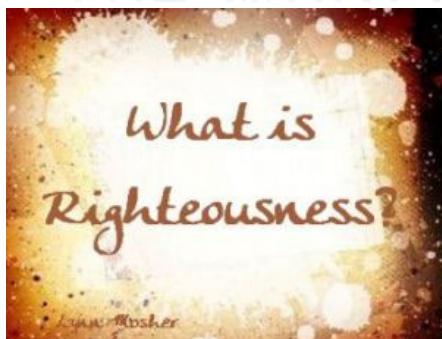


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The Word of the Week – Righteousness



We live in a world where people tend to believe their ways are right in their own eyes. Many people find it hard to accept the absolute standard of righteousness. True or false becomes relative, and many believe they can do whatever they think or feel is right. This is not a new way of living. In the time of the Old Testament judges, it was described as, **“In those days there was no king in Israel. Everyone did what was right in his own eyes.”** (Judges 21.25)

“Dictionaries define *righteousness* as “behavior that is morally justifiable or right.” Such behavior is characterized by accepted standards of morality, justice, virtue, or uprightness. The Bible’s standard of human righteousness is God’s own perfection in every attribute, every attitude, every behavior, and every word. Thus, God’s laws, as given in the Bible, both describe His own character and constitute the plumb line by which He measures human righteousness. The Old Testament Hebrew word and the Greek New Testament word for “righteousness” primarily describes conduct in relation to others and beginning with relationship to God. It is contrasted with wickedness, the conduct of the one who, out of gross self-centeredness, neither reveres God nor respects man.” (GotQuestions.com)

Of course, the bad news is that we cannot attain this perfect righteousness on our own. The standard, God’s standard, is too high. The good news is that perfect righteousness is possible through the death of Jesus on the cross, the resurrection and the indwelling Holy Spirit. Christ followers possess the righteousness of Christ, because **“God made him who had no sin to be sin for us, so that in him we might become the righteousness of God”** (2 Corinthians 5.21). On the cross, Jesus took on our sin and gave to us his righteousness. We have the indwelling Holy Spirit who continues to convict us of sin and lead us into righteousness.

And so, we see as Christ followers, that righteousness involves both a positional aspect and a practical aspect. Positionally, we have a righteous standing before God. He sees us as righteous because of the cross. Practically, we are not righteous, but we continue, with the help of the Spirit, to live righteous lives and obey the laws and commands of God.

And so let us rejoice and give thanks to God for our position. And let us also strive every day to do the next right thing.

In Christ Alone



Daytime small group

will meet at Louise Julius' home beginning **June 10** at **1:00 pm**. We will meet for five weeks ending July 8. Our time will be 1:00 pm – 2:30 pm. Our study will be Max Lucado's "Hope is Here," a study of the Holy Spirit. This study is open to all, but will be a great opportunity for ladies who do not like to drive after dark. Sue Deardorff is facilitating, but the study will be shared leadership by all present. Available space for 6 people, so don't delay. There are one or two steps to enter the home. Great study and fellowship opportunity.

Don't delay!

Wednesdays
 May 6th, 13th, 20th, 27th
 6:30 pm - 7:30 pm with Pastor Gary

Life Group

The book of 1 Thessalonians

The Chosen 5 Bible Study will meet on Thursday evenings through June 4th, with the exception of May 7th. Please see Dave Titzell with any questions you may have.

The CHOSEN SEASON 5

MEN'S BREAKFAST & BIBLE STUDY

Saturday, May 16th at 7 am
 At Dover Valley Restaurant

Save the dates:
 Vacation Bible School
 Bermudian Church
 August 2nd – 6th,
 2026

We will update when registration opens!!

"In everything give thanks for this is the will of God in Christ Jesus

Notes from Pastor Matthew's Desk

Ignite Youth Meetings:

5/6/2026 @ 6 pm

5/27/2026 @ 5:30

Young Adults:

5/22/2026 5:30 @ Pastor Matts House

See him or the directory for the address.

**Help / Volunteers needed to help with VBS this summer
see Sue Mayle for more info!!**

Free Puppet Show

By Yahdah Ministries



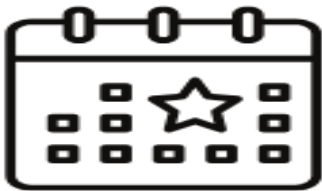
May 9th @ 7PM





Prayer & Praises

- Mark requested prayer for Liz and Christiana for continued healing and strengthening, as well as an unspoken request.
- Pam Miller requested prayer for Barb Stern for the surgery she had today for healing and recovery.
- Terri Stambaugh requested prayer for Foy, to pray that Gumby is comfortable as he transitions to be with our dear Lord.
- Brett Miller is home and recovering from his surgery; continue to pray for healing and recovery.
- Sandy Hengst was in an auto accident on Tuesday; please keep all involved in your prayers. She was fine, just shaken, and the car is drivable.
- Chelsey Yost would like us to pray for the mother of the student who went through the prayer line the other week. They have to do another procedure, and they found two more cancerous tumors. She is also asking for prayers for her dad, who will find out Tue what they will be doing for the next 2 months, and he is in pain.
- Please continue to pray for Wilmer Grim. He is in York Hospital ICU. His symptoms are back to normal, and so they are still trying to determine what happened.




Reminders

Wednesday 05/06


 Brad & Brenda Replogle's Anniversary

6:00 pm – Youth Group

 6:30 pm – Life Group

Thursday 05/07

 Brenda Grim's Birthday

 Liz Lipsitz's Birthday

Friday 05/08

 Brad Replogle's Birthday

Saturday 05/09

 Carissa Good's Birthday

7:00 pm – Free Puppet Show

Sunday 05/10


 Dillon & Chelsey Yost's Anniversary

09:00 am – Come Worship

10:00 am – Intersection's Café

10:20 am – Sunday School – all ages

Tuesday 05/12

 Dillon & Chelsey Yost's Anniversary

6:00 pm – Commissions Meeting


7:00 pm – Board Meeting

Wednesday 05/06

 Hunter & Kasey Shank's Anniversary

 Terry Sweitzer's Birthday

 Genesis Hershey's Birthday

 6:30 pm – Life Group

CBC Weekly Prayer Request

Please pray for these congregations and pastors:

- Mount Pleasant in North Canton, OH and Pastor Bruce Jacobsen
- Mount Zion in Moatsville, WV and lay speaker Sam Ira Mayle
- Mount Zion in Linville, VA and Pastors Jonathan Prater and Kristi Zirkle
- Mountain Dale in Bruceton Mills, WV and Pastor Lewis Beachy