

MORE TO LIFE THROUGH GOD

A Trusting Mind, by April Coonfare

We must not only know, but apply the Word of God in our everyday lives like King David and Apostle Paul did. We must submit ourselves humbly to God and seek to always do His will no matter what happens in our journey of life. Strongholds will be pulled down as we read in Philippians 2:5 "let this mind be in us, which was also in Christ Jesus." I read somewhere before that we need to "let the mind of the master be the master of your mind". It is our choice to allow our minds to be controlled in that thinking.

Having a trusting mind is when circumstances threaten to toss us into a whirlwind of despair, doubt and depression, we have to make the choice to trust God with our situation.

"Be careful for nothing; but in everything by prayer and supplication with thanksgiving let your requests be made known unto God. And the peace of God, which passeth all understanding, shall keep your hearts and minds through Christ Jesus." (Philippians 4:6)

This passage of scripture is saying that having a mind controlled with the peace of God is conditional. It is rather for us to trust God, than choose to be anxious when problems arise. Trust is a choice we make. God has given us free will as to what will control the realm of our thought life.

Putting your trust in God will not only carry you through the storm, but it will give you peace within while you are going through the storm.

"But without faith it is impossible to please him: for he that cometh to God must believe that he is and that he is a rewarder of them that diligently seek him." Hebrews 11:6

Fear is the total opposite of faith, and if we don't have faith it is impossible to please God.

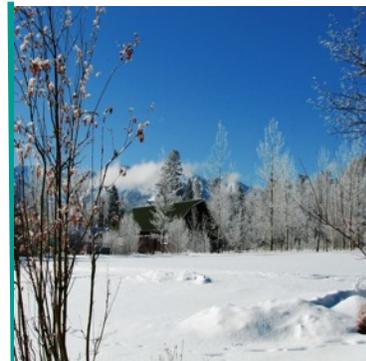
"Let not our heart be troubled, neither let it be afraid." John 14:27

Here are those words "let not". To have fear is clearly a choice. We must not allow our mind to be ruled by fear or influenced by the reality of our sometimes stressful and agonizing circumstances.

"For God hath not given us the spirit of fear; but of power, and of love, and of a sound mind." 2 Timothy 1:7

No matter what strategy the enemy uses, we have been given power over it. A mind that rests calmly in God's love by faith will not be ruled by circumstances and emotions. Faith and trust are the greatest defense against fear.

FEBRUARY 2013



**PENTECOSTALS
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SERVICE TIMES

SUNDAY

10 AM

5:30 PM

WEDNESDAY- 7 PM

SATURDAY

PRAYER- 7 PM

**February 8-10
Family, Marriage, &
Relationship Seminar**

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A TESTIMONY FROM OKI HUI WOEPPEL

This is the testimony of how God changed my life; that is “How I came to be a Christian.” In my first years in Billings, Montana I went to a small Korean church near South Park. They were having a revival. During the service I went to the alter and prayed. While I was praying it felt like someone had hit me on the back. My body started to shake. The shaking lasted for two weeks. I couldn’t sit down.

My mom was raised as a Buddhist. She also had participated in and practiced witchcraft. She had an evil spirit inside her. She had a very hard life. I thought about her a lot. I prayed for her all the time. I asked God to change her life. I wanted her to accept Jesus as her Lord and Savior.

I prayed night and day for my mother. Every morning I rode my bicycle to the little Korean church to pray for my mother. I did this for six days a week. ON Sundays, my husband, Leonard, would take me to church to pray for a few minutes. I remember I prayed every morning at 9:00 a.m. I also prayed at 10:30 p.m. every day. Even when I was sick or my body hurt I always went there to pray. Even when I had company at my home it would not deter me from my prayer time. When I was sick I would cover my upper body with a blanket and pray at home.

I knew how important it was for my mom to go to heaven. I felt that if my mom was going to hell, I wouldn’t be going to heaven. I had a heavy burden for my family in South Korea.

Each day I prayed on my knees four to five hours a day Even when I visited my friend’s home I continued to pray. I fasted three days. No food; just drinking water at meal times. No juice, no coffee, nothing except water.

When I prayed the Lord spoke to me. I asked what the right thing to do was. He said “Go and I will be with you to the end.” Eventually I was able to return to Korea for a visit. I was able to reach my family for Jesus. My mom and dad accepted Jesus as their savior.

It was only when God raised my mom from her death bed during my visit that she and father converted to Christianity. Because she lived in a rural part of South Korea, she always grew a large garden to feed her family. As part of her taking care of her garden she visited the garden twice a day to check on how things were growing. Each time she went, she prayed to God that things would grow so she could feed her family and have something to barter with so she could trade or sell for other necessities. God answered her prayers and the garden always grew well. IN time of drought when other farmer’s gardens would die off her garden prospered and produced prodigiously God answered her prayers and she never failed to thank him for all the good things that grew in her garden My mother’s prayers to God were always answered.

One day my daughter was very sick. He had a high fever. She was 8 or 9 at the time, and I had gone to church for services. I had left Florence at home and when I returned I discovered my daughter was very hot. It felt like she was burning up immediately began to pray for my daughter and God spoke to me and said she was healed. The very next morning her fever had dissipated. She felt well and went to school. God healed her!

One summer my oldest grandson came for a visit. It was Wednesday and we were preparing to go to church. He followed me wherever I went. I asked him if he was okay He said his head hurt very badly. I prayed for him. Immediately the pain went away and he was able to go to church. He said the pain was gone. God had healed him.

I am thankful that my parents came to the Lord Everyday they start their day with prayer at 4:00 a.m. My parents think church is special. One time my mom injured her foot with a bad fracture. They had to put a cast on it The doctor said she might need surgery to help her heal faster. When the doctor checked on her at recovery he discovered she had healed very quickly and would put her in a little wagon and take her to church for 4:00 a.m. prayer despite illness or injury they are determined not to miss daily prayer and every Sunday service as well.

Eventually they moved nearer other family members in Seoul. My father is 87 and my mom is 80. They walk an hour to church on Sunday and an hour back home. They very rarely miss church. They love God very, very much.

My father has said if there was no other way he would crawl to church. My mom and dad have been baptized in Jesus name and received the Holy Spirit.

I try to pray at least an hour a day. Sometimes when I wash the dishes I play Christian music tapes and sing along with them. Sometimes I feel God’s presence so strongly I will stop working and praise and dance before the Lord.

Judges 6:37-38 (Gideon’s Story)

“Behold, I will put a fleece of wool in the floor; and if the dew be on the fleece only, and it be dry upon all the earth beside, then shall I know that thou will save Israel by mind hand, as thou has said. And it was so; for he rose up early on the morrow and thrust the fleece together, and wringed out the entire fleece, a bowl full of water.”

Gideon prayed and the Lord answered. The Lord still answers our prayers today.

Thank you Lord for giving me wisdom to write this testimony. Thank You Jesus for answering my prayers.

In Jesus Name, Amen

Mealtime As A Family



Amid busy and varied schedules, many families find a way to sit down together for dinner regularly. Family-health advocates describe the benefits: an increased sense of unity, children sharing news and feeling listened to, and the physical perks of a planned, seated meal.

In Scripture, many great encounters between people and God happen around meals. Abraham and Sarah prepare a meal for three guests who turn out to be angels (Genesis 18). God instructs the Hebrew slaves to eat a special meal together before their delivery from Egypt (Exodus 12); every year since, Jews have celebrated the Passover feast. Elijah is strengthened with food served by an angel (1 Kings 19). Jesus shares meals not only with religious leaders but with “sinners” (e.g., Matthew 9). Jesus’ Last Supper with his disciples before his death was a feast that is well known as a great meal.

When Christian families eat together, it is a great time of fellowship amongst the members to truly connect and unite together.

Marriage, Family, and Relationship Seminar with Brother James Hughes

WHEN: February 8-10, 2013

WHERE: Pentecostals of Billings

Why should you attend? Well, marriages either get better or they get worse. There is never a stand still. Gain ways to make it a better marriage. This seminar will also equip you to minister to those that are around you that may be suffering in their relationship and they turn to you for advice. Most people turn to their friends long before going to a counselor. Brother Hughes will give you insights based on sound biblical principles.

Having a biblically based marriages is a big key in a successful marriage. Putting God and His Word in the middle of your marriage will help your marriage to grow significantly. This is for all aged married couples, engaged couples, and everyone and anyone that would like to improve their relationship skills.

Mark your calendar now!

CHURCH PRAYER REQUESTS

Minnie Hampton
Tyler Sapp
Louie & Dale Dauenhauer
Michael Kruger
The Ehler family
Marty McFate
Carol Penrod
Galen Walter
Susan Sifuentes
The Woeppel family
The Plainfeather/Black Eagle family
The Lost Souls in Billings

If you have a prayer request that you want posted for others to pray for please submit them to my email: coonfare03@yahoo.com





February 2013

SUN

MON

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WED

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FRI

SAT

					1 Men's Bible Study 6:30 AM	2 Prayer 7 pm
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<i>Relationship Seminar 7 pm Friday; 10 am Saturday</i>						
10 <i>Special Services 10 am & 6 pm Dr. James Hughes</i>	11	12	13 <i>7 pm Special Service Rev. Erpelding</i>	14	15 Men's Bible Study 6:30 AM	16 Prayer 7 pm
17	18	19	20	21	22 Men's Bible Study 6:30 AM	23 Prayer 7 pm
24 10 AM Life Class 10:30 SERVICE	25	26	27	28		

RECIPE OF THE MONTH

BAKED POTATO SOUP



Ingredients:

- 2 russet potatoes, washed and dried**
- 1 small head of cauliflower, stem removed cut into florets**
- 1 1/2 cups fat free chicken broth**
- 1 1/2 cups 1% reduced-fat milk**
- salt and freshly cracked black pepper**
- 1/2 cup light sour cream**
- 10 tbsp reduced-fat shredded sharp cheddar cheese**
- 6 tbsp chopped chives, divided**
- 3 slices bacon, cooked and crumbled (you can use turkey bacon if you prefer)**

Directions:

Pierce potatoes with a fork; microwave on high for 5 minutes turn over and microwave another 3 - 5 minutes, until tender. Or if you prefer to use your oven, bake at 400° for 1 hour or until tender. Cool. Peel potatoes.

Meanwhile, steam cauliflower with water in a large covered pot until tender. Drain and return to pot. On medium heat, add chicken broth, milk, potatoes and bring to a boil. Use an immersion blender to puree until smooth. Add sour cream, half the chives, salt and pepper and cook on low another 5-10 minutes, stirring occasionally.

Remove from heat. Ladle 1 cup soup into each bowl. Top each serving with 2 tbsp cheese, remaining chives, and bacon.

UpComing Events:



February 8-10 - Dr. James Hughes- Relationship Seminar

February 13 - Special Service with Rev. Ron Erpelding

February 24 - 10 AM Discipleship Training (Life Class)

February 24 - 10:30 AM Worship Celebration - One service!

March 2- Quiz Tournament

March 31- Easter Service AM

SPIRITUAL WARFARE PRAYER

In the next coming months I am going to be adding a prayer tool for those expanded prayer times in your life that can change your life, the church and all you do.

These tools will help you to push back darkness and go push forward in your walk with God.

Mark 1:35 “*And in the morning, rising up a great while before day, he went out, and departed into a solitary place, and there prayed.*”

WORDS OF INSIGHT

1 John 4:6

“We are of God; he that knoweth God heareth us; he that is not of God heareth not us. Hereby know the spirit of truth and the spirit of error”

Psalms 51:10

“Create in me a clean heart, O God; and renew a right spirit within me.”



Warfare Prayer by Binding and Loosing

Binding: Forbidding, to prohibit

Loosing: Permitting, to permit

BIND: SPIRIT OF ERROR

ERROR: Proverbs 14:22/ 1John 4:6 / 2 Peter 3:16, 17

UNSUBMISSIVE: Proverbs 29:1 / John 4:6

UNTEACHABLE: Proverbs 10:17; 12:1; 13:18; 15:10/ 2 Timothy 4:1-4

DEFENSIVE-ARGUMENTATIVE: 2 Peter 2

New Age Movement: 2 Peter 2:10

Contentions: James 3:16

Servant of Corruption: 2 Peter 2:19

False Doctrines: 1 Timothy 6:20, 2 Timothy 4:3/Titus 3:10



BUILDING BLOCKS SMALL GROUP STUDY



**Sermon
Podcasts**

Did you know you can listen to the services online now?

Check it out here:

<http://www.pobmt.org/Sermons.aspx>

Coming soon to a neighborhood near you! Various members of our church will be opening their homes with the intention of helping couples in our church and community strengthen their marriages. “Building Blocks” covers essential skills necessary to build a healthy marriage. The study will begin the middle of the month and will last for six weeks. We hope to have enough studies going on at enough different times and places that interested folks can be involved regardless of their schedule. More information will be available at the Relationship Seminar. For details on what will be covered, go to www.loveandrespect.com.



God is calling you, right now to be a leader at your school. This is one call you don't want to miss! Why would God want you to lead, you ask? Well, why not? God doesn't look on the outside appearance of you, but looks within your heart. He gave you talents and gifts that you can't even possibly imagine!! God often chooses young people to do His work. Little David, who took on the giant, does that story ring a bell?? Who used you during Family camp this past year, praying for the adults and the kids praying them through with the filling of the Holy Ghost? That was you, yes you! He wants to use you at your school. He wants YOU to be a leader and as you work at developing your leadership abilities, you'll find some other pretty amazing things happening. You'll GROW into a stronger, more confident and more interesting person. You'll master skills and talents that will last a lifetime, in everything you do. You will feel the joy of actually making a difference. You will influence your classmates and friends for good, sharing your faith, values, and spiritual goals. JUST LET YOUR LIGHT SHINE!! You can show them God working through you!!

Youth Friday Fun!



February 1st- Meet at church -have a short lesson- go to Perkins on N 27th for some dessert (please bring money)- pick up at 10 at church

February 22nd- Go to Coonfares' house

Check out **SOLD OUT** Youth Group Pentecostals of Billings on Facebook!



FEBRUARY BIRTHDAYS

1-Sherry Hanson
7-Kayla Coonfare/ Mikah Ruff
9-April Coonfare
10-Joann Walsh
11-Lucinda Ludwig
15-Matthew Rennich
20-Randy Timme



9-Manuel & Susan Sifuentes
14-Barry & Linda Ziegler

Ponder This...

“There is no remedy for love but to love more.”
—Henry David Thoreau

“He has a right to criticize who has a heart to help.”
—Abraham Lincoln

“All you need is love. But a little chocolate now and then doesn't hurt.”
—Charles M. Schulz

“Real true faith is [human] weakness leaning on God's strength.”
—D.L. Moody

If you would like a Bible study simply give us a call. In your bible we will show you where the Lord commands us, that we are to be born again.



Teach Us To Love

○ God, perfect us in love,
That we may conquer all selfishness and hatred of others;
Fill our hearts with thy joy,
And shed abroad in them thy peace which passeth understanding;
That so those murmurings and disputings
To which we are too prone may be overcome.
Make us long-suffering and gentle,
And thus subdue our hastiness and angry tempers,
And grant that we may bring forth the blessed fruits of the Spirit,
To thy praise and glory, through Jesus Christ our Lord. Amen.
—Rev. Henry Alford (1810-1871)

