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With Him

We all like to be “with” others. It’s part of our nature. We were not meant to be alone. Shortly after man was created, the LORD said in Genesis 2:18, “*It is not good that the man should be alone; I will make him an help meet for him.*”

We like to be with others in life. We enjoy a trip to a new place far more when we are with someone. When one is sick and in the hospital, they let family members stay with them. They know the importance of the healing process to the mind to have those who love you with you.

When you read the terrible cruelty inflicted upon Jesus before and during his crucifixion, it hurts us. It moves our hearts even to the point of desiring that we wish we could have been there to do something for the LORD. Though it’s physically impossible for us to be there with Him since it was 2,000 years ago, we can still be with Him when we obey the LORD. We cannot be there to actually comfort Him, but we are with Him in many ways.

We like to be with family members when they are suffering. We should be with them. They need and take comfort from us being with them. We are not only with Christ in His sufferings but we are actually partakers of His sufferings. I Peter 4:13, “*But rejoice, inasmuch as ye are partakers of Christ's sufferings; that, when his glory shall be revealed, ye may be glad also with exceeding joy.*” How much comfort it is to someone when we partake of their sufferings with them. When we are living for the LORD we can partake of His sufferings even 2,000 years after His death.

There are three verses in Romans 6 that show how we can be with Him.

Romans 6:4, “*Therefore we are buried with him by baptism into death: that like as Christ was raised up from the dead by the glory of the Father, even so we also should walk in newness of life.*” I could not be there and be buried with the LORD, but I am buried with Him by baptism. I can by my obedience in baptism be there and part of His burial.

Roman 6:6, “*Knowing this, that our old man is crucified with him, that the body of sin might be destroyed, that henceforth we should not serve sin.*” I can think of no more horrible death and suffering than that which the LORD suffered upon the cross. We could not be there to be crucified with him, but we are there when we obey. Our old man is crucified with him.

Romans 6:8, “*Now if we be dead with Christ, we believe that we shall also live with him.*” Not only are we buried and crucified with Christ, we are dead with Him. This death leads to life. This verse tells us that we are not only dead with Him, but we shall live with him.

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News

—Continue to remember **Sally Marshall, Jewell Watkins, Jean Coffey, Alice Thrasher, Steve Seaton, and Brad Terry. Wanda Bozarth**, the mother of Ruby Edwards, has gotten much better and was able to attend both services last Sunday and this past Wednesday evening. Ruby spent almost two weeks in Arkansas during her recovery, but is back home. **Herbert and Betty Franklin**, parents of Stewart, who were involved in an automobile accident continue to recover nicely.

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There is another “with” that is the end result of our suffering, dying, and being buried with the LORD. Paul in talking about the time when the LORD returns, said in I Thessalonians 4:17, “*Then we which are alive and remain shall be caught up together with them in the clouds, to meet the Lord in the air: and so shall we ever be with the Lord.*”

We love being with our loved ones. How wonderful and blessed it will be to ever be with the LORD. —Marty Edwards❖

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Job 23:12, “*I have esteemed the words of his mouth more than my necessary food.*”

We all enjoy good food and probably have certain foods that we enjoy much more than others. Food is not only enjoyable, but it’s necessary. Even a few hours without food we begin to feel the need to eat. If denied food for very long, we feel the emptiness and grow weaker until we can once again partake of food.

Job said he esteemed the words of His mouth more than his necessary food. The word of God meant more to Job than food. In the same way, when we go for a period of time without food, we grow
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Sunday, July 2, 2017

Classes	11	I Thessalonians 2:1-8
Preaching	16	Romans 6:1-23
Contribution	\$652.00	
Evening	12	Singing (Psalm 99:1-9)

Wednesday, July 5, 2017

Classes	12	Hosea 11:1-12
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Visitors— Jul 5 (PM) Janie Cline (Park City, KY)

Bible Quiz

The LORD shall roar like a what?

Last Week’s Answer— Upon the sand of the sea (Revelation 13:1)

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weaker and will continue to do so until death sets in— spiritual death.

Let’s partake of the word of God so often that we never once feel the weakness or hunger pangs of being away from the precious words of the Bible.

—Marty Edwards❖

—God’s Plan of Salvation—

1. Hear the Gospel (Romans 10:14)
2. Believe on the Lord and His Word (Mark 16:16; John 8:24)
3. Repent of your sins (Luke 13:3,5; Acts 17:30)
4. Confess Christ (Matthew 10:32,33; Luke 12:8; Romans 10:9)
5. Be baptized (immersed in water) for the remission of sins (Acts 2:38; Mark 16:16; Galatians 3:27; I Peter 3:21)
6. Live a faithful, dedicated life (Revelation 2:10; II Peter 1:5-10)