

BIDDEFORD CHURCH OF CHRIST

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WHO AM I?

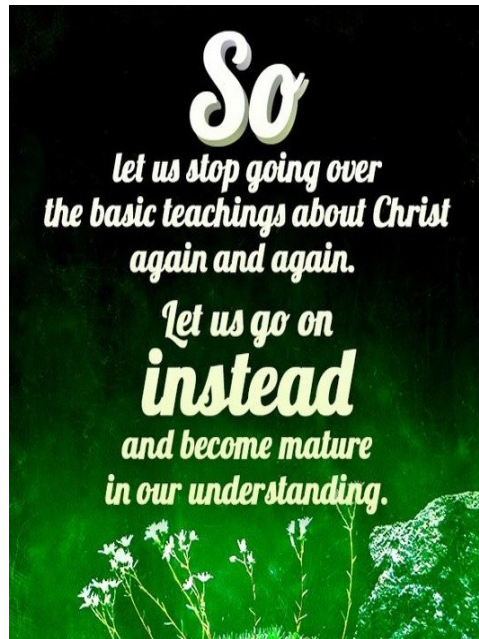
ARTICLE BY DENNIS GODIN

There are so many bible verses that speak to who we are as followers of Christ. One of my favorite is found in Romans 8:37 which says, "Yet in all these things we are more than conquerors through Him who loved us." So, I wonder how many of us see ourselves as "conquerors"? Could it be, that the imperfections which all too often reveal themselves in our lives, shackle us to believe just the opposite. Do we struggle with the feeling of inadequacy? This word simply means insufficient for a purpose.

*And the Angel of the Lord appeared to him, and said to him,
"The Lord is with you, you mighty man of valor!"*

Judges 6:12

We know of no reason why the angel of the Lord would give such a title to Gideon, other than what would take place in the days ahead. It seems that Gideon had different ideas of both himself and his God. On the heels of last week's lesson, this may sound familiar, "But now the Lord has forsaken us and delivered us into the hands of the Midianites" (Judges 6:13). As the Lord informs him that he will be used to "save Israel" (Judges 6:14), his response is so...well...



understandable...right? Listen to him reason, saying, "O my Lord, how can I save Israel? Indeed, my clan is the weakest in Manasseh, and I am the least in my father's house" (Judges 6:15). You may remember the words of Moses when God called him to free "My people, the children of Israel, out of Egypt" (Exodus 3:10); he said, "Who am I that I should go to Pharaoh"(Exodus3:11). In Exodus chapter 4, Moses providing multiple reasons why he thought he should not be used by God, said, "O my Lord, please send by the hand whomever else You may send"(Exodus 4:13). Both these men, great historical figures in God's redemptive work, felt so inadequate to be useful for God.

As the story goes, both of these figures in history were used by the Lord to do marvelous works. In

SCHEDULE OF ASSEMBLIES

SUNDAY
BIBLE CLASS 9:30A.M.

WORSHIP 10:45 A.M.

MID-WEEK STUDY

TUESDAY 7-8 P.M.
(BIDDEFORD)

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Ladies Ministry

Debbie Godin (207)286-4821
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AS EACH PART DOES ITS WORK

How important is encouragement to you? Note someone you have not seen in worship lately and give them a call or send them a card. Who knows, your words of encouragement could make an eternal difference.

"Sirs, what must I do to be saved?" - Acts 16:30

Hear the Gospel - John 6:44-45; Romans 10:14, 17

Believe [trust in] God - John 3:16; 8:24; Ac 16:31; Heb 11:6

Repent of sins - Luke 13:1-5; Acts 2:38; 3:19; 17:30

Confess Christ - Mt 10:32-33; Ac 8:36-37; Rom 10:8-10

Be baptized - Mk 16:16; Ac 2:38; 8:36; 22:16; 1 Pet 3:21

Be faithful unto death - Mt 7:21; 10:22; Heb 5:9; Rev 2:10

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"Salvation is found in no one else, for there is no other name under heaven given to men by which we must be saved."

~ Acts 4:12 ~

Ladies Corner

Our next Ladies meeting will be during the congregational breakfast on June 9th.

Thank You,
Debbie and Barbara

Last Week's Numbers:

Attendance: 42 Contribution: \$ 948

WHO AM I? (CONTINUED)

both cases, the Lord made some promises. To Gideon, He said, "Surely I will be with you, and you shall defeat the Midianites" (Judges 6:16). To Moses, the Lord said, "I will certainly be with you" (Exodus 3:12). Regardless of how they may have seen themselves, God knew, and they learned, just what is possible in our lives if we let go and let God

Since God has put His work into your weak hands, look not for long ease here: You must feel the full weight of your calling: a weak man with a strong God.

Author Unknown

I began in Romans 8 and I end with it as well. The apostle Paul pens these often-spoken words, but what do they mean to us as His children? "If God is for us, who can be against us?" (Romans 8:31). God calls us to share the gospel, serve the needy, strengthen His church and the lists goes on and on. How many reasons do we have or even use, that limits our calling? At times, we need to be reminded just who I am. I am a called child of the living God. WOW!

Dennis

ANNOUNCEMENTS

We're on Facebook– Biddeford church of Christ is on Facebook! There is a profile, which is public, and there is a closed group, for current Biddeford church family only, where we can share photos, prayer requests, announcements, etc. The public cannot see posts in the BCOC FB group. Only members can.

Men Leading in Worship - The men who serve in worship are asked to meet in the cry room or, if it is in use, a classroom promptly at 10:30 to confirm assignments and go to God in prayer.

Building Lights - If you are the last person leaving the building, please be sure to turn off all the lights, check that all windows are shut, and the doors are locked.

Bulletin /- Prayer List - If you have a prayer request or an announcement for the bulletin, please contact Mike Wickwar at 432-2272 or email him at mickwick@yahoo.com by Friday of each week. Anything given after Friday may not make it into that Sunday's bulletin.

Reminder: Please turn off your cell phone or place it on vibrate during Bible study and worship.

We care what you think - If you have any questions, concerns, or suggestions, feel free to write them down on a piece of paper, then sign it and place it in the box. We will get back to you as soon as possible. Thanks for your help.

Monthly Bulletins– One per family, please. If you would like another copy, you can find it on our website, biddefordchurchofchrist.com. You can also listen to sermons on the website.

Updating the Prayer List - Please review the prayer list. If there is a prayer request initiated by you, it is important you contact Mike Wickwar with updates. Thank you.

Upcoming Events - Please check your calendars

Life Groups– June 3rd and June 17th.

Congregational Breakfast - June 9th at 8:30 am.

Pot Luck - June 10th

Singing Nights - Tuesday June 26th (7 p.m. Biddeford)

Happy Birthday! Jon Erickson May 31

Meagan Romano June 1

Abraham Damuth June 9

Jessica Damuth June 12

AJ Damuth June 17

Happy Anniversary! Jon & Cheri Erickson June 17

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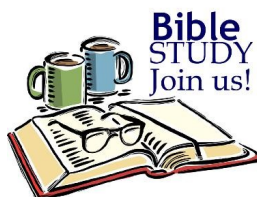
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***Live The Gospel at all Times;
When Opportunity Is there Preach It!!!***

MID-WEEK BIBLE CLASSES

Biddeford
Tuesdays
7:00-8:00 p.m.



YOUR ATTENDANCE WOULD BE SUCH AN ENCOURAGEMENT!

ORDER OF WORSHIP FOR TODAY

Song 123 *The Steadfast Love Of The Lord*

Announcements—Shepherd

Opening Prayer - Brad Shaw

Song 148 *I Keep Falling In Love With Him*

Song 315 *When I Survey The Wondrous Cross*

Lord's Supper - John Marescot, Clifford
Parker, Erik Cote

Song 337 *Hallelujah! What A Savior*

Contribution

Song 797 *Lord, We Come Before Thee Now*

Prayer - Angel Velez

Song 452 *Standing On The Promises*

Scripture Reading - James Butler
Exodus 3:11-12

Lesson - Dennis Godin

Who Am I?

Lesson Text: Judges 6:11-16

Song 509 *I Will Sing The Wondrous Story*

Closing Prayer—Shepherd



Song Leader: Antonio Balsamo

Greeter: Barbara Lemay

Communion Prep: Deborah Godin

NEXT WEEK'S SERVICE SCHEDULE:

Song Leader - Robert Balsamo

Opening Prayer - John Carter

**Lord's Supper - Joe Romano, Erik
Cote, Ruffo Lawrance**

Prayer - Matthew Sampson

Scripture Reading - Jon Erickson

Greeter - Gabriele Little

Communion Prep - Jessica Damuth

WELCOME VISITORS



We here at the Biddeford church of Christ pray your visit with us today is enjoyable and uplifting. Please stay around after services so that we can get to know you better. We all strive to put Christ first in our lives and make the Bible our principle guide for living.

WE'RE ON THE WEB!

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