

RELIGION

SCRIPTURE OF THE WEEK
PROVERBS: Chapter 14



It Is Better To Suffer For Doing Good

by Mattie Ann Callier-Spears

Everyone should be like one big happy family, full of sympathy toward each other, loving one another with tender hearts and humble minds. Don't repay evil for evil. Don't snap back at those who say unkind things about you. Instead, pray for God's help for them, for we are to be kind to others, and God will bless us for it.

If you want a happy, good life, keep control of your tongue, and guard your lips from telling lies. Turn away from evil and do good. Try to live in peace even if you must run after it to catch it and hold it! For the Lord is watching his children, listening to their prayers; but the Lord's face is hard against those who do evil.

Usually no one will hurt you for wanting to do good. But even if they should, you are to be envied, for God will reward you for it. Quietly trust yourself to Christ, your Lord, and if anybody asks why you believe as you do, be ready to tell him, and do it in a gentle and respectful way.

Do what is right; then if men speak against you, calling you evil names, they will become ashamed of themselves for falsely accusing you when you have only done what is good. Remember, if God wants you to suffer, it is better to suffer for doing good than for doing wrong!

Christ also suffered. He died once for the sins of all us guilty sinners, although he himself was innocent of any sin at any time, that he might bring us safely home to God. But though his body died, his spirit lived on. It was in the Holy Spirit that he visited the spirits in prison, and preached to them—spirits of those who, long before in the days of Noah, had refused to listen to God, though he waited patiently for them while Noah was building the ark. Yet only eight persons were saved from drowning in the terrible flood.

That, by the way, is what baptism pictures for us: In baptism we show that we have been saved from death and doom by the resurrection of Christ; not because our bodies are washed clean by the water, but because in being baptized we are turning to God and asking him to cleanse our hearts from sin.

Now, Christ is in heaven, sitting in the place of honor next to God the Father, with all the angels and powers of heaven bowing before him and obeying him.

Seventh Anniversary Celebration

The Christ Memorial Church of God In Christ is located on 1553 N. Killingsworth, commemorating the 7th Anniversary of their pastor & wife Rev. & Mrs. Roy L. Tate.

Through prayer, faith, steadfastness, and commitment, The Pastor & Missionary Tate have extended themselves, and have shown the dedication necessary to complete the task set before them. By doing this, the Lord has allowed them to reach into the community in a positive and forceful way for Christ.

The public is invited to join in this celebration, starting Wednesday, Sept. 21 through Saturday, Sept. 24 at 7:30 p.m. Sunday, Sept. 25 the service will begin at 3:00 p.m.

The theme this year is: "To Know Them Is To Love Them."

This year the guest churches includes: Emmanuel Temple, Bishop AA Wells; Art of Safety, Bishop U.V. Peterson; Philadelphia Baptist, Rev. McSwain; Greater Solid Rock, Bishop A.R. Hopkins; Albina Church of God, Rev. S. Irving; St. Luke Memorial, Rev. L. Adams; Lighthouse, Rev. T. Moore; Neighborhood Church of God, Rev. C. Hunter; Union Baptist, Rev. J. Meyers.

Come expecting to hear—Great singing and preaching every night.

Since Christ suffered and underwent pain, you must have the same attitude he did; you must be ready to suffer, too. For remember, when your body suffers, sin loses its power, and you won't be spending the rest of your life chasing after evil desires, but will be anxious to do the will of God. You have had enough in the past of the evil things the godless enjoy—sex sin, lust, getting drunk, wild parties, drinking bouts, and the worship of idols, and other terrible sins.

Of course, your former friends will be very surprised when you don't eagerly join them any more in the wicked things they do, and they will laugh at you in contempt and scorn. But just remember, they must face the Judge of all, living and dead; they will be punished for the way they have lived. That is why the Good News was preached even to those who were dead—killed by the flood (refer to paragraph 5)—so that although their bodies were punished with death, they could still live in their spirits as God lives.

The end of the world is coming soon. Therefore be earnest, thoughtful men of prayer. Most important of all, continue to show deep love for each other, for love makes up for many of your faults. Cheerfully share your home with those who need a meal or a place to stay for the night.

God has given each of you some special abilities; be sure to use them to help each other, passing on to others God's many kinds of blessings. Are you called to preach? Then—preach as though God himself were speaking through you. Are you called to help others? Do it with all the strength and energy that God supplies, so that God will be glorified through Jesus Christ—to him be glory and power forever and ever. Amen.

COMMUNITY HAPPENINGS

FESTIVAL OF TRUTH CRUSADE: The Sharon Church, located at 5209 N.E. 22nd Avenue, will present "A Festival of Truth Crusade" beginning 9/18 through 9/29. Sunday - Wednesday and then Friday and Saturday each week. Services will be held at 7:30 p.m. Guest speaker will be Elder Reginald O. Robinson from 1,000 Oaks, California. The Breath of Life Quartet is from Washington D.C. Elder Alphonso McCarthy, pastor.

GOSPEL MUSIC WORKSHOP: Beginning September 21 through September 24, 1988, the New Hope Missionary Baptist Church will host its annual Gospel Music Workshop. The guest conductor will be the renowned Kenneth Jones, Minister of Music at the Tabernacle Missionary Baptist Church in Seattle, Washington. Registration \$5.00, beginning at 6:30 p.m. on 9/21/88. The workshop will begin at 7:00 p.m. nightly. 3725 N. Gantenbein, Portland, Oregon. Call 281-0163.

JUBILEE SINGERS CELEBRATE 9th YEAR: The Jubilee Singers of the Mount Olivet Baptist Church will celebrate their 9th year in concert at 5:00 p.m. in the evening on September 25, 1988. The doors of the church will open early so you can get a seat. The program will be taped and cassettes will be made available by ordering them after the concert. The church is located at 116 Northeast Schuyler Street and First Avenue. For further information call — 284-1954. Rev. Dr. James Martin, pastor.

BLOOD PRESSURE CLINIC: Bethel AME Church, 5828 Northeast 8th Avenue, hosts a Blood Pressure Screening Clinic in conjunction with Community Care every Tuesday, 8 a.m.-Noon. Visit the Clinic to prevent increased risk of stroke, heart failure, kidney and heart attack.

VOLUNTEERS ARE NEEDED: Volunteers are seriously needed with the Blood Pressure Clinic. Your service is very valuable. Please let us know if you are available to work in our clinic and what hours are convenient for you. Please call Mrs. Lenora Morris afternoons at 281-7139.

SATURDAY SCHOOL: The Saturday School is being sponsored by the Black United Front. Classes begin this fall for grades 1-6. NO CHARGE. Volunteer teachers are needed. Call Avel Gordly or Karen Powell, 230-9427.

CALLIGRAPHY CLASS: Starting Oct. 3, 1988, Calligraphy Classes will be held each Monday evening at the Mount Olivet Baptist Church, 116 N.E. Schuyler St. at 6 p.m. Classes are for beginning and advanced students. Contact Ms. Jean Stuart at 284-1954 for information on materials needed.

AWARENESS SHOP: A Youth Awareness Workshop will be held at Portland Community College on Saturday, Sept. 24, 1988 from 9:30 a.m. to 3 p.m. Topic: "Gangs and Gang Violence." Registration Fee - \$2. Call 240-5300 for further information.

JOB OPENINGS: A high school male is needed September through May for the after-school program at the Mallory Avenue Christian Church, 126 N.E. Alberta from 3 p.m. to 5:30 p.m. Call 288-5173 for further information.

UTS INSTITUTE WEEK: Monday, Sept. 19 through Sept. 23 is the United Theological Seminary's Institute Week. Dr. Benjamin Martin, President of the Seminary will be speaking each night. Choirs, from churches in the community, will provide the music. On Friday, Sept. 23, there will be a belated graduation-promotion service. Class time is 6:15 - 7:15 p.m. each night of Institute Week. Worship Service will begin at 7:30 p.m. Dr. Joe S. Hardie, Director.

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By the dreams you strive to reach—
You can shape or form the future
By some hard-sought fact they teach.

Choose the good you want to happen—
It surrounds you in the "now".
You can make or change the present...
Let God's wisdom show you how!

Take the path that seems to open:
For you're walking it today!
You can even change tomorrow
If you let God show the way!

Roxie Lusk Smith

In Memory Of ...

SYLVESTER GILBERT ROBERTS, JR.

September 2, 1930 - September 5, 1988

Funeral services were held at the Emmanuel C.O.G.I.C. United on 4800 N.E. 30th Ave. on Monday, Sept. 12, 1988 at 11 a.m. Burial was at Skyline Memorial Cemetery. Mr. Roberts was never employed because of his disability. He is survived by three sisters, Mary E. Howell of Portland, Josephine Lenard and Dianne M. Storey of Portland and one brother, James B. Storey of Los Angeles, California, and numerous friends and relatives. Both parents are deceased.

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man shall see the
Lord

HEBREWS 12:14

	Tuesday:	7:30 p.m.
	Thursday:	7:00 p.m.
	Sunday:	9:15 a.m.
		11:15 a.m.
		6:30 p.m.
		8:00 p.m.
	Tuesday - Friday	
	Noon Day Prayer	
	Friday	
	"The Pastor Speaks"	7:30 p.m.
	Saturday	
	Morning Prayer	9:00 a.m.

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