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KENNEWICK CHURCH OF CHRIST



Money Doesn't Talk

"Therefore I opened a new savings account last month. My wife and I were looking for a safe way to save money. So, we opened an account with a bank that is FDIC insured. This means that the federal government guarantees that even if the bank fails, our money will be returned to us. So, we accepted the terms.

There is good reason to trust in a bank that is insured by the government. The U.S. is a wealthy, powerful nation that has the means to uphold their guarantees. However, that trust only goes so far. While I may be able to generally see my investment as secured, I should never be willing to bet my entire livelihood on it. As powerful as the United States is, it is as capable of failing as the banks it promises to uphold. In fact, the very money which I deposit is only as valuable as the public trust in the government that issues it.

Now, this article is not a critique of our financial system or an attempt to offer investment advice. I would be the last person you would want to ask for that! But, consider with me how much trust we put in the accumulation of money. We use money to purchase all of the things that we need. We buy food, water, shelter and healthcare with money. It is a vital part of our daily life. So, it's a no-brainer that the more of it we have, the more secure we feel about our provisions. But, is money really such a safe place to rest our trust?

The Bible warns us that the love of money is a root of all evil (1 Tim. 6:10). When our lives become focused on growing wealth, we inevitably leave God on the sidelines. Jesus tells us that we "...cannot serve God and mammon," which is wealth (Matt. 6:24). The more time you put into something, the more you become a servant to it. This grows to the point that money becomes an idol. Paul says in Colossians 3:5, "Put to death therefore what is earthly to you: sexual immorality, impurity, passion, evil desire, and covetousness, which is idolatry." Are you more about "the hustle" or holiness?

Like any manmade god, money is incapable of trustworthiness. It tears, it fades, and it fluctuates in value. But the one true God is eternal and living, and He cares for you. In Habakkuk 2:18-20, the Lord said, "What profit is the image, that its maker should carve it, the molded image, a teacher of lies, that the maker of its mold should trust in it, to make mute idols? Woe to him who says to wood, 'Awake!' To silent stone, 'Arise! It shall teach!' Behold, it is overlaid with gold and silver, Yet in it there is no breath at all. But the Lord is in His holy temple. Let all the earth keep silence before Him." Money doesn't talk, but God has spoken that He will never leave you nor forsake you (Deut. 31:6). ~Robert Lupo

Keep these Dates in Mind	Birthdays and Anniversaries	
04/05 Monthly Potluck 04/11 Men's Business Meeting 04/14 Hand & Foot Get Together	Joe Wilson 4/10 Naomi McCown 4/15 Vern & Sammie Engelke 4/18 Hailey Fuentes 4/19 Emalyn Woodward 4/24 Anthony Rodriguez 4/28	
Today's News	Bible Studies	
	Adult Bible Classes (Fellowship Hall) Sunday am (9:30a) – 1st Timothy Wed pm (6:00p) – Minor Prophets	Ladies Class Ladies class - Thursday, at 11:00 -12:30. Survey of the OT

For us to remember:

- **Annie Phom, Pat Lindsay, Karen McBurney, Tami Pennington, Jim Preston, Sandi Gray, Shannon Mendoza, Bill Lafferty, Linda Lafferty, Lyn Gigar, Queca Woods, Paul Mays, Shauna** (Ila Stevens granddaughter), **Jonni Marcotte, Joe Marcotte, Freddie Garza** (Danny's cousin), **Terry Brown, Lupe Mendoza, Jackson Ward** (Josh Mendoza's friend), **Tamara Zog, Doreen Martinez**
- **Karen McBurney** has asked for help to deal with her pain
- **Lupe Mendoza** went home Saturday. Continue to pray for her as she continues to heal..Good news, the cancer had not spread to her lymph nodes, so they are confident they got it all.
- **Pat Lindsay** is in the hospital with an issue with her leg. It wasn't infection, so that was good news. With luck, she will be home Monday.
- Teachers for the children's classes are needed. Please consider filling this need and contact, Fran, Holly, or Debbie Bolt.

Date	Opening Prayer	Song Leader	Communion Thought (Devotional)	Lord's Supper	Closing Prayer
This week	H. Jones	J. Mendoza	J. Mendoza	L. Moore K. Winstead	B. Lafferty
Next Week	G. Keever	D. Mendoza	J. Wilson	L. Moore J. Danley	D. McLaughlin

Yes, You Can Know

Let's do some word studies and then make the application.

In the book of First John, there are several words that are key terms, which are used repeatedly in the book. One of them is the word "know." There is more than one Greek word that is translated "know" in English, but I want to focus only on the uses of the Greek word *oida*, which means "fullness of knowledge."

As we go through these verses in First John, ask yourself, "Can we *really know* these things? Fully? Completely? Can I actually be certain?" Of course, you are going to answer that "yes" every time, but I want you to see how the word is used.

We read that "you...*know* the truth" (2:21). "You *know* that He is righteous" (2:29). "We *know* that when He is revealed, we shall be like Him" (3:2). "You *know* that He was manifested to take away our sins" (3:5). "We *know* that we have passed from death to life" (3:14). "You *know* that no murderer has eternal life" (3:15). "We *know* that we are of God" (5:19). "We *know* that the Son of God has come and has given us an understanding" (5:20). No question! We know these things with absolute certainty!

Another word that runs throughout the book is the word "have." Consider these instances when the word "have" is used in the present tense. Again, as you read these, I want you to ask yourself, "Do we *really have* these things?" Of course, you are going to answer that "yes" every time, but I want you to see how the word is used in the present tense.

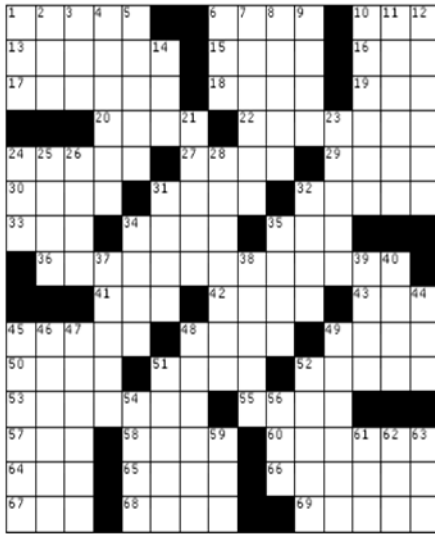
"We *have* fellowship with one another" (1:7). Do we truly "have" that for sure right now? "We *have* an Advocate with the Father, Jesus Christ the righteous" (2:1). Do we truly "have" that for sure right now? We "*have*" the "commandment" to "love" our "brother" (4:21). Do we truly "have" that for sure right now? Yes, we really "have" these things right now.

We've examined those two words for a reason. They are both key words that are found in **First John 5:13**. "These things I have written to you who believe in the name of the Son of God, that you may *know* that you *have* eternal life." Some Christians struggle with having confidence that they are going to heaven.

The Bible says that those who keep on believing and obeying the Son of God (the emphasis of the present tense Greek word for "believe" [*pisteuo*]) can "KNOW" (as certain as they know the truth, know Jesus is righteous, etc.) that they "HAVE" (as real as having fellowship with one another, having Jesus as our Advocate, etc.) "ETERNAL LIFE." Dear faithful Christian, God says that you can KNOW that you HAVE a home waiting for you in HEAVEN! Now, let's live like it! ~David Sproule

Wednesday Night Devotional

Date	Song leader	Devotional	Date	Song leader	Devotional
04/01	J. Mendoza	H. Jones	04/29	D. Mendoza	L. Moore
04/08	L. Moore	D. Mendoza	05/06	J. Mendoza	J. Wilson
04/15	D. Mendoza	J. Mendoza	05/13	D. Mendoza	H. Jones
04/22	J. Mendoza	B. Lafferty	05/20	L. Moore	D. Mendoza



ACROSS

- 1 Groups of workers
- 6 Next to Kauai
- 10 American Cancer Society (abbr.)
- 13 Hold up
- 15 Soon
- 16 Pull
- 17 Insincere
- 18 Rave
- 19 Ball holder
- 20 Shoe's partner
- 22 Spotted cat
- 24 The devil
- 27 Sailor's "hey"
- 29 Plague of Egypt
- 30 Declare
- 31 Boast
- 32 Table cloth fabric
- 33 Excavate
- 34 Husband of Ruth
- 35 What's owed
- 36 Romantic day
- 41 Adam and __
- 42 Every

- 43 Cain fled to this land
 - 45 Writings
 - 48 Land mass
 - 49 Yank
 - 50 Chip
 - 51 Second letter of the greek alphabet
 - 52 __ of Babel
 - 53 Giant (2 wds.)
 - 55 __ ex machina
 - 57 Wrath
 - 58 To incite
 - 60 Greek goddess
 - 64 Bard's before
 - 65 Actor Alda
 - 66 Visited places
 - 67 Tribe of Israel
 - 68 Fasting season
 - 69 __ and raves
- DOWN**
- 1 Discs
 - 2 Radioactivity unit
 - 3 Airport abbr.
 - 4 Capital of Poland
 - 5 Peter's other name

- 6 Rowing tool (abbr.)
- 7 Not digital
- 8 A land flowing with milk and __
- 9 Do __ others
- 10 Achieve
- 11 Force
- 12 Scandinavian nation
- 14 Big Apple (abbr.)
- 21 Weight measurement
- 23 Worked at
- 24 Downhearted
- 25 Tel __ (Israel city)
- 26 Roman garments
- 28 Smoggiest
- 31 Femur
- 32 Lavish
- 34 Large group
- 35 Factor of ten
- 37 Oozing
- 38 Mythological nymph
- 39 Fresh
- 40 Past times
- 44 Danish krone
- 45 Wanted
- 46 __ Nevada (mountain range)
- 47 Window covering
- 48 Part of the Mediterranean Sea
- 49 Successor of Moses
- 51 Holy book
- 52 Teacher
- 54 Phoenician god
- 56 Snack
- 59 Explosive
- 61 White-tailed sea eagle
- 62 Web
- 63 Advertisements

It always seems impossible
Until it is done.
Nelson Mandela

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Sunday Morning Worship 10:30 am Sunday Night Worship 6:00 pm

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