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With Sunny Place Church of God

November, 2018

God is of Infinite Superiority, Majesty and Perfection

“Where can I go from your Spirit? Where can I flee from your presence? If I go up to the heavens, you are there. If I rise on the wings of the dawn, if I settle on the far side of the sea, even there your hand will guide me; your right hand will hold me fast.” Psalm 139:7-10

David eloquently describes God’s omnipresence. Let’s take a look at God, to know His infinitely superior attributes as described in the Holy Bible.

God is global. He is present in all places at all times. He is not limited to one geographic location. God, unlike us, is not limited in space at any moment in time. He is present, near to us every moment. He is spirit. The Apostle Paul accurately describes God’s presence this way, “One God and Father of all who is over all and through all and in all.” Ephesians 4:6.

God is greater. Most of the time it is difficult to wrap our brains around His divine nature. God is all knowing, Omniscient. He knows when He created the earth. He knows all history of all mankind since Adam and Eve, His first creations. So He knows the past in detail. He knows the present. He knows exactly what will happen today. He knows the future. He has a perfect plan for His people, His earth. He knows each one of us. He reads our thoughts. He knows the desire of our hearts. He is intimate with all our needs, our motivations. Nothing is hidden from His view. All things will be brought into the light of day. He hears every word of every prayer whether the prayer is spoken, whispered or a silent prayer in Addison, Singapore, Shanghai, Tokyo, Melbourne, or London simultaneously.

God is all powerful which describes His omnipotence. God’s power is clear. “In the beginning God created heavens and earth.”

Genesis 1:1 “So God created mankind in his own image, in the image of God, he created them; male and female he created them.” Genesis 1:27 God made us in His image, we can make the mistake of thinking the reverse. The error is when we create an image or concept of God in our minds that He is similar to us. This is unworthy of His majesty.

His power is evident in the Holy Bible. For example, the ten plagues, the parting of the Red Sea, feeding the Israelites manna from heaven, the virgin birth of Jesus, Jesus healing the sick, Jesus raising people from the dead, Jesus calming the storm, Jesus walking on water, Jesus being crucified, raised from the dead, being lifted to heaven and empowering us with the Holy Spirit.

The Bible contains 3,566,480 letters, 773,693 words, 31,102 verses, 1,189 chapters and 66 books. The longest chapter is the 119th Psalm, the shortest and middle chapter the 117th Psalm. The middle verse is 8th of the 118th Psalm. The longest name is in the 8th chapter of Isaiah. The word “and” occurs 46,227 times. The word “Jehovah” 6,855 times. The 37th chapter of Isaiah and the 19th chapter of the 2nd book of Kings are alike. The longest verse is the 9th of the 8th chapter of Esther; the shortest verse is the 35th of the 11th chapter of John. The 21st verse of the 7th chapter of Ezra contains all the letters of the alphabet except the letter J. The finest piece of reading is The 26th chapter of Acts. The name of God is

Not mentioned in the book of Esther. The Bible Contains knowledge, Wisdom, holiness and love.

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Our God is greater than all. God is of infinite superiority, majesty, holiness and perfection. He sees all, He is everywhere at any moment in time and He has a personal interest in each of us. "Be still and know that I am God; I will be exalted among the nations, I will be exalted in the earth." Psalm 46:10

Our Knowledge of God

Our concept of God in our minds and spiritual lives is critical. A.W. Tozer said, "That our idea of God correspond as nearly as possible to the true being of God is of immense importance to us." Our lives are a statement of our knowledge of God. For us to live a life worthy of Him, we need to have an accurate image of God. The Apostle Paul wrote about the perverted notions of God, "For although they knew God, they neither glorified him as God nor gave thanks to him, but their thinking became futile and their foolish hearts were darkened." Romans 1:21 With this in mind, it would seem an important task in life is to know God by whom He really is.

The knowledge of God is possible because He wants us to know Him. "Choose instruction instead of silver, knowledge rather than choice gold." Proverbs 8:10 When we surrender our lives to Jesus Christ, declaring Jesus is the Son of God, seek forgiveness with a repentant heart, and welcome the Holy Spirit into our lives, the knowledge of God is revealed. Through our salvation, Jesus Christ enables us to be reconciled with God. The knowledge of God, like salvation is a gift from God. "Paul in First Corinthians teaches that God can be known only as the Holy Spirit performs in the seeking heart an act of self-disclosure." Quote from A.W. Tozer, The Knowledge of the Holy. "All this is from God, who reconciled us to himself through Christ and gave us the ministry of reconciliation." 2 Corinthians 5:18

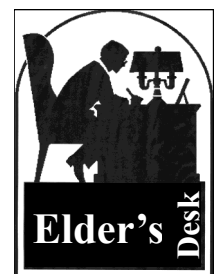
This knowledge of God is not theoretical; we can experience God, the presence of God in our lives. Our

intimacy with Jesus and our faith and trust in Him leads to experiencing Him. "For in him you have been enriched in every way – with all kinds of speech and with all knowledge." 1 Cor. 1:5 The answers to prayer, the leading and guiding of the Holy Spirit, seeing Jesus in the everyday circumstances of our lives are examples of experiencing His presence and power.

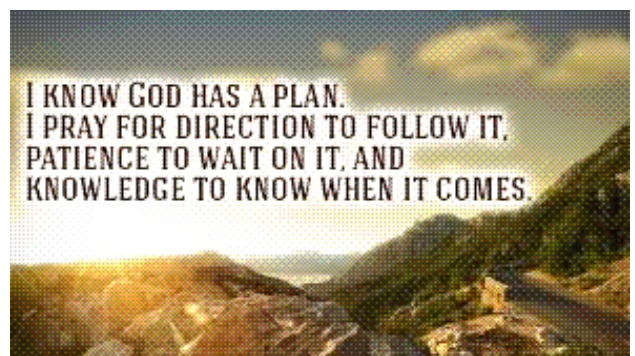
What a mighty God we serve! We can live a life filled with the joy of knowing God, the Father, God the Son and the Holy Spirit. Experiencing His power at work within us. "Now to him who is able to do immeasurably more than all we ask or even imagine, according to his power that is at work within us." Ephesians 3: 21 Whenever we worship, we can correctly be in AWE of Him. God is so willing to embrace us with the knowledge of Him. Let us extol His greatness, pray to Him in deep reverence to His majesty.

"For the Lord is the great God,
The great King above all gods.
In his hands are the depths of the earth
And the mountain peaks belong to him.
Come, let us bow down in worship,
Let us kneel before the Lord our Maker
For he is our God
And we are the people of his pasture,
the flock under his care." Psalm 95: 3,4,6,7

Serving Him in His Glory, Nona



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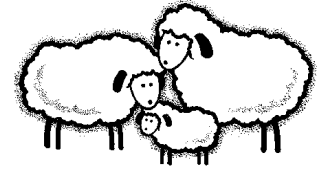
Are you sharing in the exciting and spiritual blessings of studying God's Word and discovering how it applies to your contemporary life?

Join with us in our Adult Study Group at Sunny Place every Thursday at 7:00 p. m.

Grow in the Word!

Sunday Morning Worship 10:45 a.m.

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for children ages five to nine
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2nd Saturday Senior Luncheon

Saturday,
November 10th,
11:30 am

Sunny Place Church

Come be our guest for food, great speakers and activities.

Free event for Seniors 55 & up. Register now at 630/398-2314.



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901 E. Oak Street, Addison, IL 60101

Connecting Families With The Love Of Christ

Elders Minutes of Meeting October 3, 2018

Attended by Pastor Pete Weber, Phyllis Clark, Tim Kasza, Sam Jacob and Nona Koivula

Devotion and prayer: “How great is the love the Father has lavished on us, that we should be called children of God! And that is what we are! The reason the world does not know us is that it did not know him. Dear friends, now we are children of God, and shall be like him, for we shall see him as he is. Everyone who has this hope in him purifies himself, just as he is pure.”

1 John 3:1-3

Ministry Reports

Treasurer: Budget Bank Balance \$539.82 Giving for Sept.\$8,030.98, expenses for Sept. \$12,757.90

Prayer & Worship: There was a meeting Sept 23 where the three teams were scheduled to lead worship for the next three months. The Prayer team is working on a prayer calendar. There is an idea for a Christmas play to be created.

Christian Education & Fellowship: The adult “Apologetics” classes led by the Dimoulis family on Sunday mornings will continue through the remainder of this year. Our church will begin home group fellowship and is looking for host families, willing to open their home for fellowship meetings. There are 8 youth planning to attend the Church of God Youth Convention Nov. 16 - 18. There are fundraising activities planned. On Sunday Oct. 21 after the Sweet Hour of Prayer, there will be pizza and a movie to raise money for the convention.

Pastoral Care & Encouragement: There was a meeting Sept. 30. Cards and flowers are being sent to those in our congregation. Pastoral care is available the second Saturday prior to the Senior Luncheon. There are appreciation and encouragement events planned. The Mission and Vision statements have been renewed and are on the website.

Outreach & Missions: The Senior Luncheons continue, guests are offered prayer cards to address their spiritual needs. They are working on encouragement cards for our missionaries. Children of Promise, Kirk Bookout will be a guest speaker on Sunday Nov. 4th.

Stewardship & Support Services: There was a workday Sept. 13. Tim Kasza contacted Com Ed Energy Efficiency Program, working with Aaron Henderson at Premium Light as the Com Ed service provider for this program. The plan is for Premium Light to replace existing light fixtures with efficient LED lighting. We will receive a total project discount of 53%. The Elders agreed with this program and Tim will proceed.

New and Old Business

- Pastor Pete and Sam Jacob will attend the Pastor’s Fall retreat Oct. 15 &16 at Camp Warren and the General Assembly on Nov. 2 & 3.
- The Ministry team 2019 budgets are due in the church office Nov. 7. The Annual reports are due Dec. 1.
- There will be a Ministry Calendar Planning Meeting for 2019 on Nov.24. Ministry leaders, please plan events for next year and bring to this meeting.

The next Elders meeting will be Nov. 7th

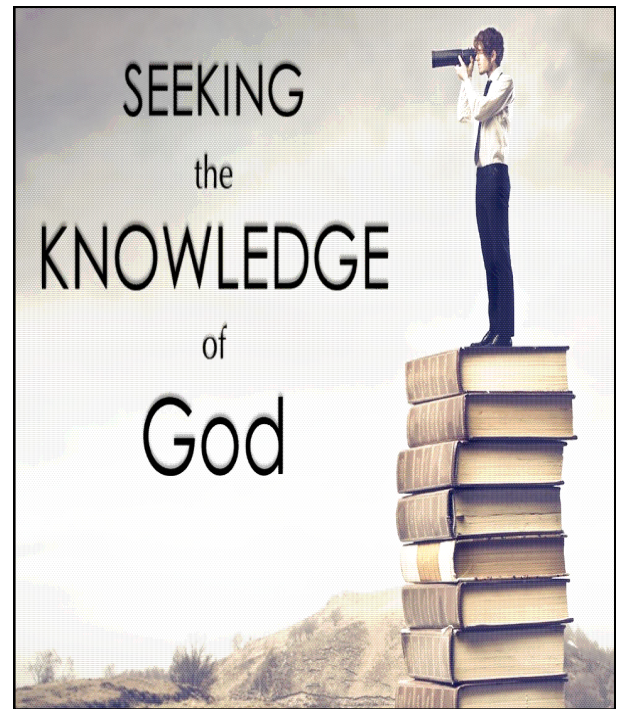


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Seeking The Knowledge of God

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Nery, Peru



Kush, India

CHILDREN OF PROMISE SUNDAY NOVEMBER 4TH

Guest Speaker, Rev. Kirk Bookout, Development Director

Children of Promise, Inc., was established to provide financial assistance for programs to aid needy children in ministries of the Church of God* outside the United States. The ministry desires to have a program in every developing country where the Church of God has functioning congregations.

At present, Children of Promise's purpose is unique within the Church of God Movement. Children are the future leaders of the Church and the communities of the world. Many of them are being denied a promising future because of poverty, lack of education, and disease. Children of Promise is committed to providing assistance in these areas, to introducing each child to Christ, and to providing spiritual nurture. The organization is committed to helping build young lives all over the world that will be physically and spiritually healthy, as well as productive in the Church and community.

Children of Promise opens programs at the request of the national leadership of the Church of God in the country, based on evidenced need. The ministry is designed to be an extension of the local congregation in the village or city. It is designed to provide long-term relationship between the church members and the children and their families, rather than between an organization and a child. It is holistic approach in which we want to impact a child's life over an extended period of time. Driven by 1,000 volunteers globally, Children of Promise is ministering to 4,700 children in over 160 sites in 29 countries in the world.

It is gratifying to see that children who have been sponsored for a number of years are now entering professional studies, trade schools, Bible training schools, and seminaries. The Children of Promise sponsorship program has given them the health care, nutrition, education, spiritual nurture, and encouragement needed to become servant leaders and participants in their local congregations and communities. This is a goal for each participant of Children of Promise. Your sponsorship and donations work hard to help Children of Promise fulfill its purpose.

"Shades of Crimson" Ladies greenhouse tour at Cantigny Gardens Friday, November 16th, 11 a.m.



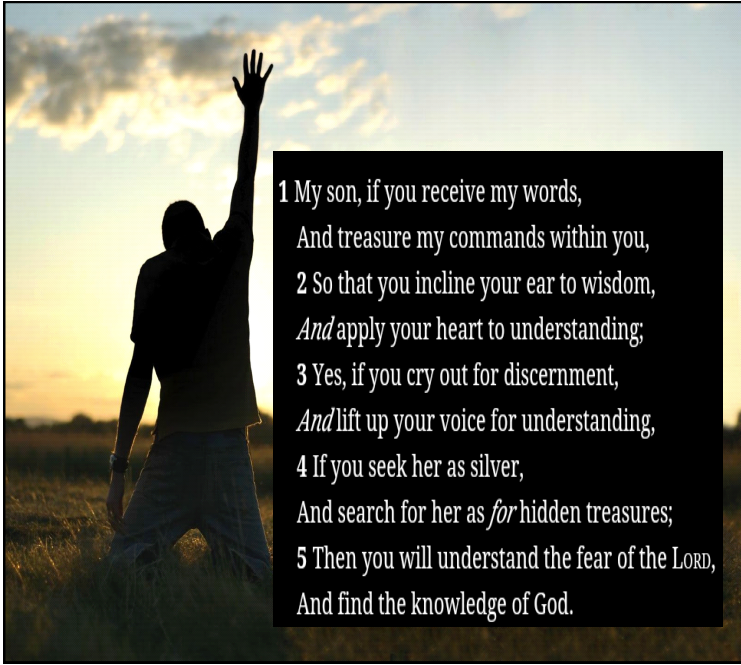
Ladies who love plants and those who wish to become enchanted for the Christmas Holiday Season; this tour is planned with you in mind.

"Shades of Crimson" tour the greenhouse filled with 3,000 poinsettia plants. All colors, all shapes and there will be some available for purchase.

We will meet at the Visitors Center at 11 a.m. There will be a trolley service from the Visitors Center to the Greenhouse. There is a \$5.00 parking fee, so let's car pool with many ladies in one vehicle

Following the greenhouse tour, we can tour the gardens, the museum, or Visitors Center which includes a gift shop. Some ladies may want to enjoy lunch at the Le Jardin restaurant or Berties Café, both located in the Visitor Center.

Pease let Nona know your plans to attend.



1 My son, if you receive my words,
And treasure my commands within you,
2 So that you incline your ear to wisdom,
And apply your heart to understanding;
3 Yes, if you cry out for discernment,
And lift up your voice for understanding,
4 If you seek her as silver,
And search for her as *for* hidden treasures;
5 Then you will understand the fear of the LORD,
And find the knowledge of God.

Afternoon of Prayer

Light Lunch following

Sunday, November 18th

12:30 p.m.

at Sunny Place Church



Church Work Day

Saturday,

November 17th

9:00 a.m.

at Sunny Place Church

Sunday School Line-Up

Sunday School at 9:30 a.m.

Adult
Bible
Study

"Apologetics"

A continuing study
on how to answer
those who ask the
reason for the hope
we have in Christ

Led by
The Dimoulis Family



Children's Classes

Led by Carla Weber

Nursery services are provided

Thursday Evenings

7:00 p.m.

at Sunny Place



"Power to be Witnesses"

A Bible Study
Through Luke's letter of
the Book of Acts

Led by Pastor Pete



November 2018

Sun	Mon	Tue	Wed	Thu	Fri	Sat
				1 Adult Bible Study 7:00 p.m. at Sunny Place	2	3
4 DAYLIGHT-SAVING TIME ENDS Set Clocks back 1 hour Holy Communion Children of Promise Sunday	5	6	7 Elders Meeting 7:00 p.m. at Sunny Place	8 Adult Bible Study 7:00 p.m. at Sunny Place	9	10 2nd Saturday Senior Luncheon 11:30 a.m. at Sunny Place
11 Outreach Meeting 12:30 p.m. at Sunny Place	12	13	14	15 Adult Bible Study 7:00 p.m. at Sunny Place	16 Illinois Youth Convention Ladies Outing At Cantigny Poinsettia display 1:00 p.m.	17 Church Work Day 9:00 a.m. at Sunny Place
18 Afternoon of Prayer, Light lunch following 12:30 p.m. at Sunny Place	19	20	21 Christian Education Meeting 7:00 p.m. at Sunny Place	22 	23	24 Ministry Team Calendar Planning Meeting 9:30 a.m. at Sunny Place
25	26	27	28	29 Adult Bible Study 7:00 p.m. at Sunny Place	30	