



# MOUNTAIN STREAM NEWS

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## SAVE YOURSELF AND OTHERS

MESSAGE FROM PASTOR



*1 Timothy 4:16  
Keep a close watch on yourself and on the teaching. Persist in this, for by so doing you will save both yourself and your hearers.*

Centuries ago, Paul gave the young pastor Timothy, advice that is relevant to God's people today. He warned Timothy to first protect himself so that he can protect others. Perhaps you have found out that in an effort to help others, you often neglect your own walk with the Lord which results in your becoming spiritually ineffective to the one(s) you are desperately trying to help.

Timothy was challenged to "keep a close watch on [himself] and on the teaching." He was to pay keen attention to his own relationship with the Lord. He was to pursue the Lord with all his heart, mind, soul and body and be committed to sound biblical truth. The Christian who desires to be an enduring, impactful witness for Christ must first strengthen himself in the Lord. He must ensure his relationship with God is vibrant and growing. This requires persistent personal evaluation of one's closeness to the Lord.

Not only should he check his own walk with the Lord, but he must also persist in truth. His life and teaching (whether by example or precept) need to be anchored in sound doctrine - consistently. It is not enough to follow truth intermittently, or in only some areas of our lives.

We must build our whole lives on God's truth. Sometimes we may find it challenging to follow truth, but we must train ourselves for godliness (verse 7). That is, we must persist. After all, it is truth that sets us free, as Jesus said. We must strive to understand and obey the truths we learn from Scriptures. We dare not follow our own ideas or the world's mindset. To do so will only lead to defeat and ruin.

So, dear saints, are you paying attention to yourself? Are you regularly evaluating your relationship with the Lord? Are you building your life on biblical truth? It is vital that we take this advice to heart so that we can enjoy a victorious Christian life and help others to do the same.

God bless you,  
Pastor James

## ANNOUNCEMENTS

WHAT'S HAPPENING

**CORPORATE PRAYER**  
TUE @ 7 PM

**MAR 15**

Join us via Zoom video  
Please contact Pastor James for log on information at [rcantio@gmail.com](mailto:rcantio@gmail.com)

**YOUTH GROUP**  
FRI @ 6:45 PM

**MAR 18**

In-person at church.  
For teens ages 13 and over

**EVENING SERVICE**  
1st & 3rd  
SUN @ 6 PM

**APR 3 & APR 17**

Join us in-person at church

**KIDZONE & NURSERY**  
SUN @ 11 AM

**MAR 20**

These ministries are available every Sunday during the morning service  
Kidzone for ages 6-12 yrs. old.

**GROWTH GROUPS**  
THU & FRI @ 7 PM

**MAR 17 & MAR 18**

In-person at church.

Plan to attend one convenient to you.  
Prep questions are on our website and the Info. Ctr.

**WORSHIP SERVICE**  
SUN @ 11 AM

**MAR 20**

In-person service & livestream

Livestreaming is only on Facebook and our church's website.

Whoever walks in integrity walks securely, but whoever takes crooked paths will be found out.

Proverbs 10:9

- Growth Groups continue this week on Thursday & Friday at 7 pm at church. Sign up at the Information Center or online to attend a group convenient to you. Preparatory questions are available at the Information Center and on our website.
- Celebrate Easter with us! Good Friday service April 15<sup>th</sup> at 7 pm. Resurrection Sunday April 17<sup>th</sup> at 11 am.
- Heartiest thanks to all those who contributed to the Peru bus fund. We exceeded our target!
- Please plan to join us for our first quarterly evening of Praise and Prayer on March 27<sup>th</sup> @ 6 pm.
- Giving Statements for 2021 are available at the Information Center at church.
- Bible Reading plans for 2022 are now available at the Information Center. Also, read Pastor Jimmie's daily blog on the readings via the link on our website.

### QUICK TIPS

**Two ways to give your offering.**  
Traditional with a check by mail or through our secured website online giving is now possible. Please remember to hit "SAVE" after you give if you did not set up an account so the church can have a record of who gave for tax purposes. Thank you!