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III John 2, *“Beloved, I wish above all things that thou mayest prosper and be in health, even as thy soul prospereth.”*

It’s not uncommon for us to become sick. We live in a world where anything from the common cold to more serious diseases and accidents plague our bodies. Whatever malady we might have, we are uncomfortable and often miserable until it passes.

John was writing to Gaius whom he called well beloved. John wished upon Gaius that he would prosper and be in health as his soul was. I can’t help but think what if our physical health was dependent upon our spiritual health. Just how well would we feel?

We as a society are greatly focused upon our physical health. Medicines are dispensed freely, medical costs are astronomical. It’s often hard to see a doctor and many are not taking new patients.

Many wear devices to track how far they walk everyday and set goals they are driven to meet. Let’s have the same attitude toward our

spiritual health. Let’s make sure that we attend every service, read the Bible daily, and pray without ceasing. Our physical health is important, but only for a few years at most. Our spiritual health matters eternally. Take care of it first and foremost.

What if our physical health depended upon how healthy our souls are? Would we be a picture of health or sickly and ready to die. John wrote in Revelation 3:2, *“Be watchful, and strengthen the things which remain, that are ready to die: for I have not found thy works perfect before God.”*

—Marty Edwards❖

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Hosea 4:6, *“My people are destroyed for lack of knowledge.”*

I’ve often quoted the first part of Hosea 4:6 in thinking how far away the world is from the word of God. They are and it’s our solemn responsibility to preach and proclaim and bring as many as we can to the LORD.

But, the first word of that verse is “my.” It’s God’s own people who should know and obey the word of God who have the lack of knowledge.

There is no reason for us to be without a strong knowledge of God’s word. The word is all about us. For us today, there are ample copies of the Bible. It’s available on every computer, tablet, and smart phone. Even in times of old, Moses wrote that it was not far from them.

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Sunday 9 AM & 6 PM — Wednesday 6 PM

News

—Continue to remember **Sally Marshall, Jewell Watkins, Jean Coffey, Alice Thrasher, Steve Seaton, Kenneth Compton, and Brad Terry.**

—Ruby and I have been with the Munfordville congregation 24 years this Sunday. Our first Sunday here was September 6, 1992.



Birthdays & Anniversaries

Mylaka Quigley — September 11
Mike & Kathy Burd — September 22
Mark Quigley — September 24



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Deuteronomy 30:12-14 says referring to the word of God, “¹²*It is not in heaven, that thou shouldest say, Who shall go up for us to heaven, and bring it unto us, that we may hear it, and do it? ¹³Neither is it beyond the sea, that thou shouldest say, Who shall go over the sea for us, and bring it unto us, that we may hear it, and do it? ¹⁴But the word is very nigh unto thee, in thy mouth, and in thy heart, that thou mayest do it.*

Is the word truly in our hearts and in our mouths? It’s all about us, but might not be part of us. The word needs to be part of us. We are told in James 1:21, “*Receive with meekness the engrafted word, which is able to save your souls.*”

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Sunday, August 28, 2016		
Classes	21	Ephesians 2:11-18
Preaching	22	Mark 5; Luke 8 (Legion)
Contribution	\$689.00	
Evening	19	Proverbs 13:1-25
Wednesday, August 31, 2016		
Classes	16	Nehemiah 1:1-11

Visitors— Aug 28 (PM) Emaleigh & Brenna Board
(Elizabethtown, KY)

Bible Quiz

What position with the king did Nehemiah have?

Last Week’s Answer— A virtuous woman (Proverbs 12:4)

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It’s sad that the LORD had to even write that His people were destroyed for lack of knowledge. Let’s learn all we can about the word of God and use that knowledge to lead us to eternal life.

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—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)