

Welcome to the church of Christ at Alisal

Sermons for the Lord's Day

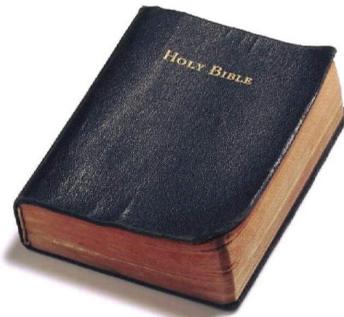
A.M. - About Sanctification #3

P.M. - About Sanctification #4



Announcements Alisal Weekly

1. Wednesday Bible Class - Romans class - chapter 8 #2
please bring your notebooks
2. Wednesday Invitation - Paul
3. Men's Business Meeting, potluck, and early afternoon
worship today.



Prayer List

1. **Sweeti Parichha**- for her study, success in school, her future, her family and especially for here Gospel work!....
2. **Charles Barry** - for his physical therapy going well.
3. **Beverly Pereira** - for recovery from the flu.
4. **Norma Decker** - for stronger faith in Jesus and better health.
5. **Rosemarie Johnson** - for relief from her health problems
6. **Bobby Glover** - for strong faith and teaching those he is with.
7. **David Smith** - for better attendance.
8. **Michael White** - for success at truck driving school and service to the Lord.
9. **David & Vicki Ryal** - for good health and David's return to the pulpit.
10. **Evelyn Cruz** - for her daughter Chane and her medical difficulties.
11. **The Lord's church** - for stronger dedication from the members.

"YOU HAVE NOT PASSED THIS WAY BEFORE"

Raymond Elliott

The great leader, Moses, had died and the Lord God had chosen the faithful warrior, Joshua, to be the leader of the children of Israel. They were encamped on the east side of the River of Jordan and the time had come for them to cross over the River of Jordan and into the land of 'milk and honey', the land of Canaan. God had assured Joshua several times that He would be with him as he was about to enter the promised land (Joshua 1:6-9).

In Joshua 3, the priest, carrying the ark of the covenant, were to lead the people across the River of Jordan and into the land that God had promised to Abraham (Genesis 12:1-3). Joshua, in charging the people to follow the priest at a certain distance, said this to the people, "FOR YOU HAVE NOT PASSED THIS WAY BEFORE" (Emphasis, RE). The children of Israel were about to enter a land they did not know.

As we enter this new year of 2019, it could also be said of us, "For you have not passed this way before." We do not know what this new year will bring. It might be weal or woe, sadness or happiness, life or death, success or failure, etc. For the child of God, we should read what God said to Joshua and to know that basically He tells us the same: "Be strong and of good courage", "Be strong and of good courage; do not be afraid, nor be dismayed, for the Lord you God is with you wherever you go" (Joshua 1:6, 9). In Hebrews 13:5, we read, "Let your conduct be without covetousness; be content with such things as you have. For He Himself has said, "I will never leave you nor forsake you." Because we are children of God, this is the blessed assurance we have in our Lord. Here are some suggestions that will strengthen you as you enter the uncharted course in this new year of 2017:

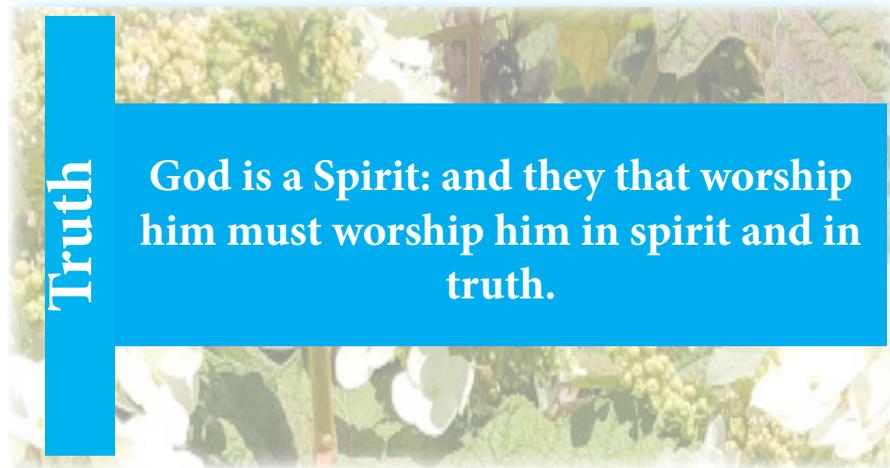
Trust in the Lord with all your heart (Proverbs 3:5, 6).
Love God with all your heart, soul and mind (Mark 12:30).
Love your brethren and your neighbors (John 13:34, 35; Mark 12:30).
Do good to all men and especially your brothers and sisters in Christ (Galatians 6:10).
Attend the assemblies of the church to worship God and to exhort/edify/build up one another in the most holy faith (John 4:23, 24; Hebrews 10:24, 25).
Be steadfast in prayer (Romans 12:12; 1 Thessalonians 5:17).
Increase your knowledge of the Word of God by reading and studying it daily (Psalm 1:1-3; 119:97; Matthew 4:4).

I close this article with the words of the apostle Peter as found in 2 Peter 1:10, 11: "Therefore, brethren, be even more diligent to make your call and election sure, for if you do these thing you will never stumble; for so an entrance will be supplied to you abundantly into the everlasting kingdom of our Lord and Savior Jesus Christ."



Where does it say this in the Bible?

Answer to last weeks question... Luke 5:32



THE COMMUNITY CHURCH MOVEMENT

Dennis Gullledge

In recent years studious brethren have wondered what the fall-out will be from the liberalism that is currently sweeping the brotherhood. In 1906 there was census recognition of the formal separation between churches of Christ and Christian Churches. Some have wondered what form the next division between truth and error will take.

That division appears to be in the making with the development of the new community church movement. In the October 2000 issue of The Spiritual Sword Alan Highers surveys the options that are available to change agents as they manifest their dissatisfaction with the church. He says, first, "They can leave as some did in earlier years." In 1966, with the publication of Voices Of Concern, these malcontents to sound doctrine had the dignity to leave that with which they took issue. Second, "They could stay and work from within." This has been the modus operandi of the old Crossroads/Boston movement over the years. Third, "...separate and form what is usually styled 'a community church.'" Highers writes, "Such bodies have been described as 'loosely affiliated with the Church of Christ.'" The founders and members of these churches generally maintain ties with churches of Christ but tend to conceal these connections from the community and from the target audience they are seeking to influence." They went out from us, but they were not of us; for if they had been of us, they would no doubt have continued with us: but they went out, that they might be made manifest that they were not all of us (1 Jn. 2:19).

December 30, 2018

Jesus saith unto him, I am the way, the truth, and the life: no man cometh unto the Father, but by me.

John 14:6



Meeting Days and Times

Sunday 9:00 am Class - 10:00 am & 5:00 pm Worship

Wednesday Bible Class, singing & prayer - 6:30 pm

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