

Trinity Bible Church

The Carpenter's House

July 14, 2013

The Message:

Faithfulness

3 John 1:5-6

ANNOUNCEMENTS

Sunday July 14 Chanler's Fellowship.
Wednesday July 17 The Markers of Maturity.
Sunday July 21 Deacons' Meeting.

- ** Today after church is a time of fellowship with the Chanlers who have retired and are moving to Texas.
- ** Thanks to all for the prayers for Jack Freeman and his family. They are greatly appreciated.
- ** Thanks to all who covered the pulpit and also to those who supported them during Drue's absence. Hopefully we will be able to get back to a somewhat normal schedule.

	June	Total 2013	General Fund	Building Fund	Missions YTD
Income	\$11,329.00	\$49,810.00		\$ 6,302.27	\$ 7,191.00
Expenses	11,168.16	45,482.80		Benevolence	8,351.00
Balance	160.84	4,327.20	\$ 18,994.41	\$ 444.85	\$-1,160.00

ANNOUNCEMENTS & OFFERING

Praise and Worship

The Message:

The Use of Law in the Church Age

Faithfulness

3 John 1:5-6

1:3-4 = First Commendation: Walking in Truth.

C.T./L.T. = For I rejoiced greatly when brethren came and were bearing witness to your truth, just as you yourself are walking in truth. (4) I have no greater joy than this, to hear of my walking in the truth.

- F. Some truth is hard to hear but builds the foundation for _____. John 16:7-15

Principle: Real parental joy is built on seeing one's _____ walk in The Truth.

1:5 = Second Commendation: Hospitality.

C.T./L.T. = Beloved, you are acting faithfully in whatever you may do into the brethren and *especially when they are strangers*;

Summary:

1. Faithfulness is one of Gaius' commendations.
2. He has employed various methods of sowing seeds *into* both believers and strangers.
3. In other words he is "making disciples." 2 Tim 4:5
4. Faithfulness:
 - A. God sets the standard. 1 Cor 1:4-9
 - B. Is the chief marker of a servant of Christ. 1 Cor 4:1-3
 - C. Involves service to others on behalf of The Master. Matt 24:45-47
 - D. Covers the "little things" of life. Luke 16:10-13
 - E. The Master notices and rewards. Matt 25:20-22
 - F. Those Faithful until death will receive the Crown of Life. Rev 2:10-11

Principle: God looks for faithfulness to Him in _____ things.

1:6 = The Witness of Missionaries.

C.T./L.T. = and they have born witness to your love before the church, and you will do well, having sent them on their way, in a manner worthy of the God.

Summary:

1. The sowing should be love driven and not simply duty driven.
2. Gaius has witnesses to his faithfulness to the Church.
3. Gaius will be blessed for preparing others to "walk in a worthy manner."
4. The "worthy manner" involves:
 - A. Receiving _____ into the Church. Rom 16:1-2
 - B. A humble, gentle, patient and loving lifestyle that seeks _____ within the Body of Christ. Eph 4:1-3
 - C. Proper _____ in the face of the battle. Php 1:27-29
 - D. The _____ of His will that is bearing fruit. Col 1:9-13
 - E. Setting a _____ standard that others can see. 1 Thes 2:10-12

Principle: Blessing is promised for those who _____ help others grow in Christ.

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9. Thus commandments must be taught _____ so that Knowledge is available for compliance. Matt 5:18-20
- A. We must be _____ sensitive to the various commandments.
Heb 7:4-5
 - B. To fulfill the command to make _____ requires teaching them God's other commandments. Matt 28:18-20
 - C. Bible teachers should seek to teach _____ command of God.
Heb 9:19-21; Acts 20:28
 - D. _____ Bible teaching does not add to, take away or change God's commands. Matt 19:4-10 & Mark 10:3-5
 - E. Mankind likes to _____ which ones to obey.
Matt 19:16-22 & Mark 10:17-22
 - F. It is _____ to know God's commandments and turn away from them.
2 Pet 2:18-22
 - G. Some commandments have been given simply to deal with mankind's _____ of heart, so one must be wise in the understanding and application. Mark 10:2-12
 - H. Mankind's commandments are not _____ to God's. Mark 7:8-10
 - I. Our objective should be to seek greater _____ with the Lord's commands. 1 John 2:7-8
10. Violations of God's commands establish _____ between mankind and God and thus mankind needs a Peacemaker. Eph 2:14-16
- A. _____ are inherently commandments. Rom 13:8-10
 - B. Where there is a commandment, there is an _____ to violate it.
Rom 7:7-14
 - C. Where there is violation there is a need for _____. Rom 5:1-11
 - D. For believers it is _____ to keep God's commandments. Luke 1:5-7