



TRINITY

BAPTIST CHURCH

Monthly Newsletter

October 2018

Weekly Reports

Sept 2	
Sunday School	37
Discipleship Training	40
Offering	\$1,280.50
Bdgt. Requirement	\$2,720.69
Sept 9	
Sunday School	44
Discipleship Training	40
Offering	\$1864.50
Bdgt. Requirement	\$2,720.69
Sept 16	
Sunday School	42
Discipleship Training	40
Offering	\$1,048.00
Bdgt. Requirement	\$2,720.69
Sept 23	
Sunday School	39
Discipleship Training	40
Offering	\$3,235.50
Bdgt. Requirement	\$2,720.69
Sept 30	
Sunday School	38
Discipleship Training	40
Offering	\$1,496.00
Bdgt. Requirement	\$2,720.69
Offering Surplus or Deficit	
Five Weeks:	- \$ 4,678.95
YTD through August 31	- \$21,477.99

From Pastor Dale

Romans 12:19 NASB - "Never take your own revenge, beloved, but leave room for the wrath of God, for it is written, 'Vengeance is Mine, I will repay,' says the Lord."

There are many commands of God that seem plain and clear. They are so clear that we are sure we are living consistently with them. One of these is the one quoted above. Paul is quoting Deut. 32:35. Most of us consider ourselves guiltless of breaking this command because we don't understand the nature of vengeance. Most of us would say in our heart, "I am not a person who seeks revenge." We make such boasts even while harboring bitterness and anger in our hearts. Don't forget, Jesus says unjustified anger is breaking the Sixth Commandment. We are often guilty of vengeance or revenge even while we justify our actions and consider ourselves guiltless.

Vengeance is committed anytime someone seeks to wound another because he feels he has been wronged. The most common instrument is our tongue. Have you ever spoken words that were meant to wound, perhaps even to those we love? This is an act of vengeance. Have you ever given someone the "silent treatment" or gone about openly showing they have offended you, perhaps speaking to them in a manner that's curt or dismissive? This is vengeance. Have you ever gossiped about someone who has offended you? You feel justified in exposing their wrongdoing, perhaps even pretending righteous indignation. This is vengeance. The Bible gives us instruction in how we deal with a brother who has offended us. We go to him privately, and only as a last resort does the sin become public, and never as an act of revenge.

The Bible gives us clarity regarding vengeance. The Bible declares plainly that vengeance does not belong to you. God says, "Vengeance is Mine." The presupposition is you feel you have been wronged and are justified in seeking retribution. The other person deserves to suffer. The problem with this way of thinking is it crushes the Gospel. It pretends we have not sinned and we have the right to inflict judgment upon others. The plain truth is the worst thing someone has done to you cannot compare to the evil you have committed against Christ. Sadly, our hurt and pain cloud our thinking. They had no right to do that. They had no right to say that. I didn't deserve such treatment. This is our pride talking. Instead, we must cast our burdens at the foot of the cross. We must look to the Judge of all the earth and trust Him to bring justice in His time and in His way. We must trust Him to turn our sorrow into joy unspeakable as we remember the greatness of our own forgiveness through Jesus Christ.

Morsels For Meditation

"The sublimest virtue according to philosophy is to live the life of nature, but Scripture points us to the perfect Christ as our example."

- John Calvin

Pastor Dale Crawford



13th Gate
Tract Distribution
Friday, October 19th
7:00 pm

Monthly Calendar
at a Glance

- Oct. 2 - Ladies' Study
- Oct. 7 - Elder's Meeting
- Oct. 13 - Men's Study/Work Day
- Oct. 14 - Fellowship Meal
- Oct. 19 - 13th Gate Evangelism
- Oct. 21 - Deacon's Meeting
- Oct. 28 - Fellowship Meal



- Oct. 7
A.M. - William & Anisa
P.M. - Pat & Amy S.
DT - Pat & Karen
- Oct. 14
A.M. - Karen & Nicole
P.M. - Chad & Amy
DT - Pat & Karen
- Oct. 21
A.M. - Pat & Angela
P.M. - Carlo & Melody
DT - Pat & Karen
- Oct. 28
A.M. - Pat & Amy S.
P.M. - Chad & Amy
DT - Pat & Karen



Kitchen Duty

- Oct. 14
Angela Slayton
Emma Shelby
Grace Gayos
Sue Lanclos
- Oct. 28
Karen Dykes
Melody Gonzaga
Sophia Gonzaga
Anna Slayton



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Sun	Mon	Tue	Wed	Thu	Fri	Sat
	1	2 Ladies' Study 7:00 pm	3	4	5	6
7 Elder's Meeting 4:00 pm	8	9	10	11	12	13 Men's Study Work Day 7:00 am
14 Fellowship Meal	15	16	17	18	19 13th Gate Evangelism 7:00 pm	20
21 Deacon's Meeting 4:00 pm	22	23	24	25	26	27
28 Fellowship Meal	29	30	31			