Good Morning PGCC! March 27, 2020

TO BRIGHTEN YOUR DAY

Some people aren't shaking hands because of the Coronavirus. I'm not shaking hands because everyone is out of toilet paper.

A DEVOTIONAL THOUGHT

by Don Woods

Psalm 91 (NLT)

- ¹ Those who live in the shelter of the Most High will find rest in the shadow of the Almighty. ² This I declare about the Lord: He alone is my refuge, my place of safety; he is my God, and I trust him.
- ³ For he will rescue you from every trap and protect you from deadly disease.
- ⁴He will cover you with his feathers. He will shelter you with his wings. His faithful promises are your armor and protection.
- ⁵ Do not be afraid of the terrors of the night, nor the arrow that flies in the day.
- ⁶ Do not dread the disease that stalks in darkness, nor the disaster that strikes at midday.
- ⁷ Though a thousand fall at your side, though ten thousand are dying around you, these evils will not touch you.
- ⁸ Just open your eyes, and see how the wicked are punished.
- ⁹ If you make the Lord your refuge, if you make the Most High your shelter,
- ¹⁰ no evil will conquer you; no plague will come near your home.
- ¹¹ For he will order his angels to protect you wherever you go.

During this pandemic crisis, Psalm 91 can be a guide and encouragement for us to prayerfully review our relationship with God through Jesus Christ.

In the past, God has used crisis events to:

- allow us to see our vulnerabilities
- examine our relationship with Him
- root out sinful behaviors
- · express our need of Him

Psalm 91 offers guidance and promises protection.

- In verses 1-2, **protection is promised** for those who live in the shelter (or refuge) of God (also see Psalm 46: 1 God is our present help).
- But an intentional decision is needed. Verse 9 tells us the promise has a condition: "If YOU MAKE the Lord your refuge" (also see Hebrews 11: 6 Believe, Believe, Believe).
- Verse 14 tells us that God rescues and protects those who love and trust him.

So, pray, both audibly and silently, to deepen your relationship of love and trust for the Lord Jesus Christ – it enables protection, rescue, and His loving presence (see also Romans 10: 9-10 – Confess with your mouth, believe in your heart).

Also, take time to read Psalm 91 out loud and try personalizing it by inserting the word "I" where appropriate. Then respond to this Psalm in prayer to God.

¹² They will hold you up with their hands so you won't even hurt your foot on a stone.

¹³ You will trample upon lions and cobras; you will crush fierce lions and serpents under your feet!

¹⁴ The Lord says, "I will rescue those who love me. I will protect those who trust in my name.

¹⁵ When they call on me, I will answer; I will be with them in trouble. I will rescue and honor them.

¹⁶ I will reward them with a long life and give them my salvation."

SHARE YOUR ART

by Roberta Mitchell



What neighbor can you share your love with today?

Do you have art that you have created? It could be a drawing, painting, photograph, sculpture, carving, poem, or craft. Please share it with us

DO YOU NEED PRAYER?

Contact our Prayer Tree at prayerand-praisetree@gmail.com

WE ARE HERE FOR YOU

Call us at 916-771-4447 Email us at 1730pgccoffice@gmail.com

Blessings, PGCC staff

PLEASE DROP OFF FOOD FOR THE FOOD BANK

There is a large grey tub outside the church doors under the portico on the west side of the church. You can drop off your food there. Someone will pick it up each day.

DO YOU NEED SHOPPING ASSISTANCE

If you are at high-risk or not able to do your own shopping, you can request assistance through the PGCC Shopping Assistance Program. If you need assistance, please call the office at 916-771-4447.

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However, we are monitoring the phones, checking the mail and working to help you continue to grow in your relationship with Jesus.

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