

I therefore, a prisoner for the Lord, urge you to walk in a manner worthy of the calling to which you have been called.

Ephesians 4:1

Store In My Heart

Psalm 115:1

Not to us, O LORD, not to us, but to your name give glory, for the sake of your steadfast love and your faithfulness!

No matter what we may accomplish during the course of time we need to understand that all glory should go to the Lord. I am not talking about the kind of "I give all glory to God" we see among celebrities and athletes most of the time. I am speaking of an honest, heart felt acknowledgement that we are nothing without the help of the Lord.

As we close the old and begin a new year this weekend we should take time to consider where we would be if it were not for the help of the Lord. I am convinced that life would be much less appealing to me if I were trying to get by on my own skill and knowledge. Fortunately for all of us, God has provided a way to know True Life through His Son.



Doing More For The Lord In 2023

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More Daily Walking With Jesus In 2023: Faithful members of God's family will "walk with God" as "Enoch walked with God" (**Genesis 5:24**), and "Noah walked with God" (**Genesis 6:9**). Walking with the **Lord** simply means that we live and act (and react) every day as He instructs us in His Word. At work, school, home, or at play - wherever we find ourselves, we respond to daily responsibilities and/or pleasures according to the principles taught in the Bible.

More Daily Bible Reading In 2023: Faithful members of Christ's church who desire to keep a spiritual "edge" will read their Bibles as often as possible. Even busy people can (busy people especially should) develop daily Bible reading habits. Pick up a reading chart and make it a point to spend a few minutes each day reading God's holy book. It could be in the morning before going to work, or at lunch-time for just a few minutes, or at night before retiring to bed, or anytime in between these. If you miss one day, don't miss the next. Statistics show that it takes 21 days before daily Bible reading becomes a habit, and only 3 days to break it. Commitment and consistency are keys to success. "And they searched the scriptures daily...." (**Acts 17:11**).

More Faithfulness In Assembling In 2023: Assembling with those of like precious faith at each appointed assembly should be of utmost importance to every Christian. The

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times of worship and Bible study should be **automatic** in a Christian's weekly schedule. These are times when we are spiritually (and mutually) built up and encouraged. Christians should depend on one another to attend faithfully at all the assemblies set aside by the congregation.

More "Christian" Social Activity In 2023: Christians need to regularly associate with other Christians aside from the scheduled assemblies of the church. We need each other to encourage and strengthen each other. Over one hundred times the New Testament writers use the term "one-another, love one another, comfort one another, exhort one another, serve one another, use hospitality one to another," etc. Christians should make friends from those of the world (to evangelize), but our closest friends should be of those in Christ!

For Our Information

The Gray family is dealing with the flu and have been exposed to covid.

Doctor visits found areas where Paula Laubach needs to increase some of her medications for now.

Dan Henderson is scheduled for a calcium scan at the heart doctor Tues.

Tonight we start in 2Kings 6.

Wednesday we will start in Hebrews 3.

Make plans to join us for these studies.

Pray for safety, courage & healing.

(Yes, I know it would be a catchier title if I waited to use this article in 2024, but I will forget where I put it by then. Besides, we need to start doing more now if we expect to please the Lord and follow the instruction of Paul. **(1Thessalonians 4:1)** This article does not give us some new way to think or act. The purpose of articles such as this is to remind us that we need to keep working in a diligent manner on improving our walk with God so that we can draw closer to Him every day.

Below you will find a chronological listing of the New Testament books with the approximate year in which they were written. I find such information to be helpful in gaining a better understanding of the Scriptures. Maybe it will help you also. DLH)

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| 50 - James | 63 - Philemon | 67 - Hebrews |
| 52 - 1Thessalonians | 63 - Ephesians | 68 - 1Peter |
| 52 - 2Thessalonians | 63 - Luke | 68 - 2Peter |
| 55 - Galatians | 64 - Acts | 68 - Jude |
| 57 - 1Corinthians | 65 - 1Timothy | 85 - John |
| 57 - 2Corinthians | 65 - Titus | 90 - 1John |
| 58 - Romans | 66 - 2Timothy | 91 - 2John |
| 62 - Philippians | 66 - Mark | 92 - 3John |
| 62 - Colossians | 67 - Matthew | 68/95 - Revelation |



We seek only to serve God according to His Will!