISSIONS**

Shepherd's Light—Israel
For Zion's Sake—Israel
C.I.D.—Muslim Outreach
Florence Prison
SWM—Egypt
Ohlmann Family—Philippines
Coleman Family—Crete
Angie V.—Central America
Practical Love Ministry—Egypt
Neama Family—Lebanon

Life More Abundantly—Phx

#### TITHES & OFFERINGS

If you are a visitor here today, it is our desire simply for you to enjoy the service today. If you consider this church your home church, the Scriptures teach that each man should give as he has purposed in his heart with God; that everyone should give as they are able; and that giving should be done with a joyful heart and not grudgingly. For further study read 2 Corinthians 8 & 9. We do not take an offering; we have available an 'Agape Box' for all gifts and prayer requests.