

March 24, 2024



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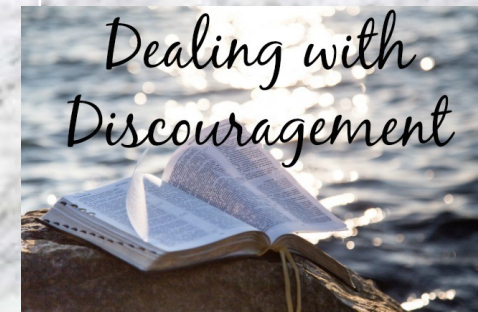
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Dealing with Discouragements

Jesus is our perfect example as we live our lives before God (1 Pet. 2:21), the proper standard for conduct and attitudes. The apostle Paul encouraged the members of the church in Corinth to imitate him as he imitated Christ (1 Cor. 11:1).



While He was on the earth, Jesus had to face discouragements. We must ask, "How did Jesus handle His discouragements?" In learning how He dealt with them, we can learn how we ought to react to those discouragements that come our way. The following are some ways that Jesus dealt with those things that disappointed and discouraged Him.

He Did Not Give Up. Jesus recognized that the key to any situation was in Him, not in the obstacles He faced. Discouragement, you see, is a condition of mind not one of outside circumstances. Happiness does not depend upon where you are but upon what you are. Keeping in

good spirit is not a question of circumstances about us but, rather, a question of what we are within ourselves.

He Took a Wider View. The higher up you are, the farther you can see. Jesus saw things from the Godward side and that side is not discouraging. He encouraged His disciples to have that same perspective. In John 4:35 He told them to "lift up your eyes." No matter what happens in our lives, all will ultimately turn out well if we are faithful in doing the Lord's will. The promise is made to faithful Christians in Romans 8:28 that "all things work together for good to those who love God, to those who are called according to His purpose."

He Kept Working. When He was blocked in one direction, Jesus patiently looked in another. When nothing was left for Him to do but to die, He went to the cross willingly and confidently. Sometimes in life, things may not turn out as we have planned or as we would like them to and we may feel like giving up. Whenever you feel that way, look to Jesus and follow His example. Keep doing the will of God. Persevere with all your heart.

He Always Prayed. When faced with a crisis situation, Jesus gained strength through prayer unto His Father (Matt. 14:23; Luke 5:16; 6:12; Matt. 26:36-42). We must be people of prayer (Luke 18:1; 1 Thes. 5:17). In times of despondency, discouragement and disappointment, prayer is the answer.

Conclusion

In the midst of many discouragements, Jesus calmly, serenely and thoughtfully, kept right on proclaiming the great truths of heaven, doing the will of God and living the proper life. So must we. "And let us not be weary in well doing; for in due season we shall reap, if we faint not" (Gal. 6:9).

David Padfield

Prayer Request

- Jo Harvey's friend Eugene Ferrante had surgery on Wed., Mar. 6th for cancer. Surgery went well . Pray the rest of his treatments goes equally as well
- Sue Barbarotto's friend Bill Michael fell and received a brain injury
- Eduardo Pena pray that he and his son Michael forge a lasting relationship
- Former member Natalie Tenney had heart surgery at Danbury Hospital on Thurs., Mar. 21st pray for her recovery
- Former member Bob Conolty was in the hospital being treated for internal bleeding
- Continue prayers for Randy Walker's sister Becky who has stage 4 pancreatic cancer. Becky tumors have not grown but the tumors in her ovaries are 9 centimeters which is a not a concern. She is continuing with her chemo but is not getting sick. She is able to function and perform day-to-day activities. Becky's grand-daughter Lizzie has lost feeling in her toes and lower third of her left foot which has been amputated. She continues to be happy and is thriving.
- Continue prayers for Doug Vile who has been diagnosed with Amyotrophic lateral sclerosis (ALS) and his wife Jere who is always by his side and a constant support
- Continue prayers for Karen Stanzione's son-in-law Jose Correia who received both organs a kidney and liver on Thurs., Feb 22nd. Jose's surgery was performed on Fri., Feb. 23rd. Surgery went well. Jose was released on Mon., Mar. 11th into subsidized housing a block from Mt. Sinai. Where he will check-in with his doctors twice a week for two to three weeks. If he still progresses like he has done he may be able to come home even sooner. Kelly will be joining him.
- The work in Mozambique and Zambia
- Pray for our missionaries and families
- Pray for our leaders, teachers and each other
- Pray for safe travels for our congregation members

Praise and Thanksgiving

- Former member Stephanie Terry had surgery on Wed., Mar. 13th due to an intestinal blockage. Surgery was 30 minutes .They found adhesions which was caused by a kink in her small intestine. The doctor corrected it. The doctor noticed her appendix looked like it might start causing problems so he also removed it. She is doing well and recovering

Services & Meetings: Week of March 24, 2024

Sunday AM Worship 9:30 am
Sunday AM Bible Classes for ALL AGES 11:00 am

Wednesday Night Bible Study

w/ Zoom component 7:00 pm— 8:00 pm
Jim Hopper

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Event Calendar

Mar. 28th	Bowling Fellowship	12:00 pm—2:00 pm
	Strikers—840 Federal Rd—Brookfield, CT	Contact : Michael P.
Mar. 29th	Good Friday	
Mar. 31st	Easter Sunday	
Apr, 6th	Men's Breakfast	8:30 am—10:00 am
	90 Clapboard Ridge Rd.—Danbury, CT	Contact: Michael P.

Bible Classes

11:00 am —Sunday Classes for ALL AGES

Adult Class

“Colossians” cont. - Gene Pollastro

Ongoing Meeting (church building)

⇒ Mad Hatters Barber Shop	Tues.	7:00 pm
Rehearsals		
⇒ Narcotics Anonymous	Thurs.	6:30 pm—9:30 pm
⇒ Al-Anon	Thurs.	7:00 pm—9:00 pm

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It's a chance for us to connect, come together to share, laugh and see each other as we unlock the bible together.

Come join us!



Weekly Fellowship

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Strikers
840 Federal Rd., Brookfield



