

# *Shore Lines of the Northfield Church of Christ*

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Our YouTube Channel: [NORTHFIELD CHURCH OF CHRIST](https://www.youtube.com/channel/UC...)



**Sunday AM Services Streaming @ 9:30AM.**

**Sunday Evening message @ 6:00PM**

***"A Refuge In The Times of Trouble."***

(click on YouTube link below to follow)

**[NORTHFIELD CHURCH OF CHRIST](https://www.youtube.com/channel/UC...)**

**Wednesday Bible Study: ZOOM with Steve Robertson @ 6:30PM**

- Please observe good distancing inside the building & sit only in designated pews.
- **Masks Are Mandatory @ All Times.**
- If you feel that you are at high risk or are feeling ill, please stay home.

## ***WE BELIEVE WE MUST...***

**Hear-** the Word of God (Romans 10:17)

**Believe-** that Jesus is the Son of God (Mark 16:16)

**Repent-** of our sins (Acts 2:38)

**Confess-** Jesus as the Son of God (Acts 8:37)

**Be Immersed-** in water for the remission of sins & to be added to the church  
(Acts 2:38, 41, 47)

**Live Faithfully-** by the teachings of the Bible (Luke 9:23).

# How Well Are You Sleeping?

How quickly do you fall asleep? According to a recent study, there are a lot of reasons why it might take us some time to fall asleep. Some of the most popular reasons are replaying the day's events, being too hot or too cold, caffeine, or back pain. According to this same study done by OnePoll, a market research company, the most common reason for lost sleep is anxiety about tomorrow.

This brings to mind the lyrics from the hymn *"Living by Faith"*. James Wells wrote these lyrics in 1918, *"I care not today what the morrow may bring, if shadow or sunshine or rain, the Lord I know ruleth o'er everything, and all of my worry is vain."* Anxiety over the events of tomorrow is a worry or deep concern about which we have very little control. Jesus addressed this in His Sermon on the Mount. "And who of you by being worried can add a single hour to his life?...So do not worry about tomorrow; for tomorrow will care for itself. Each day has enough trouble of its own" (**Matt. 6:27, 34**). Worry is not productive for solving problems or perceived problems. Worrying about things that haven't happened yet is even less productive. When we worry about tomorrow, we assume we know what will happen. In doing so, we negate the providence of God and take away energies or sleep that should be focused on today's events.

Faith is a great source of comfort for us. It removes the day-to-day worries and concerns that might otherwise overwhelm us. There was one particular event in the life of Christ that highlights this concept. When Jesus was with His disciples on the water and the storm came up, the disciples feared for their lives (**Matt. 8:25**). Jesus was awakened by the disciples as He was sleeping through the storm (**Matt. 8:24-25**). When Jesus awoke, He rebuked the disciples for their lack of faith and then calmed the storm (**Matt. 8:26**). After calming the storm, He might have gone back to sleep. There are two observations that can be made from this event. *One*, they were all in the same boat and same storm. The conditions of all the individuals were the same. *Two*, it was the understanding of

Who was in control that allowed One to sleep and the others to panic. *Jesus'* comment concerning their lack of faith was the determining factor as to how they responded differently to the same set of circumstances. Faith puts things into perspective and allows for *"the peace of God, which surpasses all comprehension"* to *"guard your hearts and your minds,"* and in this case, your sleep also.

One caveat, I am speaking to those dealing with common anxiety or worry, not anxiety disorders. It takes more than faith to work through mental disorders. However, they shouldn't be used as an excuse, badge, or reason for attention. We should be working to be molded into the image of Christ.

January 31, 2021 Article  
By Josh Blackmer



Palm Beach Lakes  
CHURCH OF CHRIST



## SERVING TODAY

**Song Leader:** Bro Lee Christensen

**Announcements/YouTube:** Bro Mike Walsh

**Opening Prayer:** Bro Russell Weems

**Communion:** Bro Bill Wills

**Sermon:** Bro Mark Seim

**Closing Prayer:** Bro Bart Diguglielmo

## WORSHIP ORDER

**Call to Worship**

**Announcements**

**Opening Prayer**

**Hymn**

**Lords Super (Santa Cena)**

**Hymn**

**Scripture-**1 Corinthians 1:2 & 1 Corinthians 6:11

**Sermon Lesson-** *The Significance of Being A Christian By Being Consecrated*

**Invitational Hymn**

**Hymn**

**Closing Prayer**

## **CONGREGATIONAL NOTES**

- Our annual congregational meeting to vote for trustees will not take place.
- **IN LIEU OF VOTING FOR TRUSTEES THIS YEAR IT WAS SUGGESTED AT OUR LAST BUSINESS MEETING TO CARRY THE PRESENT TRUSTEES FOR 2021. PLEASE RESPOND TO ME @ [LCHISTENSEN88@COMCAST.NET](mailto:LCHISTENSEN88@COMCAST.NET) IF YOU ARE IN FAVOR. Thank you, Lee.**
- The Food Bank is open and available to those in need. Please bring in non-perishable items to help keep it stocked.

### Simple Rules for Bible Study

**P**repare your heart.

**A**sk God to speak to you.

**U**npack the passage.

**S**ummarize the scripture.

**E**xercise the application.

## **THE SIGNIFICANCE OF BEING A CHRISTIAN BY BEING CONSECRATED TO GOD**

*1 Corinthians 1:2 & 1 Corinthians 6:11*

**Introduction...** The first three parts of this series about "*The Significance Of Being A Christian*" said this. (1) *A Christian is a reborn person*, (2) *A Christian belongs to God*, (3) *A Christian lives by faith*. This morning, we will take a look at another significant fact about being a Christian, This aspect of Christianity is all about being consecrated or sanctified in the Lord. These terms, which are used interchangeably, mean "*to make holy*" or to "*set apart for a special purpose*." We will hopefully learn that this pertains to both our **standing** before God and our **conduct** before God.

- I. The Progress Of Sanctification
  - A. All Christians Are Sanctified
    1. 1 Cor1:2, 1 Cor.6:11
    2. Rom.1:7; Phil.1:2
  - B. Christians Are Also "Being" Sanctified
    1. Heb.2:11; 1 Thess.5:23
    2. 1 Pet.1:15-6
- II. The Process Of Sanctification
  - A. Sanctification Is The Work Of The Holy Spirit
    1. Rom.15:16; 1 Cor.6:11; 1 Pet.1:2
    2. 1 Cor.6:19-20
    3. Eph.3:16
  - B. Sanctification Is Also The Work Of The Word Of God
    1. Jn.17:17; Eph.5:26
    2. Rom.8:5
    3. Gal.5:16-23

**Conclusion...** When a Christian understands that he or she is reborn, belongs to the Lord and is living by faith, they should have no trouble accepting the idea that they are also "sanctified to God." This tells us that God has blessed us to be a part of a "holy nation..." He has called us to holiness because He is holy. Having sanctified us, He desires to sanctify us **completely**. He does this because He wants to dwell among us. It is our job to attempt to perfect holiness as we love the Lord.

# AMEN!

## **THOUGHT OF THE WEEK:**

*"**TODAY** is a wonderful day to have a wonderful day!" "Dream your dreams with your eyes closed, but live your dreams with your eyes open." COPIED!*

*LIFE is like a CAMERA just focus on what's important & capture the good times; DEVELOP from the negatives & if things don't work out JUST take another SHOT!....COPIED!*

*If you receive a card, note or even a phone call from a sister or brother don't ignore them, they were thinking of you. They took the time out of their day to check on you or just to say hello and you decided to ignore them or you don't want to respond to them. There are some of us who do work and have other obligations, but we do have at least 5 minutes in a day or by us not doing so we are telling each other how we feel about them. I include myself in this category, so I am not passing judgment! We are **ALL** guilty of being remised on this issue, but we need to do better.*

## **VERSE OF THE WEEK:**

### **Hebrews 4:16**

*"Let us then with confidence draw near to the throne of grace, that we may receive mercy and find grace to help in time of need."*

### **Psalms 143:1-2**

*Hear my prayer, O Lord, give ear to my supplications: in thy faithfulness answer me, and in thy righteousness. (2) And enter not into judgment with thy servant: for in thy sight shall no man living be justified.*

## **PREACHERS CORNER**

*It is good to be back and preaching the Sunday morning sermon. Thanks to Bill for the fine lessons and the preparation it took to present them. Please consult your bulletins to see the folks that are on our prayer list and include them in your prayers. "The prayer of a righteous man is powerful and effective." (Jas.5:16). Thanks to Mike Walsh for all the work he does on our "live-streaming," our website and the putting together of the Sunday PM service. This week's PM service lesson will be "A Refuge In The Times of Trouble." Thanks to Terri who has kept our bulletin boards in the fellowship room up to date, and tends to our Facebook Page. Thanks to Melissa for helping with the bulletin. Pray that the COVID pandemic will run its course and we can return to a sense of normalcy. To all those who are choosing to not attend AM Sunday services, we pray that you staying up to date with the services through You Tube and the live-streaming.*

*Love...mark...Phil.4:11*

**HAPPY FEBRUARY  
BIRTHDAYS & ANNIVERSARIES**



# *Keep in Your Prayers*



**PLEASE CONTINUE TO PRAY FOR ALL WHO WERE NOT MENTIONED IN THE BULLETIN OR WHO YOU MAY KNOW WHO NEED PRAYERS!!!**

## **OUR MEMBERS:**

- Jared and Natalie as they continue to recover from COVID

## **FRIENDS & RELATIVES:**

- Amie Harris request prayers for her friends; Tazz, who has been diagnosed with liver cancer & Her friend Leti's daughter who tested positive for COVID.
- Ron Clevenger's son Seth, so the doctors can find out what is wrong with him.
- Allan Crabb has been diagnosed with pneumonia. He is in Mainland hospital.
- Keep Mark and Jane's friend Pat in your prayers.
- Jane's sister (Marty) and her husband (Charley) as they continue to recover from Covid-19.
- Keep MJ's friend Pat in your prayers.
- Bill's (B-I-L) Bruce has a spot on his lungs it might be cancer.
- Melida's oldest son and his family contracted the virus along with her brother's family.

## **CONGREGATION CONTINUAL PRAYERS:**

- Zambia (Continued Relief)
- Cape May Courthouse Church of Christ
- D.R.- Ministry (Growth)
- El Salvador Church of Christ

\*\*\*\*\***FIND COVID-19 TESTING SITES**\*\*\*\*\*

**[WALGREENS.COM/CORONAVIRUS](https://www.walgreens.com/coronavirus)**

**[ACLINK.ORG](https://amlink.org)**

All New Jerseyans can pre-register for vaccines at this time. **[Visit covid19.nj.gov/vaccine](https://covid19.nj.gov/vaccine)** to pre-register, see if you are eligible for the vaccine, and find a vaccination site near you.