

GRACE BIBLE FELLOWSHIP

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Sunday November 15th, 2020

Sunday School	10:00 AM
Morning Worship Service	11:00 AM
Mid-Week Bible Study	Wednesday 6:00 PM

Order of Service

Hymn #17 Great Is Thy Faithfulness

Opening Prayer

Announcements

Offering

Hymn#336 Jesus Loves Even Me

Hymn #373 The Light of the World is Jesus

Message: A Moral Dilemma: Pastor Don Hosfeld

Closing Prayer

Memory Verse

This I say therefore, and testify in the Lord, that ye henceforth walk not as other Gentiles walk, in the vanity of their mind, having the understanding darkened, being alienated from the life of God through the ignorance that is in them, because of the blindness of their heart (Eph. 4:17-18).

Communion is held the 1st Sunday of the month.

Board Meetings are held the last Sunday of each month

Welcome to Grace Bible Fellowship this morning. We are so glad that you have chosen to worship with us today. If you are a first-time visitor, please sign our guest book in the entryway and take a gift bag home with you.

Today we will be taking two offerings. The plate is for the general fund and the basket is for the benevolence fund.

- **Wednesday, 6:00 p.m.** Bible study here at the church with Pastor Hosfeld. We are studying in the book of Genesis. Come prepared to learn from this foundational book in the Old Testament. .
- **Thursday, 9:00 a.m.** Because of the Covid-19 lockdown, Pastor Hosfeld is not able to continue with his ministries at Venetian Gardens and the prison at this time. Pray that these ministries will be opened up soon and that the people involved in them will have continued their studies on their own.
- **Continue to pray for those on our prayer list;** Pastor Bedore, Pastor Hosfeld and Valerie, Pastor Myers, Judy Piper, Howard and Virginia Tiffany, and Amanda Erdman. Continue to keep Joy Czapski in your prayers as she recovers from a stroke. Please add Lou Ann Spaanem to your prayer list. Keep Valerie and her family in your prayers as they mourn the home going of her father.

“Charity suffereth long, and is kind; charity envieth not; charity vaunteth not itself, is not puffed up, doth not behave itself unseemly, seeketh not her own, is not easily provoked, thinketh no evil; rejoiceth not in iniquity, but rejoiceth in the truth; beareth all things, believeth all things, hopeth all things, endureth all things. And now abideth faith, hope, charity, these three; but the greatest of these is charity” (I Cor. 13:4-7, 13).

“Hold Your Peace”
(Exodus 14:14)

After leading the Israelites out of Egypt to the shore of the Red Sea, the people realized that they were trapped between the Sea and the approaching Egyptian army. When Pharaoh and his “*servants*” (government, religious, and military officials) realized the economic consequences of losing their national slave force, they hardened their hearts against Israel and Pharaoh set out with his army to subdue them by force of arms (Ex. 14:5-9). The Children of Israel became afraid when they saw that the Egyptian army was closing in on them and they “*cried out to the Lord*” (Ex. 14:10).

Israel then turned to Moses, chiding him for leading them out of Egypt, saying, “...*for it had been better for us to serve the Egyptians, then that we should die in the wilderness*” (Ex. 14:11-12). Moses responded by telling the people not to fear the Egyptians, but to “*stand still and see the salvation of the Lord*” as He destroyed them (Ex. 14:13). He then said “*the Lord shall fight for you, and ye shall hold your peace*” (Ex. 14:14). It is important to note that the Lord countermanded Moses’ instructions to Israel to “*stand still*”, saying to him, “...*Wherefore criest thou unto me? Speak unto the Children of Israel, that they go forward*” (Ex. 14:15). When Moses lifted his staff over the sea, it was divided and the tribes of Israel crossed safely over on dry ground, but when Pharaoh’s army pursued them, the sea closed over them, destroying them all (Ex. 14:16-31). This is one of the most important events in Israel’s history.

When Moses told the people to “*hold your peace*” he was telling them to keep quiet and watch and see how things turn out. This is often good advice for us today when we start complaining about how things are going. Many times we say things that we later regret when it would have been better to have held our peace. This phrase and similar sayings, such as “be still” and “hold your tongue” are commonly used today with this meaning.