

**2021
Stronger Than Ever**

**Dealing With Discouragement-
John 16:31-33**

Introduction: Everyone deals with discouragement from one time or another.

I. BIBLICAL EXAMPLES

- A. ELIJAH -1Ki 19:1-18
- B. John the Baptist -Lk 7:19-23

II. CAUSES OF DISCOURAGEMENT

- A. PHYSICAL ILLNESS
- B. LOSS OF MATERIAL POSSESSIONS
 - 1. Example of Job -1:13-21
- C. FRIENDS CAN TURN AGAINST US

III. THINGS TO REMEMBER IN OVERCOMING DISCOURAGEMENT:

- A. REMEMBER OUR STRENGTH
 - 1. Reading the word -1Pe 2:2; He 4:12-14
 - 2. Prayer -Mk 1:35; 1Th 5:17; Lk 18:1
 - 3. Fellowship -Heb 10:24, 25
- B. REMEMBER TO BE STEADFAST
 - 1. God wants us to use the abilities He has given -Ep 4:11-16
 - 2. Continue pressing on to the goal -Ph 3:12-14
- C. REMEMBER WE ARE NEVER ALONE
 - 1. Jesus never leaves us, nor forsakes us -Mt 28:20; He 13:5
 - 2. No one can stand against us when God is with us -Ro 8:31
- D. DISCOURAGEMENT IS TEMPORARY
 - 1. "...weeping may endure for a night, but joy comes in the morning." -Ps 30:5

Conclusion

Ultimate success is ours if we do not quit -Rev. 2:10

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SCHEDULE

Sunday

Bible Classes for all ages 9:30 a.m.
 Morning Worship 10:30 a.m.
 Evening Worship 5:00 p.m.

Tuesday

Ladies Prayer Service on hiatus

Wednesday

Bible Classes for all ages 6:30 p.m.

ELDERS AND STAFF

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OPPORTUNITIES TO SERVE

Bible Hour
 Kim Bower

ELDER FOR July Eric Bliss
 LADIES COMMITTEE FOR July Shelli Donald

WEEK OF JULY 11TH, 2021

Bible Class	AM Worship	PM Worship	Wed. Class	Offering
34	51	14	16	\$2859



JULY 11TH, 2021

Order Of Worship
 Song Leader: Ryan Bliss

Welcome.....Eric Bliss

20 All Hail the Power of Jesus Name
 244 Be Still and Know

Prayer.....Kevin Thompson

125 Do You Know My Jesus

Lord's Supper.....Dave Gastellum

673 Thine is the Glory

Offering.....Bob Murray

977 The Battle Belongs to the Lord

Scripture Reading.....Mike Cottam

Morning Service....."Dealing With Discouragement"
 David House

(New Book) In Christ Alone
 760 Who Will Follow Jesus

Closing Prayer.....Jimmy Williams

PM Service.....5PM

WHAT'S HAPPENING THIS WEEK

July 11th Morning Class @ 9:30
Worship @ 10:30 AM

14th Wednesday evening class @ 6:30PM

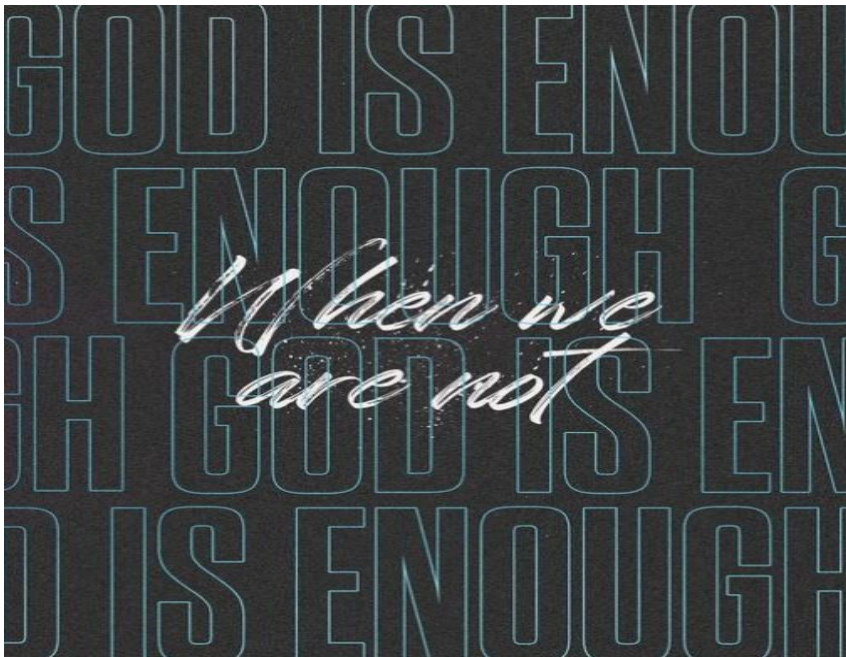
17th Men's breakfast @ Tom's @ 8:30

VACATION

Roy Senior is on vacation this week. David House will be speaking in his absence.

POTUCK AND FAREWELL NEXT WEEK

Next Sunday after morning services is our monthly potluck. It is also a farewell to Cliff Downing as he moves to Texas. Please come and share a meal and give him a proper sendoff! We will miss you Cliff! There will be a short devo directly following the potluck and this will conclude services for the day.



Share Carol's Pantry with someone in need.

Come shop Jinny's Closet!

PRAYER IS IMPORTANT

-Jan Hayes asked for prayers for her daughter **Shawna**. She was recently diagnosed with breast cancer and will be having surgery this Thursday. Please keep her and the family in your prayers.

-Ethel Johnson asked for prayers on behalf of **Liz Thompson's** grandson **Nathan**, who has suffered 6 seizures and was transported to the hospital. Please keep him & the family in your prayers as the specialist works to find the cause.

-Laura Crownover asked for prayers for her friend **Dana's** mom **Ruth**. She suffered a stroke Wednesday. Please keep this family in your prayers.

-Shannon Cottam is traveling soon for a seminar. Please keep her in your prayers for safe travel and for **Mike** as he is alone.

-Etta Breen is need of prayers for healing. Please keep her in your prayers.

-Loretta Bower is traveling for a couple of weeks visiting family. Please keep her in your prayers for safe travel and blessed visits.

-Roy Senior is traveling back from a family reunion. Please keep him in your prayers.

-Tracy Bower's friend **Naomi** & her husband got good news this past week. Please keep this family in your prayers as they go through this pregnancy to full term.

-Alora Cottam asked for prayers for her son **Rick**. He continues to have tough days.

Please remember **Peyton, Jerry & Sandy Hopkins** great granddaughter as they prepare for yet another heart surgery the 13th of August.

Please keep **Dorothy Cunningham** in your prayers as she prepares for her transplant surgery soon. Please keep **Bill** in your prayers as he cares of her.

Please remember **Judith Scharnagel** and her daily struggles and her health issues.

-Andrea Hancock requested prayers for an issue she is having with her eyesight, Please keep her in your prayers.

THOUGHT FOR TODAY

There is nothing more important than this moment!

SCRIPTURE FOR TODAY

Yet you do not know what your life will be like tomorrow. For you are just a vapor that appears for a little while, and then vanishes away. ~James 4:14

ENCOURAGING WORDS

Jesus is the Summary of the Bible

Sometimes when someone is reading through the Bible, they may think that Jesus is "a New Testament character who doesn't really have a strong presence in or connection to the Old Testament." However, after they spend more time in both the Old Testament and the New Testament, hopefully they will begin to see that their initial conclusion was far from reality. In fact, Jesus Christ is the **summary** of the entire Bible, from beginning to end. Let us consider just a few connections that Scripture makes between Jesus and the Old Testament.

Jesus believed the Old Testament. While Jesus was living on this earth, He referenced the Old Testament quite often. In Luke 4, He talked about Elijah, the widow of Zarephath and Naaman the leper (**4:25-27**). He also talked about Jonah (**Matt. 12:39-41**), the burning bush (**Luke 20:37**), the brazen serpent (**John 3:14**), and too many others to name. Jesus believed everything that was written in the Old Testament.

Jesus fulfilled the Old Testament. Early in His ministry, He said that He had come "to fulfill" the Law and the Prophets (**Matt. 5:17**), and at the end of His ministry He assured that "*all things must be fulfilled which were written in the Law of Moses and the Prophets and the Psalms concerning Me*" (**Luke 24:44**).

Jesus took away the binding law of the Old Testament. In doing the will of God, He came to "take away the first," in order to "establish the second" (**Heb. 10:9**), by "having nailed [the first] to the cross" (**Col. 2:14**).

Jesus is the divine communication of God throughout Scripture. John wrote of Jesus: "*In the beginning was the Word*" (**John 1:1**). Jesus is the full revelation of deity to the world, through the Old Testament and the New Testament.

May we stand in awe of His eternal existence and His revelation for mankind!

R. Senior