

For Our Information

Annette Gray's Brother, Glenn James, is in the last stages of lung cancer and is on hospice.

Thelma Echols has been in the hospital since Thursday with a throat infection which is making it difficult to swallow.

John Jackson's Mother, Nettie Jackson, is on oxygen and not able to get around at all.

Ricky Ragsdale went two days without receiving platelets but had to get some yesterday.

Keep your brothers & sisters in mind

We seek only to serve God according to His Will!

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We want opportunities to speak with others about our work in the Lord's Kingdom.

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This Caught My Eye

This week I want to point you back to something we all know and already have at least one copy, The Holy Bible. I know, you already spend some time reading and studying the Bible, but I want you to notice the extras that might be in your Book. When you open your Bible to a particular Scripture have you ever noticed a list of book, chapter, verse references somewhere on the page. Many Bibles have them in between the two columns of text, but others have a block of them at the bottom of each page. Still others may just list them at the end of the verses.

Those listings are other Scriptures that may help you understand something in the verse you are reading. Usually they are linked to a particular phrase of word by a letter or number and that same idea or word will be found in the other reference. If you have never taken the time to follow those references, I suggest you use the ones that might be linked in a familiar verse and get acquainted with them.

As always, if you need help or more information, please ask.

Seeking His Righteousness

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Hear the Word

The first thing needed by one who will achieve eternal salvation is the Word of God. We often mention "Hear the word" at the beginning of our recitation of the 'steps' of salvation and we are not wrong to do so. The problem sometimes comes in application of this teaching.

If one is to seek the righteousness of God it is necessary that they know God first. While crying out against wickedness is certainly needed from time to time, it is important for us to remember the need to simply present the Word. Without a knowledge of what God has revealed through His word no one can ever come to know God. Scripture tells us



*"Until I come,
give attention to
the public
reading of
Scripture, to
exhortation and
teaching."*

1 Timothy 4:13 NASB



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that the creation is evidence that there is a God, but to learn who He is and what He wants of us requires that we have a means of hearing His Words.

Creation Declares A God

Many in the world are trying to destroy God's connection to creation by using man's ideas to instruct that what we see and know about our world is just a result of random events. Yet even our own meager efforts at invention and in the arts demonstrate clearly that any design requires a designer and the more intelligent or intricate the design, the more intelligent the designer. Even a simple thing like a child's drawing shows evidence of some sort of thought process.

When we look at the complexity of the world around us it is only proper to understand that there was some sort of greater power behind its coming into being. A bunch of rocks in a bag do not suddenly become a diamond necklace. Someone must shape and polish them and arrange them into the necklace. Any one of the many systems in our own body is much more complex than a diamond necklace. Just the fact that my mind decides which word to include in this article and my fingers quickly press the correct key while I look at the screen is evidence of a complexity of organization and coordination in my body beyond my understanding. Creation calls out "There is a God!"

But though we have sufficient evidence of a God in the world around us, we need more if we are to know who is God and much more if we are ever to

Store In My Heart

2Timothy 2:15

Be diligent to present yourself approved to God, a worker who doesn't need to be ashamed, correctly teaching the word of truth.

Study, be diligent, do your best, these are needed.

We need to put forth our best effort in learning how to please God so that we will be the worker he desires for us to be. The only way to please God is to use His Word to change our life.

The last phrase in this verse reminds us that our work for God involves not just using His Word in our own life, but also demonstrating it to others.

Work your hardest to become a proper worker within God's Word.

Learn and apply this verse!

understand what He might want with me.

The Word Reveals God

No one can know the mind of a man unless that man reveals his mind to them. Have you ever tried to know what someone wants without first asking them. Husbands, how many times have you gathered the perfect something for your wife yet when you present it to her it is obvious you got the wrong thing? Wives, how often have you tried to help your husband with something only to hand him the wrong tool for the job? These simple examples speak volumes about our inability to know the mind of another.

Now we understand why it is impossible to know the mind of the Creator unless we find what He has revealed. Samuel did not know the Lord until He was revealed to him. (**1Samuel 3:7**) Peter tells us the prophets spoke as they were directed by the Spirit of God. (**2Peter 1:20-21**) We can only come to know God when we read what He has revealed.

This is why it is so important that we encourage our children, friends and neighbors to read the Word of God. No one should just accept the word of any man. They need to read what God has given us. So many today want someone to tell them what God said, but that makes it too easy to be led astray. We need to read the Scriptures. We need to encourage others to read the Scriptures. Do you quote God when trying to help solve a problem? Do you read from God's Word to your family. Everyone needs to **Hear The Word!**