

# *Shore Lines of the Northfield Church of Christ*

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**Sunday AM Services Streaming @ 9:30AM** (Click for link)

**Sunday Evening Message "Bringers" @ 6:00PM** (click for link)

**Wednesday Bible Zoom Study: "Ezekiel" w/ Steve Robertson @ 6:30PM.**

- Please observe good distancing inside the building & sit only in designated pews.
- **Masks Are Mandatory.**
- 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)*

**BAPTISM (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).*

# What's The Answer?

By [Allen Jones](#) in [Weekly Encouragement](#)  
April 24, 2021

It seems there is no end in sight in our world and society when it comes to conflict and division. Sin separates us from God but also creates conflict with humanity. As I type, our government is divided on just about all issues and our country continues to brace for division and protests. We live in a wonderful country that promotes debate and discussion. We also live in a country where broken homes are prevalent, and generations are growing up divided without any or very little concept of unity. More and more generations move into adulthood knowing more about how to argue “*the question*” but have very little concept of “*the answer*.”

The answer to our problems and all problems is Jesus Christ ([John 14:6](#)). While a disgruntled and disheartened population moves about within our great country's borders, Christ should rule our heart!

The world teaches us about barriers, Scripture teaches us about bridges. A pathway to reconciliation is

founded on a desire to receive the crown of life ([Revelation 2:10b](#)).

We should grow our families, ourselves, and society based on the unity found in Scripture:

- One body– [Ephesians 4:4](#)
- One Spirit– [Ephesians 4:4](#)
- One hope– [Ephesians 4:4](#)
- One Lord– [Ephesians 4:5](#)
- One faith– [Ephesians 4:5](#)
- One baptism– [Ephesians 4:5](#)
- One God & Father of all– [Ephesians 4:6](#)

Seeing world leaders, government leaders, and our citizenry struggle with unrest is painful. But knowing Jesus wants us to treat others with love is motivating.

When we focus on Christ, we take our eyes off conflict. We can have “oneness” when we realize the only One that can solve our problems is Jesus Christ. When we realize this, we will have the Answer.



## **SERVING TODAY**

**Announcements:** Bro Mike Walsh

**Song Leader:** Bro Lee Christensen

**Opening Prayer:** Bro Ron Clevenger

**Communion:** Bro Bill Wills

**Sermon:** Bro Mark Seim

**Closing Prayer:** Bro Javier Perez

## **Worship Order**

**Call to Worship (Himno)**

**Announcements**

**Opening Prayer (Oracion)**

**Hymn (Himno)**

**Lord's Supper (Santa Cena)**

**Hymn (Himno)**

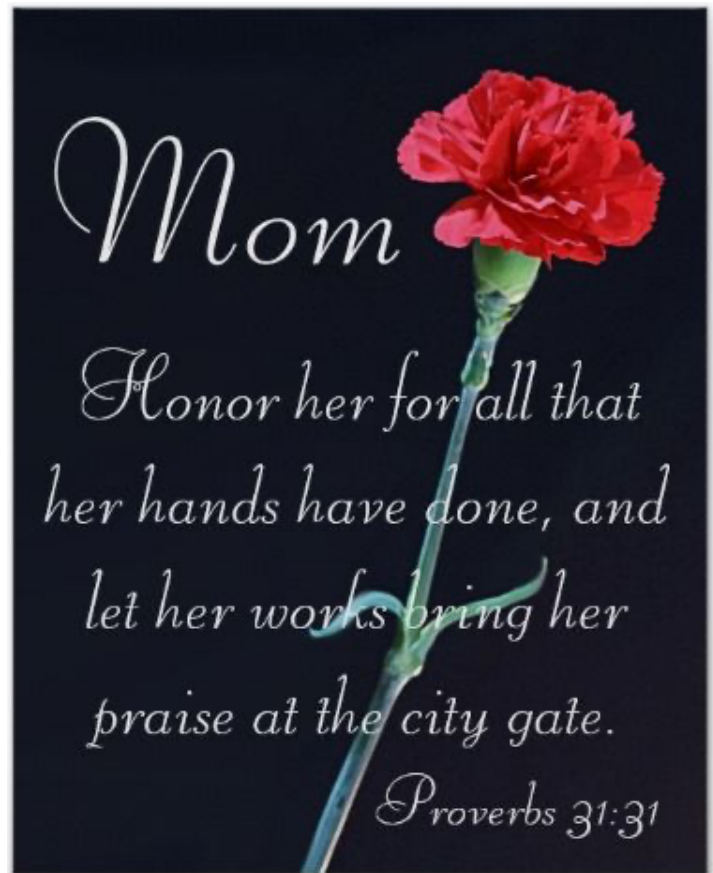
**Reading-** 1 Thessalonians 5:17

**Sermon-** *God's Will For Us Is To Pray Without Ceasing*

**Invitational Hymn (Himno)**

**Closing Hymn (Himno)**

**Closing Prayer (Oracion)**



## **CONGREGATIONAL NOTES**

- **FYI...**We are looking to startup our Sunday Morning Bible class in the beginning of June. Class will start @ 0930 and end @1010; Worship services will start at 1030. We will announce our topic of study and the exact date that we plan to begin.
- Next Men's prayer meeting May 27th.
- Food Bank is open and available to those in need. Please bring in non-perishable items to help keep it stocked.
- Also there is a portable clothing rack in the kitchen area in which you can bring in clothing you wish to share.



## **Epilogue: The Wife of Noble Character Proverbs 31: 25-31**

*...she is clothed in fine linen and purple.  
Her husband is respected at the city gate,  
where he takes his seat among the elders of  
the land.*

*She makes linen garments and sells them,  
and supplies the merchants with sashes.  
She is clothed with strength and dignity;  
she can laugh at the days to come.*

*She speaks with wisdom,  
and faithful instruction is on her tongue.  
She watches over the affairs of her  
household*

*and does not eat the bread of idleness.  
Her children arise and call her blessed;  
her husband also, and he praises her:*

*"Many women do noble things,  
but you surpass them all."*

*Charm is deceptive, and beauty is fleeting;  
but a woman who fears the LORD is to be  
praised.*

*Honor her for all that her hands have done,  
and let her works bring her praise at the city  
gate.*

# **GOD'S WILL FOR US IS...**

## ***TO PRAY WITHOUT CEASING***

**Introduction...** Last week we touched on the important aspect of our relationship with God being that we are to **rejoice always**... In today's verse we find another pivotal aspect of God's will for us, and that is to ***pray without ceasing***. This morning, we are going to learn about the importance of prayer. It is so important, that we are all to do it *without ceasing*...

### **I. GOD WANTS US TO PRAY WITHOUT CEASING**

#### **A. According To Jesus Christ**

1. Lk.11:5-10; 18:1-8

#### **B. According to the Apostle Paul**

1. Thess.5:17, Rom.12:12, Eph,6:18
2. Col.4:2, Phil.4:6

### **II. WE NEED TO PRAY WITHOUT CEASING...**

#### **A. To Praise God**

1. Matt.6:9, Eph.3:20-21

#### **B. For God's Will**

1. Matt.6:10

#### **C. For Daily Needs**

1. Matt.6:11, Matt.6:25-34

#### **D. For Forgiveness**

1. Matt.6:12, 1 Jn.1:7-10, Acts 8:22

#### **E. For Protection**

1. Matt.6:13

#### **F. For Peace of Mind**

1. Phil.4:6-7

#### **G. For Empowerment**

1. Eph.3:14-16, 20

#### **H. For Opportunity**

1. 2 Cor.2:12, Col.4:3

#### **I. For Boldness**

1. Acts 4:23-31

#### **J. For Wisdom**

1. Jas.1:5-8

#### **K. For Healing**

1. Jas.5:14-15

#### **L. For Tranquility**

1. Dan.4:17, 1 Tim.2:1-2

#### **M. To Thank God**

1. Col.4:2

### **III. HOW WE CAN PRAY WITHOUT CEASING**

#### **A. What it means to Pray Without Ceasing**

#### **B. Establish set Times to Pray**

1. Psa.55:17, Dan.6:10

#### **C. Engage in Spontaneous Prayer**

1. 1 Chron.5:20, Neh.2:4-5, Acts 16:25

**Conclusion...** Both praying at set times and spontaneously are great, as they both help to develop a "*mental attitude of prayerfulness*." We should pray without ceasing because the privilege of prayer was made possible by Jesus, and because of the power of prayer to obtain mercy and find grace to help. It is the will of God for us to "*pray without ceasing*," that we might enjoy both the privilege and power of prayer in our lives.

## **THOUGHT OF THE WEEK**

**FRIENDS**---What does this word mean to you? We sing the song “What a friend we have in Jesus”, but do we really know what that word really means? Jesus is a friend who never lost a case and HE can save us by HIS grace. Jesus has been there when no one else had time for us. HE listens to us when no one else does, HE knows our wants, needs, desires and wants the best for us all the time. HE wants to be around us all the time by reading our Bible. And all HE wants us to do is give HIM the reverence and praise HE deserves and paid a heavy price.

## **SCRIPTURES OF THE WEEK**

John 15:12-15

Proverbs 18:24

John 15:13

Ruth 1:16

John 13:34-35



## **Hello Everyone,**

We give thanks that Andy Figueroa's son was released from the hospital after heart valve surgery this week. We are still awaiting on more complete results from Elizabeth Estevez's surgery this past Friday. Dennis Cox, part of the Cronin family, that visits us each summer was doing a bit better this past week. They had another MRI done to see if the brain tumor had stabilized. All of these families are grateful for the prayers we have offered on their behalf.

**HAPPY MOTHER' DAY** to all the moms out there and the memories of our moms. This evening's PM lesson will be entitled “*Bringers*”. We had a productive business meeting this past Tuesday evening. Jane will be leaving on Tuesday to spend some time with her siblings in Kansas. Please pray that she has a safe journey there and back home.

# 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**

- Andy's son released from the hospital and is recovering well at home.
- Elizabeth is in the hospital recovering and undergoing physical therapy.
- Continue prayers for Robin who suffering with health issues.
- Keep Melida in your prayers' she is suffering from leg pain.
- Keep Debbie R in your prayers she is also suffering with back pain.

## **FRIENDS & RELATIVES**

- Mark & Jane' granddaughter (Athena)
- Ron' mother and son Seth
- Bill' friend Bruce is still being monitored for his health.
- MJ' friend Pat
- Mark & Jane' friend Pat
- Mark & Jane; (S-I-L) Freddy' co-worker
- Aimie' sister first pregnancy, her friend Tazz who has been diagnosed with liver cancer.

## **CONGREGATION CONTINUAL PRAYERS**

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

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