
I was glad when they said unto me, Let us go into the house of the LORD – Psalm 122:1

The Northside church of Christ

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Visitors Welcomed!

Order of Services

Sunday

Bible Study 9:30 am

Worship Service 10:30 am & 5:00 pm

Wednesday

Bible Study 7:00 pm

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Evangelist: Guillermo Alvarez

And Pray For One Another – James 5:16

Please keep in your prayers those who are having physical troubles and those who are traveling. Also pray for the brethren that are shut-in:

Remember in your prayers:

*The Prayer Offered In Faith Will Restore
The One Who Is sick – James 5:15*



The
New
Northside Proclaimer

“What We Have... Heard We Proclaim To You...”

1 John 1:3

Welcome to the Northside Church of Christ

"Withdrawing"

Harold Hancock

When brothers or sisters among us are overtaken in sin, those who are spiritual seek to restore them (Gal. 6:2). We may instruct, admonish, and rebuke, but if all else fails, we must withdraw ourselves from them (2 Thess. 3:6). It is never pleasant, but it is needful to save their souls (1 Cor. 5:5) and to protect the church from evil influences (1 Cor. 5:6). It is what God commands (1 Cor. 5:11; 2 Thess. 3:10, 14).

"Withdrawing" means that we limit our association with brothers or sisters who have resisted the instruction and exhortation of the saints and who remain in sin. We should not associate with them in any way that would suggest that they are acceptable to the Lord or to us in their present condition. We must keep no company with them (1 Cor. 5:11); we must not eat with them (1 Cor. 5:11). This does not mean that these have become our enemy, but it should make them ashamed of their deeds and bring them to repentance (2 Thess. 3:14-15).

Those withdrawn from can usually live without our association; just robbing them of our presence is not what it is all about. It is the message that withdrawing sends that is important. Withdrawing is a "punishment inflicted by many" (2 Cor. 2:6). It says that many who are righteous agree that one who professed Christ as Lord has left His way and has refused, thus far, to return to Him. The righteous withdraw themselves from the one persistent in sin to make it vivid whose company this erring child of God is in, Satan and his servants, hence, "delivered unto Satan"! (1 Cor. 5:5). To know that those who are righteous judge them unrighteous should make them ashamed of their sinful deeds; they should be ashamed to stand in the company of Satan and the world instead of standing with Christ and His righteous ones. Furthermore,

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those who stand with Satan in this world will suffer hell's eternal torment with him in the world to come.

Withdrawing is one way God tries to get the attention of His children when they go astray. Some will heed His call, become ashamed, and repent. The hearts of others are hardened by the deceitfulness of sin; they never become ashamed of their sins or refuse to repent of them. We should make every effort to save those who err from the truth, even if it means withdrawing from them. If their hearts are right, God's plan will work.



Citizenship Conflicts

Mark White

Christians are “not of this world” according to our Master (John 18:36). Of course, necessity demands some involvement in the affairs of earth-life, but we must continually remind ourselves that “our citizenship is in heaven” (Phil. 3:20). The apostle Peter (1:1) referred to Christians as “strangers” (KJV) or “aliens” (NASB) He wanted them to see themselves as Jesus described them, “not of this world.”

But Christians have to be careful about their behavior among people who ARE of this world. Consider Peter’s instruction further in 1 Peter 2:11-12, “Beloved, I urge you as aliens and strangers to ... Keep your behavior excellent among the Gentiles, so that in the thing in which they slander you as evildoers, they may because of your good deeds, as they observe them, glorify God in the day of visitation.” (NASU) If we are not careful, our behavior among “Gentiles” can be counter-productive to our purpose in the world. Our purpose is to bring glory to God by helping others become citizens of heaven, too.

As difficult as it may be, this means we cannot become so engrossed in earthly concerns to the extent that we lose focus on our heavenly hope. Let the Gentiles be Gentiles, but keep yourselves pure (1 John 3:3).

Sunday Morning Lesson

Topic: _____

How can I apply this lesson to my life? _____
