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**Sundays**  
 Bible Study..... 9:30 AM  
 Worship..... 10:30 AM  
 Worship..... 6:00 PM

**Wednesdays**  
 Bible Study..... 7:30 PM

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Goals For 2022  
 Theme  
 Be Ye Imitators of Christ  
Attendance: Sunday Bible Study: 40:  
Sunday AM: 50  
Sunday PM: 40: Wednesday Bible Study: 30

Giving: Meet Our Yearly Budget

Invitations: 130

Every Member Committed To Daily Bible Reading

Every Member Committed To Daily Prayer

Every Member Committed To Be At Every Service

Support the Work in Vincennes, Indiana  
Hold A Men's Training Class

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**Gerald Barr is preaching today**

**We are now in week #12 of our Daily Bible Reading.**

**Prayer List**  
 Lynn Maudlin, Mark Maudlin  
 Sharon Nale, Polly Ward  
 Les & Novema Dunn  
 Debby Spears (Roseann's sis)  
 Sharon Thompson, Kay Thompson  
 The Wards & Beth McFarland  
 Brooke Thomas, Pam Caudill  
 Kahl/Lewellen family on recent passing of Dale Kahl

**About Our Father's Business:**

**Who Have You Invited To Services This week?**

**Lord's Supper Reading**  
 Heb. 9:11-14

**Scripture Reading**  
 AM: Matt. 10:24-28  
 PM: Gen. 1:26-27

**Encouragement Tally**  
 Invites this month: 0  
 Invites last month: 62  
 Visitors YTD: 0

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# The Clarksville Beacon

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**"Being Imitators of Christ"**  
 1 Cor. 11:1

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## FEAR

**Welcome!**  
 If you're visiting with us today, we want you to feel welcome and we want you to feel like our honored guest! We also want you to know that all we're interested in here at the Clarksville Church of Christ is the Truth. Jesus said, "You shall know the truth, and the truth shall make you free." John 8:32. The truth He's talking about is God's word. Jesus said, "Sanctify them by thy truth, Thy word is truth." John 17:17. Therefore we hope you'll appreciate that we'll give you book, chapter and verse from the Bible, the word of God, for everything that we say or do here today, so that everything that we do may bring glory unto God, I Pet. 4:11.

Fear implies anxiety and usually loss of courage. Fear of the unknown is also a major anxiety catalyst. Dread, also associated with fear, usually adds the idea of intense reluctance to face or meet a person or situation and suggests aversion as well as anxiety.

- Fear caused Abraham to lie about his wife - Genesis 20
- Fear caused Moses to flee Egypt - Exodus 2:15
- Fear almost prevented Moses from returning to Egypt - Exodus 3:1
- Fear caused Peter to deny Christ - John 18:25

Fear is one of Satan's greatest weapons

Be Fearless  
 Fearless -free from fear: Brave

- Be fearless like David - I Samuel 17
- Be fearless like Daniel - Daniel 6:1
- Be fearless like Caleb and Joshua - Numbers 14:38
- Be fearless like Shadrach, Meshach and Abednego - Daniel 3:13
- Be fearless like Peter - Acts 2

**Fear God and keep his commandments**  
 Proverbs 1:7; Matthew 10:28

Ecclesiastes 12:13  
 The conclusion, when everything has been heard, *is*: fear God and keep His commandments, because this *applies to* every person.

## Study Your Bible

**2 Tim. 2:14-16**

### Why should you study your bible?

To keep you from allowing culture to influence you: Judges 3:1-8; I Kings 11:1-8; Ezra 10:1-14; Matthew 19:1-12; I Corinthians 11:3

To Keep You from Being Lazy :2 Timothy 2:14-18; 2 Timothy 4:2-4; Titus 1:8-10; James 1:22-25

To keep you from taking anyone's opinion on a matter: 1 Timothy 1:2-4; 1 Timothy 6:2-4;

You are responsible for your salvation: Philippians 2:9-13; Romans 14:10-12

### **2 Timothy 2:14-16**

*<sup>14</sup> Remind them of these things, and solemnly exhort them in the presence of God not to dispute about words, which is useless and leads to the ruin of the listeners. <sup>15</sup> Be diligent to present yourself approved to God as a worker who does not need to be ashamed, accurately handling the word of truth. <sup>16</sup> But avoid worldly and empty chatter, for it will lead to further ungodliness,*

## You Were Made in the Image of GOD!

**Genesis 1:26-27**

*<sup>26</sup> Then God said, "Let us make mankind in our image, in our likeness, so that they may rule over the fish in the sea and the birds in the sky, over the livestock and all the wild animals, and over all the creatures that move along the ground."*

*<sup>27</sup> So God created mankind in his own image, in the image of God he created them; male and female he created them.*

It is so amazing that out of everything that was created by GOD, mankind was special in that we were created in the "image of GOD". This creation would be very special to GOD and one that He would love more than all the rest.

### **Being created in the image of GOD made man different from the rest of creation in several ways:**

I. Mankind has a soul and is eternal. Matthew 10:28 "And do not fear those who kill the body but cannot kill the soul. Rather fear him who can destroy both soul and body in hell."

II. Mankind has the right to choose between good and evil, serving GOD and serving Satan. Joshua in Joshua 24 had to make this very choice and he became a great example to us all. Joshua 24:14-16 states, "14 "Now, therefore, fear the Lord and serve Him in sincerity and truth; and do away with the gods which your fathers served beyond the Euphrates River and in Egypt, and serve the Lord. 15 But if it is disagreeable in your sight to serve the Lord, choose for yourselves today whom you will serve: whether the gods which your fathers served, which were beyond the Euphrates River, or the gods of the Amorites in whose land you are living; but as for me and my house, we will serve the Lord."16 The people answered and said, "Far be it from us that we would abandon the Lord to serve other gods;"

III. God wants mankind to dwell with him eternally and He provided a path of salvation through His son Jesus so this could be made possible. John 3:16 "For God so loved the world, that He gave His only Son, so that everyone who believes in Him will not perish, but have eternal life.

The love that GOD has for mankind is great and has been from the very beginning. GOD wants us to love Him the way He has loved us, but He also wants us to love each other in the same way. Matthew 22:36 "Teacher, which is the great commandment in the Law?" 37 And He said to him, "'You shall love the Lord your God with all your heart, and with all your soul, and with all your mind.' 38 This is the great and foremost commandment. 39 The second is like it, 'You shall love your neighbor as yourself.' 40 Upon these two commandments hang the whole Law and the Prophets."

The next time you are having a bad day or you thinking that you might not be that special, remember you were made in the image of GOD. That makes Him your father and you His child. You have many of His great qualities. With Him on your side anything is possible. Philippians 4:13 states, "I can do all things through Him who strengthens me."

Lastly, as you look around each day at all of the people in your school, your office or at the grocery store remember that each and every person was also made in the image GOD. They are all very special. God's wants all of them to come home to him. 1 Timothy 2:3-4, "3 This is good, and pleases God our Savior, 4 who wants all people to be saved and to come to a knowledge of the truth."

God wants all of us to love each other. Love someone today by telling them about the love their Father has for them and they are made in the image of GOD.

*Gerald Barr*