

"We Will Boast In The Flesh Or In Christ!"
Galatians 6:11-18

"You adulterous people (*spiritually unfaithful!*) Do you not know that friendship (love) with the world (*self-glory, self-satisfied, self-indulgence*) is enmity (*an enemy of or in conflict with*) with God? Therefore whoever wishes to be a friend of the world makes himself an enemy of God" (James 4:4).

"For they loved the glory that comes from man more than the glory that comes from God" (John 12:43).

"Not that we dare to classify or compare ourselves with some of those who are commending themselves (*by external factors*). But when they measure themselves by one another and compare themselves with one another (*for the praise of men*), they are without understanding (*self-centered and self-deceived*)" (2 Corinthians 10:12).

"When we desire the praise of men in our doing, we are doing a "praise-craving" thing. When we desire God to be praised in our doing, we are doing the praiseworthy thing. We are either seeking eternal rewards or little rewards."

"There are two kinds of pride: The pride of the "strong" that praises themselves and the pride of the weak that craves the praise of others."

- Galatians 6:11
 - Paul had a scribe to transcribe his letters (Romans 16:22), but most often he would write the end of the letter with his own hand in a different style, that the receivers of this letter would know it was from Paul (1 Corinthians 16:21-23; Colossians 4:18). *"I, Paul, write this greeting with my own hand. This is the sign of genuineness in every letter of mine; it is the way I write. The grace of our Lord Jesus Christ be with you all."* (2 Thessalonians 3:17-18)
- Galatians 6:12-16
 - (verse 12) The False Teachers were teaching that people needed to be circumcised to be saved (Galatians 5:2-4). They knew that if they convinced Christians to be circumcised they could escape the persecution that was coming from the Jews (Acts 15:1,4; Acts 21:21,28). They were trying to gain the approval of the world and the church by compromising the Scriptures.
 - (verse 13) Paul was establishing that in their attempt to be loved by the world/Jews they were showing themselves to be hypocrites. They could never keep the Law (Galatians 5:3), because if the Law is not kept perfectly, you are guilty of breaking all of it...*"For whoever keeps the whole law but fails in one point has become guilty of all of it."* (James 2:10)
 - (verse 14-15) There is nothing for us to give ourselves praise or glory for, everything that we have is from God...*"What do you have that you did not receive? If then you received it, why do you boast as if you did not receive it?"* (1 Corinthians 4:7). Paul is dead to the praise of men and the accolades of men (Galatians 1:10; Philippians 3:7-8). Christ receives the glory for our transformed life (Galatians 3:1-3). We will only enjoy the peace and mercy of God when we walk in reliance on the Holy Spirit (Galatians 5:24-26).
- Galatians 6:17-18
 - When we reject this world and its pursuits and faithfully preach the gospel, we will bear the marks of Christ in our lives...

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Worship: Bless The Lord, O My Soul (Psalm 103) — Sovereign Grace Music Your Love Oh Lord — Third Day
Be Thou My Vision — Norton Hall Band **Closing Song:** O Lord My Rock And My Redeemer — Sovereign Grace Music
Service Times: Sundays: Prayer 4:30/Church 5:30; Tuesdays: (In-Home) Bible Study: Women 6:30/Men 6:30 & 7; Thursdays: Prayer 6:20/Church 7

“Woe to you, when all people speak well of you, for so their fathers did to the false prophets” (Luke 6:26).
 “Blessed are you when others revile you and persecute you and utter all kinds of evil against you falsely on My account. Rejoice and be glad, for your reward is great in heaven, for so they persecuted the prophets who were before you” (Matthew 5:11-12). “If the world hates you, know that it has hated Me before it hated you. If you were of the world, the world would love you as its own; but because you are not of the world, but I chose you out of the world, therefore the world hates you” (John 15:18-19).

Account Balance: \$32,007.72 March Balance: \$32,165.74	Weekly Budget: \$3,290
Total Giving: April 2	\$7,685.00
Total Giving: April 9	\$2,177.00
Total Giving: April 16	\$1,805.00
Total Giving: April 23	\$2,226.00
Total Giving: April 30	\$1,617.70

Announcements:

★**HEALTHTREE MOVES FOR MYELOMA:** We are putting together a team to participate in the 5K/1 M Walk happening in ONE month, on Saturday, June 3rd at Wolfe Park in Columbus, Ohio. If you are interested in participating in this, please see the board on the back table for more information, or see Joel Decker for any questions you may have. To register for the event, you will need to go online and register with Team Legacy.

★**TRANSMISSION OF SCRIPTURE:** We will be starting a new Sunday Teaching Class in TWO WEEKS, on Sunday, May 21st. This class will be on the transmission of Scripture — how we got the Bible. It will be every Sunday, from 4-5pm, in the Fellowship Hall. This is a 6 week class that will be taught by Pastor Jeremey. There is a sign-up list on the table in the entryway, if you are interested in participating in this class, please sign-up!

★**FELLOWSHIP DINNER:** We are having a Fellowship Dinner TONIGHT immediately following the worship service. EVERYONE is invited to stay to enjoy the dinner and fellowship with us.

★**DONATIONS:** Throughout the month of May we are collecting monetary donations for the Christian Union Summer Camps. Each summer our denomination hosts 3 weeks of church camps in Greenfield, Ohio for children ages 9-18. Your monetary donations would help with the cost of purchasing food for these church camps, in order to not increase the price of camp for each child. For more information about the denomination and about the church camps themselves, please see the board on the back table. There is a container on the back table for your monetary donations. You can also give on Venmo, please make sure to note that it is a donation for the Summer Camps.

★**MEMBERS MEETING:** We will be having a Members Meeting on Sunday, May 28th, immediately following the worship service. This meeting will be to vote on the budget options and the proposed By-Law changes and additions that were presented at the Members Meeting last month. If you are a current church member, please plan to stay for this meeting.