

Needed In Prayer – A Humble Posture Of The Heart

By Mike Riley

The ancient Greeks and Romans rejected kneeling as a part of their worship. They said that kneeling was unworthy of a free man, unsuitable for the culture of Greece, and appropriate only for barbarians. Aristotle called it a barbaric form of behavior. The scholars Plutarch and Theophrastus regarded kneeling as an expression of superstition.

In Psalm 95:6, the text reads:

“Oh come, let us worship and bow down; Let us kneel before the Lord our Maker.”

In this passage, the Psalmist indicates that kneeling expresses a deep reverence for God. In this one verse he uses three different Hebrew words to express what the attitude and position of the worshiper should be.

First, he uses the word “worship” which means to fall prostrate as a sign of honor to the Lord, with an associated meaning of allegiance to Him.

The second word he uses is “bow”. This means to sink down to one’s knees, giving respect and worship to the Lord.

The third word he uses is “kneel” which means to be on one’s knees giving praise to God.

According to the Psalmist, kneeling in God’s presence is a sign of reverence (cf. Philippians 2:8-10). As we pray, let’s remember that a humble posture of the heart is far more important than merely our physical position (cf. Luke 18:13-14).



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Welcome Visitors

If you are seeking a church home, we hope that you will consider joining with us. We are a growing congregation, dedicated to worshiping in truth and spirit. Please fill out the Visitor's Card and place it in the collection plate!

Those to Serve

Today

Announcements- Wayne Fowler **Opening prayer**- Ronnie Hayes
Communion- Jerry McDonald **Closing Prayer**- Arthur Binford
Sermon- Don DeLukie

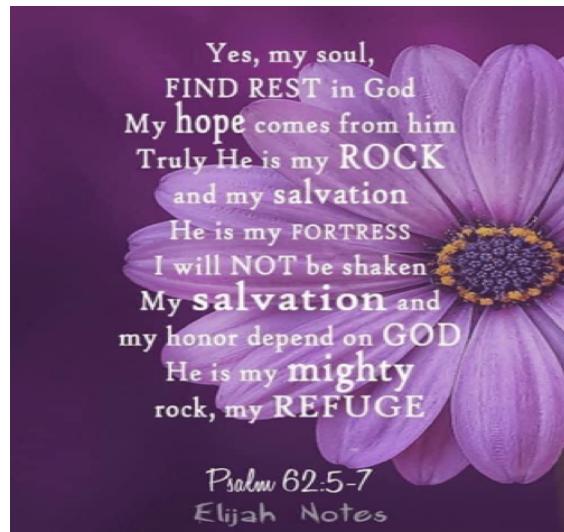
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Announcements- Travis Rogers **Opening prayer**- Lyle Russell
Communion- Wayne Fowler **Closing Prayer**- Ed Haltom
Sermon- Don DeLukie

Announcements

—Question & Answer Series: Our next Question and Answer Series will be scheduled when enough questions are collected. Give your questions to Don.

—Children's Home Collection: Our congregation is collecting items for the Children's Home in Paragould, AR. Collection boxes are by the nursery. A list of needed items is in the foyer.



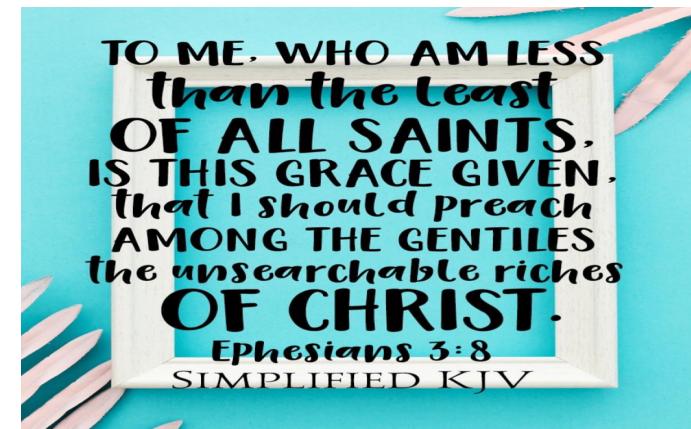
Please Pray For:

Misty Bible, Lorene Johnson, Louvenia Dickson, Evertt Frost, Bobby Wanderish, Abram Simpson, Jimmy Binford, Brad Farrington, Virginia Cook, Larry McDonald, Lynn Urban, Ronnie & Dena White, Kathrine Simmons, Billy & Carol Granger, Randy Frost, Katy Harris, Dan Ross Jr.

Bereaved: Families of Rose Lester, Gail Sewell, Debbie Love Brugman, Sonny Williams, Mike Wiggins, Betty Woodhead, Peter Branch, Dawn Moore.

Continue to Pray For:

Joanne Randolph, Dwain & Bettye Flowers, Linda Garris, Sharon White-Ross, James & Lorene Johnson, Bobby Barker, Ronnie Tatum, Cindy Smith, Renee Gee, Bobby Simmons, Tricia Muse, Terrance Dawson, Jamie Ross.



January Birthdays

- 1 - John Chisley
- 6 - Carolyn Jones
- 15 - Tommy Franklin
- 21 - Gary Harris
- 24 - Buck Raus
- 26 - Arthur Binford

January Anniversaries

- 6 - Debbie and Rick Cook
- 7 - Charles and Brenda

