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ALL IN ONE

MESSAGE FROM PASTOR



*1 Corinthians 1:30
And because of him you are in Christ Jesus, who became to us wisdom from God, righteousness and sanctification and redemption.*

Many modern offices have “all-in-one” printers which can print, scan, and fax items, and process documents from multiple sources. These devices reduce the amount of equipment an office needs, reduce clutter, and simplify many projects.

When we put our trust in Jesus Christ, we discover that we are blessed with an all-in-one Resource for life and eternity that provides wisdom, righteousness, sanctification, and redemption. What are these qualities and why are they so valuable?

Wisdom is the ability to properly apply knowledge. The wisdom from God that we find in Christ equips us to understand the complex personal and societal issues we each must navigate and enables us to make the decisions which most honor God. Since our supreme purpose in life is to honor God, this divine wisdom is essential.

Righteousness speaks to having a right standing before God. One day each person will appear before God, the Judge of all the earth, to be examined. Those who are found righteous will spend eternity with God, while those who are not will be consigned to a place of eternal torment away from the presence of God. The righteousness God seeks can only be found in Jesus Christ. Those who have received Him as their Savior are credited with His perfect righteousness, and therefore have a right standing before God.

Sanctification is the development of holy or pure character. While righteousness deals with our standing, sanctification addresses our state. Christ is con-

stantly working to transform those who surrender to Him into holy people – that is people who think and act in ways that reject sin and honor God. Sanctification enables us to experience victory over sin in this life.

Redemption is deliverance from sin. All human beings are born in a sinful state and practice sinful deeds. This sad condition causes trauma in life, and unending torment in eternity. By dying for our us, Jesus paid the full price for sin and offers to all who will trust Him full forgiveness and eternal bliss with God.

Therefore, in Christ, we receive all the essentials for life and eternity. As we celebrate Christ’s birth, let us thank God for this amazing “all-in-one gift,” and let us embrace all that He offers.

God bless you,
Pastor James

ANNOUNCEMENTS

WHAT'S HAPPENING

CORPORATE PRAYER
TUE @ 7 PM

DEC 27

Join us via Zoom video
Please contact Pastor James for log on information at rcantio@gmail.com

YOUTH GROUP
FRI @ 6:45 PM

DEC 30

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

EVENING SERVICE
1st & 3rd
SUN @ 6 PM

JAN 15

Join us in-person at church

KIDZONE & NURSERY
SUN @ 11 AM

JAN 1

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

WORSHIP SERVICE
SUN @ 11 AM

JAN 1

In-person service & livestream
Livestreaming is only on Facebook and our church’s website.

➤ CHRISTMAS & YEAR END ACTIVITIES

New Year’s Eve Service December 31st from 8pm-10pm
Come celebrate God’s faithfulness for the past year and anticipate His continued presence for the New Year.

New Year’s Service January 1st @ 11 am

- No Evening Service this Sunday
- Join us on 1st and 3rd Wednesday at 3:15 at the Meadows at Stroud as we sing and share the gospel with the residents. Contact Tom for more information.
- The Church’s Annual General Business Meeting will be on January 14th at 2 pm at church. All members, please plan to attend.
- Bible Reading plans for 2023 are available at the Information Center. Also, read Pastor Jimmie’s daily blog on the readings via the link on our website.
- Calvary School of the Bible (CBS) offers a 3-year program with courses on Christian living, ministries, theology, and Bible book surveys. Check out this link to some uploaded classes www.cbcpoconos.org and contact H. Lee Thompson directly at hleet1412@gmail.com for more information.
- Have a Blessed Christmas.

QUICK TIPS ON WAYS TO GIVE YOUR OFFERING

Traditional during the Sunday morning service, with a check by mail or through our secured website. 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!

Happy New Year