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profits me nothing." -

Corinthians 13:3

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Forgiveness in Relationships

And though I bestow all my goods to feed the poor,

and though I give my body to be burned,

and have not charity [love]

What Is Your Next Faithful Step? Judges 6-8

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"every disciple that is perfect shall be as his master." Luke 6:40b

PSALM 19

In Luke 13:3 the Lord told us, "except ye repent, ye shall all likewise perish." Three things are necessary for repentance to salvation—to prevent our perishing:

- 1. Men must first recognize **HE IS** God and **seek** Him out.
- 2. They must then **LEARN** what He wants of them.
- 3. Finally, they must **OBEY!**

This has always been the case. **Psalm 19** is a beautiful illustration of these 3 points:

- 1) God has declared plainly, to **all** men, that **HE IS** in verses 1-6:
- "The heavens declare the glory of God; and the firmament sheweth his handywork. Day unto day uttereth speech, and night unto night sheweth knowledge. There is no speech nor language, where their voice is not heard. Their line is gone out through all the earth, and their words to the end of the world. In them hath he set a tabernacle for the sun, Which is as a bridegroom coming out of his chamber, and rejoices as a strong man to run a race. His going forth is from the end of the heaven, and his circuit unto the ends of it: and there is nothing hid from the heat thereof."
- 2) God has told us what we must **LEARN** in verses 7-9:
- "The law of the LORD is perfect, converting the soul: the testimony of the LORD is sure, making wise the simple. The statutes of the LORD are right, rejoicing the heart: the commandment of the LORD is pure, enlightening the eyes. The fear of the LORD is clean, enduring for ever: the judgments of the LORD are true and righteous altogether."
- 3) God has told us to **OBEY** what we learn, in verses 10-14:
- "More to be desired are they than gold, yea, than much fine gold: sweeter also than honey and the honeycomb. Moreover by them is thy servant warned: and in keeping of them there is great reward. Who can understand his errors? cleanse thou me from secret faults. Keep back thy servant also from presumptuous sins; let them not have dominion over me: then shall I be upright, and I shall be innocent from the great transgression. Let the words of my mouth, and the meditation of my heart, be acceptable in thy sight, O LORD, my strength, and my redeemer."

- Ed Kelleher, West Columbia church of Christ, South Carolina

DO WHAT GOD WANTS ... NO IN BETWEEN IN 2014!

"PRAY FOR ONE ANOTHER" - James 5:16

REMEMBER IN PRAYER: Stephanie Rigney, Dorothy Gray and family, Pat Joyner, Gwen Pittman, Anna Porter, also Richard Ramkinson, Wilson Burton.

- Margie DeYoung is in critical condition in hospice care.
- Michelle Bolen's dad, Mike Braun has pneumonia.
- Anna Porter is doing better, as is Tommy White.
- It is reported that Richard Ramkinson isn't well.
- Margaret Herring continues to suffer with many ailments.
- Remember also, Gwen Pittman (send a card), Dorothy Gray, Margaret Gamble (Jones' sister), Stephanie Rigney, Floyd Richbourg and Carolyn Stidham.
- Remember to pray for and send cards to those we've not seen for awhile.
- Pray also that we <u>all</u> grow in faith, hope, love, humility, zeal, mercy, knowledge.

"For in that he himself (Jesus) hath suffered being tempted, he is able to succor them that are tempted." - Hebrews 2:18

"AND THEY CONTINUED STEADFASTLY" - Acts 2:42

- Bring your **SE Children's home change cans** in **Sunday**. We'll count them after the evening assembly.
- First Sunday is <u>next</u> week. Plan to stay to share some time together; men's business meeting afterwards.
- Windsor Lake Gospel Meeting Fri 10/10—Sun 10/12.
- Bible study, Saturdays, 3pm, informal, bring friends and your Bible questions.
- We need **volunteers** to take the DVD and the Lord's supper to our shut-ins.

"For where your treasure is, there will your heart be also." - Luke 12:34

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"WEEP WITH THEM THAT WEEP" - Romans 12:15

• **Jim "Connie" Farley**, 89 passed away Tuesday. The funeral was Friday at the Long Creek church. **Brother Farley** was a teacher and a master builder. He renovated the buildings here at West Columbia, for which we are very grateful. He was responsible for many other buildings where the Lord's church meets as well.

Here's what to study in order to be sure you are pleasing to God.

NT BOOKS (27): Matthew Mark Luke John Acts	1 Corinthians 2 Corinthians Galatians Ephesians Philippians Colossians	2 Thessalonians 1 Timothy 2 Timothy Titus Philemon Hebrews	1 Peter 2 Peter 1 John 2 John 3 John Jude
Acts Romans	Colossians 1 Thessalonians	James	Jude Revelation

ARE YOU LISTENING?

Here's a verse that ought to get our attention:

"Every branch in me that beareth not fruit he taketh away: - John 15:2

God, being spirit, wants (and requires!) **spiritual** fruit from us. Fruit that will make **us** more **pleasing** in **His** sight and **valuable** to Him and **worth** keeping. When we, as branches in Christ, have and abound in the spiritual qualities of: Mercy, faith, faithfulness, love, patience, meekness, hope, zeal, joy etc. God will be pleased because these are the things He **wants** from **us**. Here's what you should do:

- 1. First, you must want to bear good fruit (Proverbs 16:9)
- 2. Get your heart (the soil) ready (2 Peter 1:5-8)
- 3. Plant the right **seed** (Luke 8:11, Colossians 1:5,6)
- 4. Water and **nurture** the seed and the soil (1 Corinthians 3:6, 1 Peter 2:2)
- 5. **Recognize** good fruit, reject the poorer (Colossians 1:10, Titus 3:14)
- 6. Remember, the fruit is for **God**, we're just the servants (John 15:8)

That ye might be ... Strengthened with all might, according to his glorious power, unto all patience and longsuffering with joyfulness'' - Colossians 1:10,11

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"Blessed *is* that servant, whom his lord when he cometh shall find so doing." - Luke 12:43

"Finally, brethren, whatsoever things are true, whatsoever things are honest, whatsoever things are just, whatsoever things are pure, whatsoever things are lovely, whatsoever things are of good report; if there be any virtue, and if there be any praise, think on these things. Those things, which ye have both learned, and received, and heard, and seen in me, do: and the God of peace shall be with you." - Philippians 4:8,9

Note that the apostle says "<u>DO</u>". We **all** must be **doing** the things told us by the apostles in the Bible. Read your Bibles, learn what God wants of us and then **do it! All** of it!

COMMUNICATING OUR LOVE

(Partial list, can you add more?)

- 1. Suffer together (1 Corinthians 12:26)
- 2. Rejoice together (Romans 12:15)
- 3. Carry each others' burdens (Galatians 6:2)
- 4. Restore each other (Galatians 6:1)
- 5. Pray for one another (Romans 15:30)
- 6. Teach & admonish one another (Col 3:16)

- 7. Refresh one another (Romans 15:32)
- 8. Encourage each other (Acts 28:15)
- 9. Forgive one another (Ephesians 4:32)
- 10. Confess to one another (James 5:16)
- 11. Be truthful with each other (Eph 4:25)
- 12. Provoke to love&good works (Heb 10:24)
- 13. Give to each other (Philippians 4:14,15)
- 14. Comfort one another (1 Thess 4:18)