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SUNDAY

Bible Study.....9:30 a.m.
 Worship.....10:20 a.m.
 Worship.....5:00 p.m.

WEDNESDAY

Bible Study.....7:00 p.m.

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ON THE HOME FRONT

We are glad to have each one with us here at the Getwell church of Christ. We are a very loving family and we are so excited for what we all have planned together. There are several ongoing Bible studies, which as we studied Sunday morning, will produce fruit (Luke 8:11). When I think of the church as a family, I am reminded that in our physical families, we will at times have spats and disagreements, but at the end of the day, we realize the need and the love that we have for one another. It is so good to be encouraged by all those who are with us. We love one another and want to help each other go to Heaven.

As we work together, we should have attitudes like those in the first century:

And all that believed were together, and had all things common; And sold their possessions and goods, and parted them to all *men*, as every man had need. And they, continuing daily with one accord in the temple, and breaking bread from house to house, did eat their meat with gladness and singleness of heart, praising God, and having favour with all the people. And the Lord added to the church daily such as should be saved (Acts 2:44-47).

Let us always strive to be working for the Lord. You never know when a good deed may open the door for a Bible study.

Bradley Smith

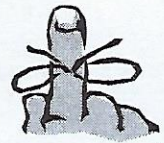
From The Desk Of Bradley Smith

What Can I Do When Everything is Going Wrong?

We have all been there before. It seems like everything is going wrong. Nothing can go your way. The world is beating you up. Where do you turn? What can be a source of comfort in times of trouble? These may all seem like common sense solutions, but they are so obvious for a reason.

- 1. Pray about it.** God has given us the privilege of prayer for a reason. Jesus prayed during difficult times (Mat. 26:39). You can pray at any time (1 The. 5:17). Paul makes constant mention of his prayer life (Rom. 1:8, 1 Cor. 1:4, Phi. 1:3, Col. 1:3, 1 The. 1:2, 2 The. 1:3, 2 Tim. 1:3, Phile. 4.). God has promised that He will never leave us or forsake us (Heb. 13:5).
- 2. Study about it.** God's Word is the ultimate Source of comfort. God is described as the God of comfort (2 Cor. 1:3-4). Even when life seems dark, we can read about the hope of Heaven and be comforted (John 14:1-6, 1 Pet. 1:3-5, etc.).
- 3. Reach out to others for help.** The greatest encouragers this side of Heaven are our brothers and sisters in Christ. We should be edifying one another (Eph. 4:16). Study the missionary journeys of Paul in the book of Acts. See how often he was surrounded by those who would help him through difficult times.

RON'S REMINDERS



Weed Killer for the Soul

It is that time of year again! The time of year where we all start to get things cleaned up. Winter can cause us to remain indoors and hibernate like the bears but when the weather starts to turn warmer, we all get out and start doing our annual cleanup. People begin to remove dead plants, clean out their gutters, pressure wash their houses, and many other things to make their houses ready for the bright and beautiful spring weather. Spring cleaning is what most call these types of events.

For many, their yards is what they want people to see when they first approach their house. As spring approaches, people are replacing plants, planting colorful flowers, and adding flowering trees to their yards. But, the most important part of their yards is their grass.

During the winter months, weeds and junk grass have begun to sneak into their yards. The natural and beautiful grass is starting to turn green but with the weeds, the yard simply does not look as good as it is capable of looking.

The first thing people decide to do is remove the weeds. A quick trip to their local hardware store or nursery helps them to gather the materials needed to treat their lawns so these weeds die out quickly. These yard enthusiasts know that if they let the weeds in their yards grow and do not take care of them quickly, they will soon overtake the yard and destroy the healthy grass and could even destroy their plants and flowers.

Sometimes we all need to take a good look at ourselves and see if we need to do some type of

spring cleaning as well. Luckily, for us, we do not have to wait until the spring to do it. It can be done any time of the year no matter what the circumstance may be.¹ For many, this past year has been tough and sin has crept into their life unintentionally. Like the weeds in a yard, one small sin enters into their routine and soon that sin spreads. It spreads so much that it tends to overtake the Godly values that one presented and now they portray more of the sinful lifestyle.

What do you need to do when sin creeps into your life and starts to overtake your spiritual walk? Simple-- you turn to God and ask Him to help. God is the ultimate weed killer for our souls. With the help of our Christian brothers and sisters, the weeds that are present in our spiritual walk can be treated and removed. Each person must monitor his individual situation each day and take whatever action is appropriate to help maintain his walk with Christ. 1 John 4:4 reminds us that there is someone greater than the world, "Little children, you are from God and have overcome them, for He who is in you is greater than he who is in the world."

Are you overtaken with weeds in your spiritual life? Have you let a little sin develop into a sinful lifestyle? Are you simply wanting to prepare yourself and build a barrier for those worldly sins that draw people away? If you are, remember there is only one person who can save you. That is our amazing God through His Son.

Brandon Brooks, Think Magazine March 2021