

An Epistle from Paul:

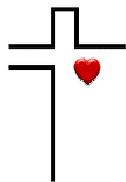


Persistence Isn't Always Good! – I'll illustrate what I mean. Several years ago I read of a J. J. Johnson Jr. of Ft. Worth Texas. To say he likes to play golf is an understatement. As of July of 1994 he played golf on 3,725 consecutive days. That means J. J. Johnson did not miss a day of golf in a ten year stretch!...

But then persistence is good when it comes to marriage. W. L. and Mary Philips who also live in Texas recently celebrated their 67th wedding anniversary. Mary was asked if she knew 67 years ago that her marriage to W. L. would be a lasting marriage. She explained, "When we were courting W.L. would have to travel twenty five miles through country roads and cattle guards. That meant for him to come and visit me and then return home he had to get off his horse or get out of his car eighty-four times to open and close gates. I knew then that his was true love."

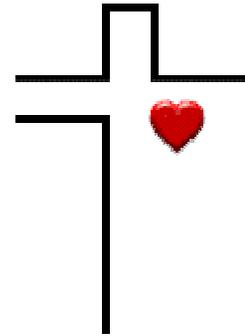
Let me use the above to help illustrate another important Biblical principle. Galatians 6:9 says, "*And let us not lose heart in doing good, for in due-time we shall reap if we do not grow weary.*" There is not a one of us that doesn't need assurance and the reminder that our faithfulness to the Lord will more than "pan out." To those who are entering the later stages of their lives here, this is especially relevant. How we all need to *finish strong* and persist in our worship and service to the King of kings and the Lord of lords. Persistence in sin is wrong and bad (and for the record I am not saying golfing is sin)... Persistence in *grace responsive living* is good and right... May God use us to encourage each other to persist in the areas we need to persist!!!

In His Marvelous Love, Paul



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The Timely Word

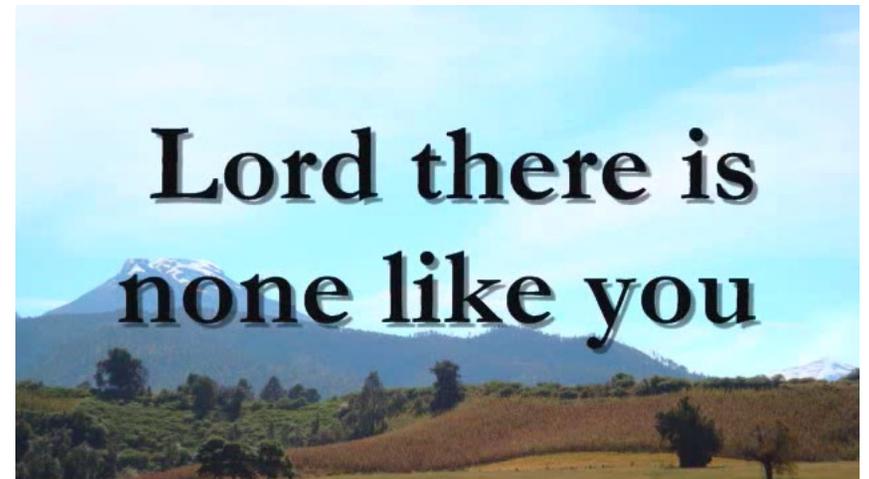
Proverbs 15:23 "... How delightful is a timely word."

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Come Worship and Serve Him With Us!

Bible School9:30 a.m. Morning Worship10:30 a.m.
Wednesday Bible Study10 a.m. and 6:30 p.m.

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Our Theme for 2018!

We pray that you understand and appreciate the significance behind our theme for this New Year – "***There is None Like You!***" The world demands that "any god" will do. Nothing could be further from the truth. Our God is Creator, Sustainer, Redeemer and Lord! No other god comes even close to Almighty God... Because of this, the more we know Him, the more we trust Him, the more we understand the significance to all of this. Our study in the book of Hebrews throughout 2018 will reinforce the importance behind all of this. We urge you to make ever effort to be present each Sunday – first for worship... and then for study!!!



Here's the Count!

January 7, 2018\$3,670.25
 (Building = \$25; Missions = \$50)
 January 14, 2018.....\$2,694.38
 (Building = \$385; Missions = \$160)



Join Us in 2018!

Read through the Bible in a year schedules are available in the foyer. Pick yours up and begin to join the rest of us in reading through the Bible in 2018. It is not

too late to begin this. You will reap much good in putting forth the time/effort to do this! Pick up a schedule and join in reading...!!!

Sixth Annual Chili Cook-off 01-24-18!

By the time you read this our sixth annual chili cook-off will probably be history... We hope you and yours are making plans to be present for this special time of food and fellowship. Bring your



favorite recipe of chili and see if you won't be the best chili for 2018! If you don't have a special chili to bring come with another side dish and/or dessert. We'll be meeting at the building at 6:30!!!



Praise Ensemble to Accompany Worship!

This coming Sunday we plan to have a few added instruments to encourage more participation during our worship time. Use them to help you personally participate more during our worship time together... We hope to use these and more instruments in the future as well!!!

(by no means an exhaustive list)

Military Personnel: Zach Claywell, Austin Brasher, Stephen Watts, David Holmes, Dustin Sherrod...

Recovering and Other Matters: Betty/Cronley Teater, Emma Grace Mills, Reva Cole, Dan Swihart, Monte Rieger, Jack/John Rowell, Barry Rieger, Emma Sartain, Joe/Margaret Worrell, Randy Eby, Ron Lee, Stephen Wentzell, Janet & Everrt Synder, Sherry Steingass, Harold Worley, Vickie Hunt, Larry Paxson, J. Michael Parks, Barb Stonecash, Greg Watts, Kari Newsock, Stephen Wentzell...

Dealing With Cancer: Dalene McIntire, Rebecca Strong, Janey Brown, Pete Taylor, Andrea Brandenburg, Sherry Steingass...



Baby Shower January 28, 2018!



This will be for David and Taylor Holmes as they are expecting a baby boy in February... Meet here at the building at 2 PM and bring a baby picture of yourself to help out in a couple of games that will be played. If more detail is desired get in touch with Jennifer Eby and she'll be able to help you with that!!

In Remembrance of Our Lord!



Just a reminder to the church family that with the flu and cold season heavily upon us, there may be Sundays when you are not physically able to be present to meet around the Lord's Table. Our men are willing and able to bring the Lord's Supper to your home and/or hospital/nursing home. All that we ask of you is that you make a formal request concerning this through the office or to one of the elders. Again, simply let us know this is your desire...!!!