

Wednesday Bible Study @ 6:45 pm
Conference call:
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UPCOMING MEETINGS/EVENTS:

- * Intercessory Prayer Team Bake Sale - Sunday, July 22nd (after service)
- * Joint Church Picnic at BurMil Park w/PIC & Gate City Vineyard -
Sunday, July 29 (12:45pm)
- * New Member's Orientation - Sunday, August 5th (11:30am)

IMPORTANT:

Please send emails, announcements, and appointment requests to info.nmccenter@gmail.com
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Have a blessed and prosperous week!

NOTES:

Please continue to pray over these issues:

- Ownership & transition into our building
- The Physical Health of NMCC members
- Marriages/Family/Legacy
- Environmental Conditions facing our kids in school

New Millennium Christian Center

Our Vision: A multi-faceted ministry that equips people of all races in pursuing, capturing and developing a mature personal relationship with Jesus the Christ.

Our Mission: To walk in the Spirit of God, so that others may know Him, to make disciples and to spread the gospel of Christ.



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“Your Body is a Temple”

Commentary:

How can I rest assured that when I “ask” the Holy Spirit to abide in me He will? My assurance comes when I am confident that I have prepared the place for Him to dwell. If my body is “that place”, then what Truth must I stand on to be vaulted into His presence so that I may ask? Through scripture we know that God values our bodies. Our bodies are said to be a temple of the Holy Spirit, and we are called to take care of and honor God's temple. God's Word leads us to use our bodies and the gifts He has given to achieve His Will.

Scriptures: Read

Psalms 100:3, 1 Corinthians 6:19-20, 1 Corinthians 3: 16-17, Romans 12:1-2
1 Timothy 4:8, Matthew 6:22-23

Teaching:

Instructing the Christians in Corinth to flee from sexual immorality, the Apostle Paul exhorted, “Do you not know that your body is a temple of the Holy Spirit, who is in you, whom you have received from God? You are not your own; you were bought at a price. Therefore, honor God with your body” (1 Corinthians 6:19-20). Indeed, God the Father created our bodies, God the Son redeemed them, and God the Holy Spirit indwells them. **This makes our body the very temple of the Holy Spirit of God.**

Those who do not belong to Christ do not have the Spirit of Christ residing in them (Romans 8:9). Thus, their bodies are not a temple of the Holy Spirit. Clearly, then, **the greatest thing we can do for our bodies is to make them into a temple for God's Spirit.** And we do this by placing our trust and faith in Jesus Christ as our Savior. The moment we do this, the indwelling of God's Spirit takes place (1 Corinthians 12:13). Our salvation is then sealed and guaranteed (Ephesians 1:13-14). The Holy Spirit will then be with us forever (John 14:16), given by God as His pledge of the believer's future inheritance in glory (2 Corinthians 1:21-22).

As the Holy Spirit resides in us:

1. We are to honor God with our bodies.
2. Our bodies are not our own.
3. We have indeed been bought with a price.
 - a) The unblemished blood of Jesus Christ (1 Peter 1:18-19).
 - b) Ordained by God before the foundation of the world (Acts 2:23),
 - c) Christ's blood purchased us out of the slavery of sin and set us free forever.

God calls our bodies temples:

1. He could well have used words such as “home,” “house,” or “residence.”
2. He conveys the idea that our bodies are the shrine, or the sacred place, in which the Spirit not only lives, but is worshiped, revered, and honored.

Critical Points:

1. How we behave, think, speak, and what we let into the temple through our eyes and ears becomes a matter of life, health, strength or sickness, destruction and eventually death.
2. We grieve the Holy Spirit (Ephesians 4: 30) when we fail to get rid of all bitterness, rage and anger, brawling and slander, along with every form of malice.
3. Be kind and compassionate to one another, forgiving each other, just as in Christ God forgave you” (Ephesians 4:31-32). **When we live by the Spirit, we will no longer gratify the desires of the sinful nature (Galatians 5:16).**

Outstanding Body Quotes:

“God created it; Jesus died for it. The Spirit lives in it. I'd better take care of it.

“Your body is a reflection of your lifestyle!”

“When your body (as the Temple of God) is prepared the Holy Spirit will abide and never leave!”

Conclusion:

By having the Holy Spirit dwell in us (our temples), we join Him in the establishment of God's Kingdom on earth. Our value increases when our flesh dies. The New Testament Church should be filled with temples whereby the Holy Spirit can dwell. At that moment. Liberty, Truth, and the Fruit of the Spirit are consumed by all who have chosen to move forward.

Closing Prayer

Invitations

Second Offering

Benediction