

The Reminder

The weekly newsletter of the church of Christ in Bellaire, TX

“Spiritual Chess”

I have enjoyed playing chess since I was twelve years old. Through the years as I taught my children how to play chess I have noticed that several of the principles I have taught them in regards to chess are also principles of life taught in the scriptures. You may not ever play chess, but these principles are lessons worth learning for your life spiritually.

I. Pay Close Attention To Where You Are

Ephesians 5:15 See then that you walk circumspectly, not as fools but as wise,

Life as a Christian is similar to chess in that both of them require you to always be aware where you are. We are told in scripture to walk circumspectly being always conscious as to where we are and what is going on around us. If you just float through a chess game never paying attention to where you are, you will always lose. If you float through life never paying attention to the temptations and attacks of Satan that are around you, you will always lose.

II. Do Not Move To Fast

Proverbs 19:2 he who hurries his footsteps errs.

I'm sure my children got tired of me telling them, “you move too fast, slow down and think about it.” If you move without thinking it through your moves will not usually be the right or best move. How many times do we speak to fast or act to fast without thinking through our words or actions.

Slow down. Learn to be swift to hear, slow to speak, slow to wrath, and take your time to act especially if you are emotionally upset.

III. Give A Lot Of Thought To Your Moves

Proverbs 4:26-27 Ponder the path of your feet, And let all your ways be established.

Proverbs 14:15 the prudent considers well his steps.

Think about your actions before you act. After you see where you are in life take your time to think and meditate about what to say or do next. Actions and words thought through are usually the right choices, the right words, and the right directions to take.

II. Try To See The End Of The Way

Proverbs 14:12 There is a way that seems right to a man, But its end is the way of death.

The more foresight you have in chess the better and sooner you are able to make your moves in preparation for what you see coming. When you can see what is coming in life long before it does come, the more time you have to make the best choices in your actions. Try to see the end of the way in all the paths you take in life. If you can not see what is coming look into the scriptures because they will tell you what is at the end of the way. Through the eyes of faith you can know the right and best moves to make in life.

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Schedule of Services

Sunday:

9:30 AM Worship

11:00 AM Bible Study

WEDNESDAY:

7:30 PM Bible Study



Morning Lesson

“Take A Step Of Faith And Get Involved”
Steve Garrett

News and Notes:

Continue praying for those of our number who have on-going health issues. Deb Haley, Janice Kimbrough, Jan Cooper, Curby Stech, Laura Claburn and Don Hurd.

“Center Of The Bible”

Q: What is the shortest chapter in the Bible?

A: Psalms 117

Q: What is the longest chapter in the Bible?

A: Psalms 119

Q: Which chapter is in the center of the Bible?

A: Psalms 118

Fact: There are 594 chapters before Psalms 118

Fact: There are 594 chapters after Psalms 118

Add these numbers up and you get 1188.

Q: What is the center verse in the Bible?

A: Psalms 118:8

Q: Does this verse say something significant about God's perfect will for our lives?

The next time someone says they would like to find God's perfect will for their lives and that they want to be in the center of His will, just send them to the center of His Word!

Psalms 118:8

"It is better to trust in the LORD than to put confidence in man."
Now isn't that odd how this worked out (or was God in the center of it)?

When things get tough, always remember...

Faith doesn't get you around trouble, it gets you through it !!

-Author Unknown

WHO ARE WE?

A group of Gods children, striving to maintain the organization, doctrine and worship as taught in the New Testament.

ASSIGNMENTS

Morning Service

Opening Prayer - A. Morolez
Hymn Director - G. Williams
Announcements - M. Miles
Closing Prayer - Z. Kelsey

EVANGELIST

Jack Smith
Steve Garrett

ELDERS

Brian Haley
Mark Mann
Matt Miles
Mike Pharris
Jack Smith

DEACONS

Scott Clanton
David Davila
Dan Kimbrough
Jesse Knapp
Alex Morolez
Gregory Williams

BIBLE CLASSES

- Joshua and Judges
(In the Auditorium)
- Great Lessons from Jesus
(In Room 204)

Directory Updates

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