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“The Choice Is Your’s To Make, Where Do We Go from Here?” (Part III)

Isaiah 40:27-31 (MSG)

²⁷⁻³¹ Why would you ever complain, O Jacob, or, whine, Israel, saying, “GOD has lost track of me. He doesn’t care what happens to me”? Don’t you know anything? Haven’t you been listening? GOD doesn’t come and go. God *lasts*. He’s Creator of all you can see or imagine.

He doesn’t get tired out, doesn’t pause to catch his breath. And he knows *everything*, inside and out. He energizes those who get tired, gives fresh strength to dropouts. For even young people tire and drop out, young folk in their prime stumble and fall. **But those who wait upon GOD get fresh strength.** They spread their wings and soar like eagles, they run and don’t get tired, they walk and don’t lag behind.

“. . . **that wait upon the Lord;**” that rely upon him for strength to bear their burdens, and for deliverance from them in due

time.

“. . . **shall renew their strength;**” shall grow stronger and stronger in faith, and patience, and fortitude, whereby they shall be more than conquerors over all their enemies and adversities.

“. . . **they shall mount up with wings as eagles;** which fly most strongly, and swiftly, and high, out of the reach of all danger.

“. . . **they shall run, and not be weary;** and they shall walk, and not faint; they shall be enabled to run or walk in their way as they please, without any weariness. **God had begun the work of grace, he will perfect it.**

In His Will,
Pastor Dean

A Guide to Reading the Bible in a Year

Week of 07-13 to 07-19

07/13 – Ps. 51-54

07/16 – Ps. 61-63

07/19 – Ps. 70-72

07/14 – Ps. 55-57

07/17 – Ps. 64-66

07/15 – Ps. 58-60

07/18 – Ps. 67-69

My father oftentimes quoted to me this statement, “You have got to get up every morning with **determination**, if you are going to go to bed with **satisfaction**.”

“Prayer of Agreement”

²⁷ Only let your conduct be worthy of the gospel of Christ, so that whether I come and see you or am absent, I may hear of your affairs, that you stand fast in one spirit, with one mind striving together for the faith of the gospel, ²⁸ and not in any way terrified by your adversaries, which is to them a proof of perdition, but to you of salvation, and that from God. ²⁹ For to you it has been granted on behalf of Christ, not only to believe in Him, but also to suffer for His sake, ³⁰ having the same conflict which you saw in me and now hear is in me.

² Therefore if there is any consolation in Christ, if any comfort of love, if any fellowship of the Spirit, if any affection and mercy, ² fulfill my joy by being like-minded, having the same love, being of one accord, of one mind. ³ Let nothing be done through selfish ambition or conceit, but in lowliness of mind let each esteem others better than himself. ⁴ Let each of you look out not only for his own interests, but also for the interests of others.

⁵ Let this mind be in you which was also in Christ Jesus, ⁶ who, being in the form of God, did not consider it robbery to be equal with God, ⁷ but made Himself of no reputation, taking the form of a bondservant, and coming in the likeness of men. ⁸ And being found in appearance as a man, He humbled Himself and became obedient to the point of death, even the death of the cross. ⁹ Therefore God also has highly exalted Him and given Him the name which is above every name, ¹⁰ that at the name of Jesus every knee should bow, of those in heaven, and of those on earth, and of those under the earth, ¹¹ and that every tongue should confess that Jesus Christ is Lord, to the glory of God the Father. **Philippians 1:27-2:11** (NKJV)

Signed _____

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July Board Meeting

The July Board meeting will be Sunday, July 29 at 8:30 am in the parlor.

All Elders, Deacons, Committee chairs and board officers should attend.

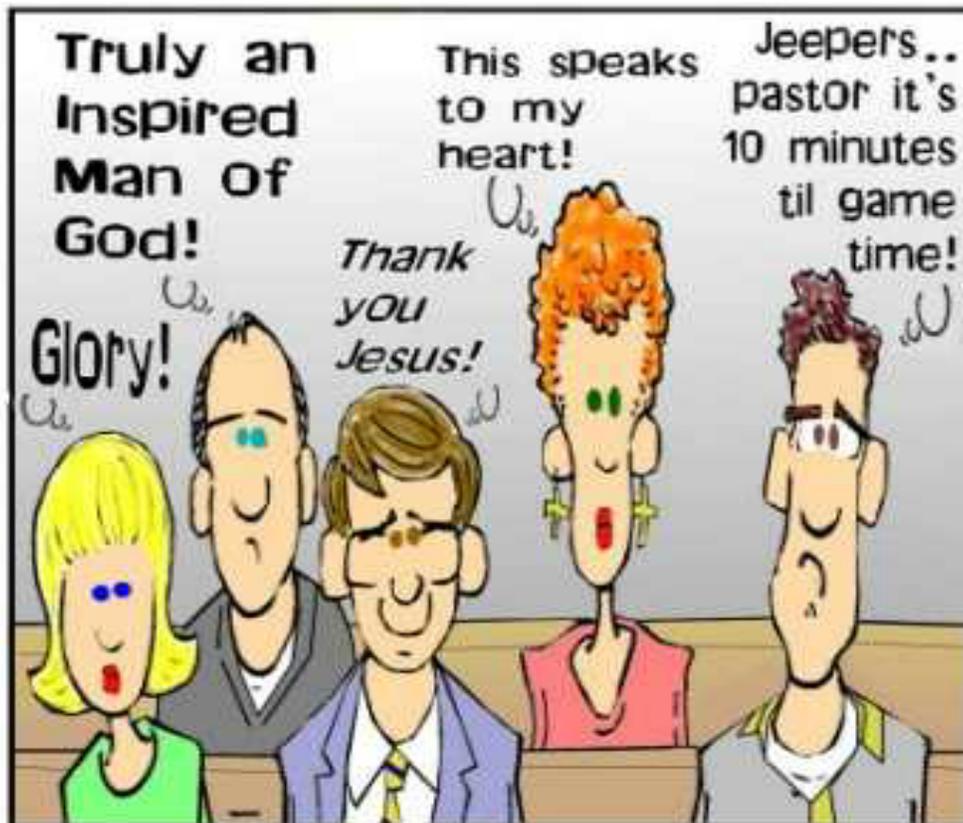


July Birthdays & Anniversaries Birthdays

- 4 Jacob George
- 6 Pam Newburn
- 8 Denise Williams
- 13 Toni Sky-Eagle
- 17 Nicole Duncan
- 20 Jason Lindsey
- 22 Connie Ginn
- 24 Natalie Blythe
- 28 Gerry Gentis

Anniversaries

- 6 Pat & Mike Ford
- 9 Natalie & Jim Blythe



Pastor Johnson is a gifted speaker reaching each member of his congregation in a way that made you feel each sermon was just for you.