

Let's Spend Some Time In Conference With God!

By Mike Riley

The president of a large manufacturing company wanted to talk to the plant manager about an urgent matter. But the manager's secretary said, "He cannot be disturbed. He's in conference — as he is every day at this time."

"Tell him the president needs to see him," the man responded impatiently. The secretary firmly replied, "Sir, I have strict orders not to disturb him while he is in conference."

Angrily, the man brushed past the secretary and opened the door to the manager's office. After one quick look he backed out, gently closed the door, and said, "I'm sorry!" The president had found his plant manager on his knees praying in front of his open Bible.

The purpose of a daily devotional time is to stimulate regular, intimate meetings with the "King of kings, and Lord of lords" (Revelation 19:16). We need to seek new orders and instructions each day from the One who gives us life, and provides for our every need (Acts 17:28; Philippians 4:19).

Jesus Himself spent regular time in prayer (Matthew 14:23; Matthew 26:36; Mark 6:46; Luke 6:12; Luke 9:28; John 17:1-26), and inspired His disciples to pray (Luke 11:1). He gave them a model prayer, telling them to keep asking, seeking, and knocking (Luke 11:9-10).

Brethren, have we spent time "in conference" with God today? It's never too late to start.

Begin the day with God,
Kneel down to Him in prayer;
Lift up your heart to His abode,
And seek His love to share. — Anonymous



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Sunday Morning Bible Classes - 9:30 AM
Sunday Morning Worship - 10:30 AM
Sunday Evening Worship - 5:00 PM
Wednesday Evening Classes - 6:00 PM.

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- Paul Simpson **Opening prayer**- Wayne Fowler

Communion- Jerry McDonald **Closing Prayer**- Rick Cook

Sermon- Don DeLukie

September 8th

Announcements- Lyle Russell **Opening prayer**- Arthur Binford

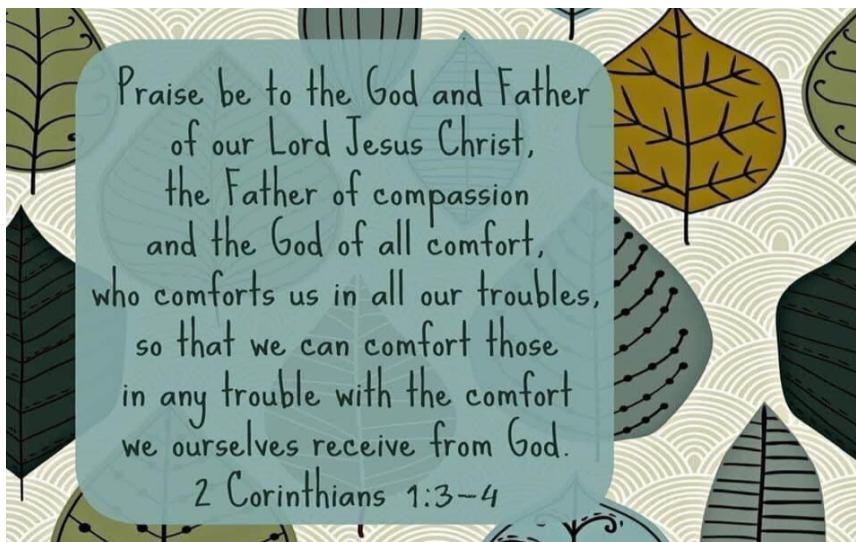
Communion- Travis Rogers **Closing Prayer**- Gary Harris

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Announcements

—Question & Answer Series: Our next Question & Answer Series will be 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.



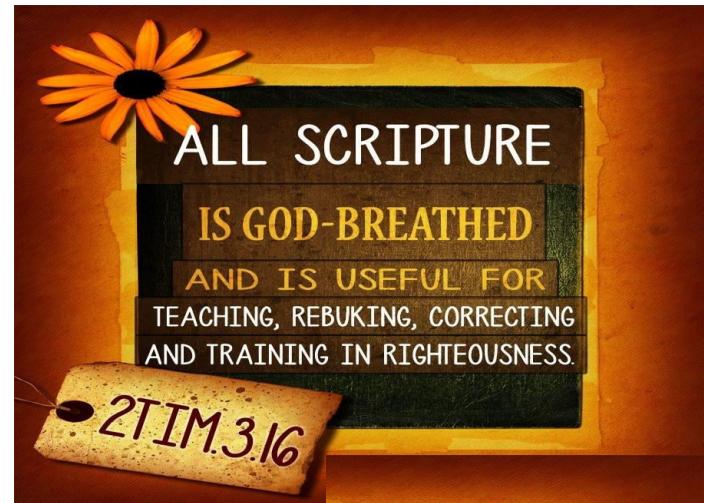
Please Pray For:

Sammy Crawford, Carolyn Jones, Brenda Fricke, Kerry Clewell, David Repond, Ellisha Peyton, Rick Cook, Belinda Boykin, Virginia Cook, Joyce Moses, Rick Cook, Angelica Ross, Charlotte Martin.

Bereaved: Families of Ronnie Tatum.

Needing Long-Term Prayers:

Tommy Franklin, Brigg DeLukie, Carol Granger, Arthur Binford, Dan Ross Jr, Ronnie & Dena White, Joanne Randolph, Bettye Flowers, Linda Garris, Sharon White-Ross, James Johnson, Bobby Barker, Cindy Smith, Renee Gee, Bobby Simmons, Terrance Dawson, Jamie Ross.



September birthdays

- 9 - Carlon Hollis
- 17 - Sherry Miller
- 18 - Wanda Simpson
- 19 - Linda Herlong
- 22 - Jodie Chisley
- 23 - Maddie Magee
- 27 - Shirley Goodwin

September Anniversaries

- 5 - Matt and Danielle Scharf
- 25 - Lyle and Miriam Russell

