

Spring Hill Church



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THE CHURCH

Questions to ask yourself before you start complaining about your church:

If the church service depended solely on MY worship. . . how full of worship would the service be?

If the church had to depend solely on My faithfulness. . . how faithful would my church be?

If the church had to survive solely on MY prayer life. . . how much prayer would be going on?

If the church could only

go as deep as MY relationship with God goes. . how deep would my church be?

If we had to make it on MY Bible reading and knowledge. . .how knowledgeable would my church be?

If the preaching depended solely on MY response to the preaching and the altar call. . . how responsive would my church be?

If it all depended on me. . .what would happen?

Before you start com-

plaining. . . make sure you're:

The first one praying

The first one dancing

The first one reading and studying

The first one responding

The first one fasting

The first one faithful

Remember:

we can't complain if we're not being what we say we want.

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PRAYER REQUEST:

- TERRY & SHANNON
- SHARON
- KENNY
- BRUCE & PATSY
- PATSY'S MOM
- RENEE
- LAWRENCE & JAN
- NICHOLAS
- TOMMY & ANGIE
- LACEY, JAMIE & KIDS
- FREDDY & JO ANN
- GANNON & ALI
- ANN
- MIKE & MARY
- JESSE & CAROL
- CAROL
- DON
- TRACEY
- DALE & DONNA
- THE CHURCH
- THE LOST
- ASIAN MINISTRY
- CODY, LAURA & KIDS
- RENEE'S MOM

HAVE YOU EVER THOUGHT ABOUT THIS?

In a hundred years like in 2123 we will all be buried with our relatives and friends.

Strangers will live in our homes we fought so hard to build, and they will own everything we have today. All our possessions will be known and unborn, including the car we spent a fortune on, and will probably be scrap, preferably in the hands of an unknown collec-

tor.

Our descendants will hardly know who we were, nor will they remember us.

How many of us know our grandfather's father?

After we die, we will be remembered for a few more years, then we are just a portrait on someone's bookshelf, and a few years later our history, photos and deeds disap-

pear in history's oblivion. We won't even be memories.

If we paused one day to analyze these questions, perhaps we would understand how ignorant and weak the dream to achieve it all was.

If we could only think about this, surely our approaches, our thoughts would change, we would be...continued on next page

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HAVE YOU EVER THOUGHT ABOUT THIS? ...CONTINUED

different people.

Always having more, no time for what's really valuable in this life. I'd change all this to live and enjoy the walks I've never taken, the hugs I didn't give, the kisses for our children and our

loved ones, the jokes we didn't have time for. Those would certainly be the most beautiful moments to remember, after all they fill our lives with joy.

And some of us waste it day after day with greed,

selfishness and intolerance.

Every minute of life is priceless and will never be repeated, so take time to enjoy, be grateful for, and celebrate your existence.

DANGER

HOLY BIBLE

Bible use can become habit forming.

Regular reading can cause loss of anxiety, fear, and a decreased appetite for impatience and anger.

Symptoms include increased love, joy, peace, patience, kindness, goodness, faithfulness, gentleness, and self-control.

If symptoms persist, just

PRAISE THE LORD!

"Every word of God is pure: he is a shield unto them that put their trust in him."

Proverbs 30:5

The devil wouldn't be attacking you so hard if there wasn't something valuable inside of you. Thieves don't break into empty houses.

Read that again

I don't walk
with God, I can't
keep up with Him.
He walks with
me, and he waits
for me every
time
I fall behind

THIS HIT ME HARD

Have you ever noticed how in the scriptures men are always going up into the mountains to commune with the Lord?

Yet in the scriptures we hardly ever hear of women going into the mountains. But we know why—right?

Because the women were too busy keeping life going; they couldn't abandon babies, meals, homes, fires, gardens, and a thousand responsibilities to make the climb into the mountains!

I was talking to a friend the other day, saying that as a modern woman I feel like I'm never "free" enough from my responsibilities, never in a quiet enough space I want with God.

Her response floored me, "That is why God comes to women where ever they are."

I have been pondering on her words for weeks and have searched my Bible to see if what she said is true. God does indeed come to women where they are, when they are doing their ordinary, everyday work.

He meets them at the wells where they draw water for their families, in their homes, in their kitchens, in their gardens.

He comes to them as they sit beside sick beds, as they give birth, care for the elderly, and perform necessary mourning and burial rites.

Even at the empty tomb, Mary was the first to witness Christ's resurrection, she was there because she was doing the womanly chore of properly preparing Christ's body for burial.

In these seemingly mundane and ordinary tasks,

these women of the scriptures found themselves face to face with divinity.

So if — like me — you ever start to bemoan the fact that you don't have as much time to spend in the mountains with God as you like. Remember, God comes to women. He knows where we are and the burdens we carry. He sees us, and if we open our eyes and our hearts we will see Him, even in the most ordinary things.

He lives. And He's using a time such as this to speak to women around the world.

"I will therefore that the younger women marry, bear children, guide the house, give none occasion to the adversary to speak reproachfully."

1 Timothy 5:14



If you put 100 black ants and 100 red ants in a jar, nothing will happen.

But if you shake the jar hard, the ants will start killing each other.

The red ants will consider the black ants their enemies, and the black ants will consider the red ants their enemies.

The real enemy is the one who shakes the jar. The same thing happens in human society.

So before we attack each other, we should think about who is shaking the jar!

At the end of the day
I can go to sleep and
be at peace because
I know my intentions
were good and my
heart was pure.

"Stop looking for the perfect church. Go worship a perfect God today with a congregation of flawed people who need grace as much as you do."

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SUNDAY SCHOOL . . . 10:00AM
SUNDAY WORSHIP. . . 11:00AM
SUNDAY NIGHT 6:00PM
WEDNESDAY NIGHT. . . 7:30PM

EVERYONE WELCOME

A minister told his congregation, "Next week I plan to preach about the sin of lying. To help you understand my sermon, I want you all to read Mark."

The following Sunday as he prepared to deliver his sermon, the minister asked for a show of hands. He wanted to know how many had read Mark 17. Every hand went up.

The minister smiled and said, "Mark has only 16 chapters. I will now proceed with my sermon on the sin of lying."

Death takes the body.
God takes the soul.
Our mind holds the memories.
Our heart keeps the love.
Our faith lets us know
we will meet again.

Cell phone without
battery is useless.
Guitar without strings
is useless.
Life without God is
useless.

October 2023

Sun	Mon	Tue	Wed	Thu	Fri	Sat
1 CONFERENCE	2 MARY	3	4	5	6	7
8	9 MALLORY TONY S.	10	11	12 CHELSEA	13	14 WORK DAY
15	16	17 WAYNE & CRIMSON	18 ERIN	19 TERRY	20	21
22	23	24	25	26	27	28
29 SANDWICH NIGHT	30	31 KENNY				