



**GROW
IN
GRACE**
NEWSLETTER

Volume 40, No. 41, October 14 , 2014 / Southside Baptist Church & Christian School / P.O. Box 1594 / 1028 South Water Avenue, Gallatin, TN 37066 (615) 452-5951 / The Grow in Grace Newsletter is **a weekly Bible Study**, plus local church news notes— designed first and foremost for members and those attending services at Southside Church. It is sent forth with the desire to aid one and all, (including friends far and wide), in the experience of 2 Peter 3:18. ***“But grow in grace, and in the knowledge of our LORD and Saviour JESUS CHRIST. To Him be glory both now and forever. Amen.”***

THE LORD’S SUPPER, This Sunday!

“This Do In Remembrance Of Me!”

Surely one of the grand purposes of the LORD’S SUPPER is to provide an opportunity for the LORD’S people to concentrate **our mind’s attention and our heart’s affection** on the Person and work of the LORD JESUS CHRIST! This will require a deliberate choice of the heart and a deliberate exercise of our wills. **Here are seven REMEMBRANCES for saints in Christ to meditate upon in preparation for and while partaking of the LORD’S SUPPER.**

1. REMEMBER HIS NAME!

“Some trust in chariots and some in horses; but we will REMEMBER the name of the LORD our GOD!” (Ps. 20:7) **Concentration upon the various names** of the LORD is sure to comfort us and guide us and move us to worship and praise. In the Bible, God’s names combine to reveal the beauty and awesomeness of God’s character; as well as the glories of salvation!

JESUS: He saves us from our sins! (Matt. 1:21) **CHRIST:** He is the Anointed One of God who lived a life of perfect obedience to the Father, even unto death on the cross.

HE IS CALLED “Wonderful, Counselor, the Mighty God, the Everlasting Father and the Prince of Peace.” (Isa. 9:6) **THE WORD:** He is the everlasting Word, the full display of GOD, the Father’s only Son and heaven’s Beloved! “His name is as ointment poured forth.” (Song of S. 1:3) [Additional, brief list of names: <http://www.gotquestions.org/names-Jesus-Christ.html>]

2. REMEMBER HIS WORKS!

“Remember His marvelous works that He hath done!” (1 Chron. 16:12) O the mighty works of God! **In works in creation**, “He spake and it was done; He commanded and it stood fast.” (Ps. 33:9) As the great Creator and Life Giver, He created! (Genesis 1 & 2) The heavens declare His glory! (Ps. 19:1) BUT ALL OF THIS FADES into utter insignificance in comparison to **the mighty work of Redemption**, which He accomplished at the infinite cost of the sacrifice of Himself! (Matthew 26-28)

3. REMEMBER HIS LOVE!

As the believer concentrates on that “love which passeth knowledge,” the breadth and length and height and depth of which is beyond all human capacity to understand, he will soon find himself “lost in wonder, love and praise,” and his soul flooded with precious thoughts of “love so amazing, so divine.” (Eph. 3:19) **As we come to His Table and partake of sacred symbols, we have the opportunity, in a very special way, to have intimate fellowship with JESUS!** But not in some mystical change in the composition of the elements of the bread and the wine or juice; but rather by the blessed Holy Spirit quickening and illuminating and revealing JESUS and His great love! Thus, the love of Christ will call forth from the depths of our being, “I love Him, because He first loved me!” (1 John 4:19)

4. REMEMBER HIS AFFLICTION!

Here we stand on holy ground, and a great hush should fall upon us as in wonder and in awe we contemplate the awful sufferings of the Son of God, by which salvation was accomplished for sinners like you and I. If we will but be quiet and be still before the open Word of God, we will hear the blessed Savior, as it were, draw near and say— **Remember that I became** the Man of sorrows and was acquainted with grief. **Remember** that I suffered such grievous opposition and bitter hostility from sinners, enduring the cross and despising the shame—all for your sake! (Heb. 12: 1-4) **Remember that I was** forsaken by God my Father and that all the

floodgates of the infinite wrath of Holy God were placed upon me as I hung upon the cross bearing all of your sins in My own body. **Remember that I did it** all for you, that you might have your sins forgiven, have sin's power broken, satan's claims upon you destroyed forever, and that you might be at peace with God.

5. REMEMBER HIS EXALTATION!

“**Remember** that JESUS CHRIST was raised from the dead according to my gospel!” (2 Tim. 2:8) **Remember** that, “Christ, being raised from the dead dieth no more; death hath no more dominion over Him. For that He died, He died unto sin once (once for all!): but in that He liveth, He liveth unto God.” (Romans 6:9-10)

Remember, that at the LORD'S TABLE we not only remember His death, but the One who arose; and who now lives in the power of an endless life; and that He is now at the Father's right hand, ever making intercession for us!

6. REMEMBER HIS MERCIES!

It is a needful and a good thing to remember **the black past** of our unsaved days, and contrast it with the present blessedness of being IN CHRIST, and with the future, eternal glory of forever being AS HE IS and seeing Him FACE TO FACE.

“...Remember, that ye being in time past Gentiles in the flesh... that at that time ye were without Christ... HAVING NO HOPE, and without God in the world: BUT NOW IN CHRIST JESUS, ye who were sometimes far off, are made nigh by the BLOOD OF CHRIST.” (Eph. 2:11-13)

We would also do well to remember the multitude of goodness and mercies of the LORD which have followed us all the days of our lives... Let us lift up our voices with the Psalmist: **“I will sing of the mercies of the LORD forever: with my mouth I will make known thy faithfulness to all generations!”** (Ps. 89:1)

7. REMEMBER HIS WORDS!

O how we need to remember His words! And that is a grand part of the blessed ministry of the Holy Spirit— to guide us into the truth of all His words! (John 16:13-14) We are exhorted to “Let the word of Christ dwell

in you richly in all wisdom.” (Col. 3:16) IN HIS WORDS we find promises to claim, commands to keep, wisdom to follow, paths of destruction to avoid, light for our paths and our steps, hope when all is dark, and so much more! Thus, the ‘WORD’ for this hour is this: **“THIS DO IN REMEMBRANCE OF ME!”**

“According to Thy gracious word, in deep humility this would I do,
O Christ my LORD, I WOULD REMEMBER THEE.

Thy body, given for my sake, my bread from heaven shall be:
 Thy testamental cup I take, **AND THUS REMEMBER THEE.**

Remember Thee, and all Thy pains, and all Thy love to me;
 Yea, while a breath, a pulse remains, **WOULD I REMEMBER THEE.**
 And when, O LORD, Thou comest again, and I Thy glory see,
 forever as the LAMB once slain, **I WILL REMEMBER THEE!”**

(Poem by James Montgomery; article edited from THE LORD’S TABLE by Alfred P. Gibbs)

If you are a part of the Southside fellowship of believers or you are a brother/sister in Christ desiring a place to worship— We hope to SEE YOU AT HIS TABLE! This Sunday morning!

Grace to All In Christ! James Bell

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 For a further VERY IMPORTANT Study on the LORD'S SUPPER: **The Mass Versus The Lord's Supper By Dr. Harry Ironside**  
<http://www.gotothebible.com/HTML/massversus.html>

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Christ Is My Life! It was in the early 1980s. A certain brother had traveled to Gallatin to preach to some pastors and to preach at Southside Baptist. As we began our journey back to the Nashville, Tennessee, airport, **I handed this veteran servant of the LORD a small tape recorder and asked him to expound upon the topic of this article.**

As you can imagine, when speaking into a tape recorder under such circumstances, the best of sentence construction, etc., may not prevail. Nevertheless, due to the desire to keep this present article as close as possible to what was heard and taped that day, only very minor changes have been made. **I strongly suggest that you read this article a number of times, until its truths are firmly engrafted into the**

soul! The speaker on the tape was Joseph Carroll, a servant of the LORD for many years. He now worships his LORD, in heaven!

Christ Is My Life!

"One of the most important and transforming truths that has ministered to me is the fact that **Christ is my life!** Therefore, anything that was not in the life of Christ or manifested in Christ when he was on this earth, should not be manifested in my life! If I am appropriating Christ as my Life, this will be my experience. We all know the great truth of John 15, abiding in Christ as the branch abides in the vine, which so wonderfully reveals that ***without Christ I can do nothing***. And then, as God reveals through the Apostle Paul, ***I can do all things through Christ!***

So, there must be that moment by moment appropriation of Christ for every need. This is the great truth of John 15, which is one of the high points of any study of the gospel of John.

One Christian writer has said that to abide in Christ, ***the disciple must set his life in Christ and derive all from Christ by the inward aspiration of faith***. But how does that work out in daily life? Christ is our Life and we know that we are new creations in Him, **but how does it work out in life?**

You must understand that what we are now speaking about is of supreme importance because satan, the enemy, having been defeated by our LORD on the Cross, and we, having been delivered by the precious blood of our LORD and taken out from under the dominion and authority of satan— **satan has no place in our lives, no authority in our lives, and no power in our lives UNLESS we give him that authority ourselves!** We must remember that it is by the avenue of temptation that satan endeavors to activate our fallen nature, causing an inroad to be made, by which he gains a foothold, even a stronghold.

So, here's the situation: As a Christian, **Christ is my Life** and **Christ is in me** by His Holy Spirit. Now, the enemy comes, tempting me with something that, frankly, I know is not in the life of Christ!

For example: The temptation to fear comes. It may be fear of failure, fear of the loss of health or fear of the future-- fear may take many different forms. But such fears were never in the life of Christ. So, they should not be in my life as a Christian. Nevertheless, I am being tempted

to accept and to embrace such fears. In fact, the world, my flesh, and the devil all team up to tell me that such fears are justified!

Therefore, immediately, bringing every thought into captivity to the obedience of Jesus Christ, these fears must be refused and rejected in Jesus' name. **Why?** They had no place in the life of Christ. They must not have any part in my life.

Therefore, since I am in Christ and Christ is in me and since Christ is my Life, I can and must confess:

"In the name of the LORD Jesus Christ, I refuse this fear and I claim deliverance on the grounds of the shed blood of Christ who has already delivered me from fear and from satan!"

This steadfast belief in my heart and confession with my lips empowers me to experience the victory that is already mine in Christ. **I am not praying for victory! I am entering into the victory already won for me!**

It is absolutely vital that we understand this great truth! What is it that God has provided for every Christian? He has given us LIFE IN HIS SON! Therefore, He has given us victory over sin and satan, not only on the grounds of His Son's precious shed blood, but also on the grounds of His wonderful INDWELLING by His Holy Spirit!

Therefore, again, we do not ask for victory because we have the one who is the Victor. The One to whom all power and authority is given, has been given to indwell us by the Holy Spirit. Winning spiritual battles is fundamentally a matter of understanding this truth and then appropriating the truth of our LORD'S indwelling at every point!

Another example: There may be a tendency to accept disappointment. Now, the LORD showed me many years ago that to accept disappointment was sin. Jesus never accepted any spirit of disappointment into His life. He never knew failure. Well, this was the experience of Jesus Christ when He walked upon the earth. He has not changed. Living in the Christian by the Holy Spirit, He is still the same on earth today.

So, again: Whatever was in the life of Christ, I accept. Whatever was not in the life of Christ, I reject!

Normal Christian living is experiencing the life of Christ on the earth today! This is the basis and the essence of victorious Christian living.

Perhaps a little illustration will be of help: The UPS worker has stopped his truck in front of your home, he comes to your door and he has a package addressed to you. Your name was there, your address was there and he said, "Please sign on the dotted line!"

BUT YOU ARE ALERT AND YOU SAY, "Do you happen to know the contents of this package, this box? Before I sign, I want to know what I am signing for!" And the UPS person say, "Yes, I do know what's in the box! It is a box full of live, agitated rattlesnakes!"

What will you do now?

Well, you can receive the box, if you so wish. After all, it is addressed to you.

But know this: If you receive it, then you have to deal with it! It's in your hands.

BUT, YOU DO NOT HAVE TO RECEIVE IT!

All you have to do is to say to the UPS worker, "**I will not sign nor will I receive this package. Return it to the sender!**"

Do you see the principle?

You and I can only experience VICTORY as we **make the choice to refuse** everything that is of sin, self, satan, and/or of satan's society! Now, our authority is the precious blood of Jesus, because His blood has delivered us from satan— once and for all time!

As a Christian, you have been purchased;

you have been redeemed by the blood of Christ.

Therefore, satan has no part, no authority over you.

Therefore, when you see that satan is attempting to get you to accept something that was not in the life of Christ, you must resolutely refute and reject it.

Immediately, confess to yourself, even confess aloud:

"Christ is my Life. I am in Christ and Christ is in me.

Whatever was in the life of Christ is to be in my life.

Whatever was not in the life of Christ is not to be in my life.

This thing was not in the life of Christ, therefore, I refuse it in Jesus' name!"

Remember, this is war. You must be resolute. You must be aggressive in your attitude and spirit in making these confessions of faith. And when you do, you will find that the power of the temptation is broken. Satan is behind the temptation. But it matters not; for as we submit to God with these godly confessions, we are empowered to resist the devil and he must flee.

But you must be very clear about what you are doing. **To put it simply:** Christian, Christ is your Life. But you have a fallen nature. And the enemy will try to activate that fallen nature. He will come to you with temptation. He will try to make you accept the temptation.

It may be a fear of the future, fear of failure. **It may be** a lying spirit that tells you that God has washed His hands of you. **It may be** a spirit of anger or bitterness or of lust. There are legions of temptations.

Recognize them for what they are.

Refuse them on the grounds of the shed blood of Christ and that now Christ is your Life.

Submit to God's will for your life.

Resist and refuse the world, the flesh, and the devil.

Further undergird your resolve with singing or with saying great Hymns of the faith, or with Scripture songs.

GLORIOUS RELEASE WILL COME!"

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Grace to one and all! James Bell

## **SOUTHSIDE NEWS NOTES!**

**TUESDAYS:** Come and sing every Tuesday night at Gallatin Health Care nursing home. Meet at the front door at 5:30PM. Questions call Bradley Pennington at 615-804-3054.

**\*\* WEDNESDAYS:** PRAYER SERVICE at 7:00PM; **IN THE CHURCH AUDITORIUM!**

**\*\* NOTE:** Jody Allen is ministering to young Children, up to about age 10 during Prayer Service. Older children, but not old enough for the Youth Group... will be with their parents in the Prayer Service. **YOUTH GROUP:** Wednesdays 6-8pm... led by Byron Smith

**➔ NEXT LADIES BIBLE STUDY— October 23 @ 11:00AM,**

Led by Cindy Bell

**\* SATURDAY MORNINGS @ 8am: Men's Fellowship/Bible Study! \***

### **SUNDAY Schedule for October 19:**

**1. 9:30am-** Sunday School Bible Study and Small Group Fellowship

**2. 10:45am-** Morning Worship / Children's Church / **LORD'S SUPER** at conclusion of the morning workship service. [NO meal at church; no early afternoon service.]

**3. EVENING HOME GROUPS @ the Allens, the Bells, and the Carrolls.**

### **SUNDAY Schedule for October 26:**

**1. 9:30am-** Sunday School Bible Study and Small Group Fellowship

**2. 10:45am-** Morning Worship / Children's Church

### **3. NOON FELLOWSHIP MEAL**

### **4. 1:00pm- Early Afternoon Service**

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