Drawing Near to God

"Draw nigh to God, and he will draw nigh to you." James 4:8

The nearer we come to God, the more graciously He will reveal Himself to us. When the Prodigal comes to his father, his father runs to meet him. When the wandering dove returns to the ark, Noah puts out his hand to pull her in unto him. When the tender wife seeks her husband's society, he comes to her on wings of love. Come then, dear friend, let us "draw nigh to God," who so graciously awaits us, yes, comes to meet us.

Did you ever notice that passage in Isaiah 58:9? There the Lord seems to put Himself at the disposal of His people, saying to them, "Here I am, " as much as to say: "What have you to say to Me? What can I do for you? I am waiting to bless you." How can we hesitate to draw near? God is nigh to forgive, to bless, to comfort, to help, to quicken, to deliver. Let it be the main point with us to get near to God. This done, all is done. If we draw near to others, they may before long grow weary of us and leave us; but if we seek the Lord alone, no change will come over His mind, but He will continue to come nearer and yet nearer to us by fuller and more joyful fellowship.

Taken from C.H. Spurgeon's Faith's Checkbook

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BIBLE STUDY PRAYER MEETING

"Even them will I bring to my holy mountain, and make them joyful in my house of prayer: their burnt offerings and their sacrifices shall be accepted upon mine altar; for mine house shall be called an house of prayer for all people."

ISAIAH 56:7

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THE BIBLICAL PATTERN FOR PRAYER

"Watch and pray, that ye enter not into temptation: the spirit indeed is willing, but the flesh is weak."

Matthew 26:41

CHURCH MINISTRIES

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Music Ministry Bus Ministry Youth Ministry Special Needs Ministry Benevolence Ministry AWANA Youth Program Blazers for Christ Ministry Highland Manor Ministry

SUNDAY SCHOOL TEACHERS AND WORKERS

Nursery Preschool First, Second Grades

Third-Fifth Grades Valerie Rueckert/Jackie Young Sixth-Twelfth Grades Anthony & Anna Johnson Brian & Robin Babin

College and Career

Adult Bible Class Randy Raiford Sunday School of the Air LeGrand Lamb Ladies' Bible Class Gayle Waits Special Adults' Class Joy Garrison

Primary Church Special Adults' Service Sunday School Superintendent Josh Wilson

Paul & Donna Hancock LeGrand Lamb/David Hollis

Kathi Lamb/Leah Dickey

Josh & Ashley Wilson

Mabel Otamias

MISSIONARIES OF THE WEEK

Thad Endicott and Family

Heritage Baptist Church

- Pray for the discipleship of new believers.
- Pray for increased opportunities to share the gospel.

CHURCH FAMILY PRAYER NEEDS

Health Needs

Janet Brock Robert Crocker

Jerry Dickey Jackie Lightfoot

Stan Waits Sheryl Woodward

Gloria Randolph

Home/Nursing Home-Bound

Mary Sue Allen Robert Duke Montez Haley

Marlene Jackson Bill Leon Pearl Marcus

Lou Rutherford Geraldine Sizemore Bette Talley

We extend our sympathy to Boyd and Sheryl Woodward at the home-going of their son, Ramey. Please be in prayer for their family during this time.

COLLEGE AND CAREER

Jay Babin Jeremiah Babin Julia Layne

Geon Lee Hyun Lee Shayna Lightfoot Win Otamias

Markell Strong Charisma Yeluri Sara Young

LADIES' FELLOWSHIP BRUNCH

Saturday, November 9 - 10:00 A.M.

Please join us for a time of food, fellowship, and inspiration THIS SATURDAY, November 9, at 10:00 a.m. in the Glen Iris Baptist School Library. This event is potluck style, so please bring your favorite dish!!! Visit gleniris.net for food sign-up.