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As Refined Silver

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"There was once a group of women studying the book of Malachi in the Old Testament. As they were studying chapter three, they came across verse three, which says: "He will sit as a refiner and purifier of silver." This verse puzzled the women, and they wondered what this statement meant about the character and nature of God. One of the women offered to find out about the process of refining silver and get back to the group at their next Bible study.

That week this woman called up a silversmith and made an appointment to watch him at work. She didn't mention anything about the reason for her interest beyond her curiosity about the process of refining silver. As she watched the silversmith, he held a piece of silver over the fire and let it heat up. He explained that in refining silver, one needed to hold the silver in the middle of the fire where the flames were hottest as to burn away all the impurities.

The woman thought about God holding us in such a hot spot – then she thought again about the verse, that he sits as a refiner and purifier of silver. She asked the silversmith if it was true that he had to sit there in front of the fire the whole time the silver was being refined.

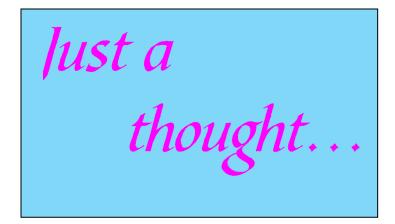
The man answered "Yes", and explained that he not only had to sit there holding the silver, but he had to keep his eyes on the silver the entire time it was in the fire. If the silver was left even a moment too long in the flames, it would be damaged.

The woman was silent for a moment. Then she asked the silversmith, "How do you know when the silver is fully refined?"

He smiled at her and answered, "Oh, that's easy. When I see my image in it."

If today you are feeling the heat of this world's fire, just remember that God, our Father is watching over you.

- Jeff Foster



"Sometimes something happens that leaves us feeling empty on the inside. This is the perfect time to turn to God, who will step in and fill the emptiness with Himself."

- Beth Moore

Gospel of Luke Class

The Bible Class on Luke, led by Trent Herbert meets on Zoom Sunday evenings at 6:00.

You can find the current study questions on our web site:

pococ.weebly.com/bulletins--newsletters.html

Our Prayer List

- Paula Hill is scheduled for a mastectomy on July 9th. Keep Paula and her family in your prayers.
- Karen Taylor's grandson Aiden is doing much better since being attacked. He does have a concussion.
- Bonnie Mitchell's niece will be coming to stay with her for a while in August. Pray for both of them that this will be a smooth transition.
- Darrell and Laura's daughter Lisa is preparing to evacuate, if necessary due to 19 fires in Arizona; some near Flagstaff and Sedona. Please pray for protection for Daniel and Lisa, who are doing well by the way.
- Nancy Davis who suffers from continual pain and has difficulty getting around. Because her landlord wants to move her children into the home Nancy is in, she has to find another place to live. Her social worker is trying to locate a lowincome apartment. Nancy would like prayers lifted up for her.
- Bonnie Mitchell's grandson has put in a transfer with his company to work at either Gig Harbor or Silverdale. Please pray that God's will be done wherever he thinks would be best and beneficial for him.
- Bonnie's son-in-law Tony will have an angioplasty on the 29th. Pray for him and the medical staff.
- Pray for safety for all those who are or will be traveling in the next couple weeks for safety. The Chasteen's plan to leave Illinois tomorrow and should be arriving sometime on Sunday. The Avery and Cormier families are moving to Atlanta. Bonnie's daughter Kara is traveling to Southern Oregon. Billy and Cheryl Mann are traveling back from Oklahoma after Billy and their daughter were in an auto accident there.
- Michelle Herbert's aunt Stella recovering from surgery.
- Carol Henry's son Steve dealing with chemo for the next three months.

- The Avery and Cormier families will be leaving Washington state at the end of the month to move to Georgia. Please keep them in your prayers for the next part of their journey.
- Darrell Fry's sister Myrna, is still having dizzy spells.
- Len Lewis whose brother Ray Hoover passed away Monday from complications due to Covid. He was living in the Philippines.
- Roger Taylor's sister Kathy, for comfort and peace; currently in Hospice.
- Jessica Zepf healing for her ankle.
- Cindiann Bradburn and her family who recently moved across county and need wisdom and encouragement.
- Sarah Benjamin's grandfather who has blood cancer.
- Laura Fry's aunt Joyce who recently was diagnosed with cancer.
- Praise that Pat Woodrow's ankle wound is healed.
- Bonnie Mitchell's son-in-law Tony DelBarto was recently diagnosed with heart failure and has an upcoming angioplasty procedure.
- Pray for all our graduating seniors.
- Pray for the upcoming camps at Delano Bay.
- For all our brothers and sisters that God will provide whatever their needs are.
- Praise that Pat Woodrow's ankle wound is healed.
- Please stay cool in the next few days.
- That as a membership we make the decision God wants regarding the duplexes.
- Pray for our nation and all our leaders worldwide to help bring peace through prayer and God's guidance
- For all our brothers and sisters that God will provide whatever their needs are.
- Praise to God our father who never fails
- Please stay cool in the next few days.

POCOC Web Site (http://pococ.weebly.com)

- Weekly Bulletin Click on **Bulletin & Newsletters**
- Current newsletters from Trent Herbert, Tristan Herbert and Roy Merritt. Click on Bulletin & Newsletters
- Live stream of worship services on YouTube Channel Previous recordings too: <u>https://www.youtube.com/channel/UCL_SrX11URAkOYw7JOR9ZIQ</u> then click on the video. Please subscribe to be notified when new videos post or when we go live.
- Pre-Covid audio sermons are also still online Click on Teachings
- Current Event Calendar Click on **News & Events**

	Sunday Worsh	ip (10:30 am – 12:00 noon)		
	There WILL be "in-person" worship			
Watch live stream or after our worship time:				
https://www.youtube.com/channel/UCL_SrX11URAkOYw7JOR9ZIQ				
Speaker: Scripture: Prayer: Communion:	Darrell Fry Darrell Fry Jon Powless Jim Snead	To worship from the Parking Lot: Tune your radio to 93.1 FM You must be in the parking lot to tune in.		
Children will be dismissed after communion (with parent's permission) for Children's Worship downstairs				

Classes				
Bible Classes Sunday: 9:30 - 10:15am	Adult: Auditorium James Greer	Children: Combined Class Downstairs		
Luke Class Zoom Meeting: Sunday, 6:00 – 7:00 pm				
Ladies Prayer Group Zoom Meeting: Tuesday, 10:00 am	Call Laura Fry or 360-876-2604 for Zoom Meeting ID			
Prayer Meeting Zoom Meeting: Wednesday, 5:00 pm				

Happy Birthday!

June: Miki Gross – 23, Kenny Benjamin – 24, Cathie Cates – 26, Pilita David – 26, Greg Warner – 29

July: Yvonne Lawrence – 16, Jori Hooper – 16, Peggy Hall – 19, Dale Sanders – 19, Sharon McDaniel – 23, Ricky McKennon – 23, Luke Orser – 25, Trent Herbert – 27

Tithes and Offerings

Since we are once again meeting inside the building, but not able to pass the offering plate, there is a tithe box at the entrance to the auditorium. However, the other options are still available:

- 1) The collection box will be in the foyer.
- 2) Online bill-pay with your bank or credit union. Your bank will mail your check for you.
- 3) Mail your tithe/offering check directly to the Church address. We have a lock mailbox.

<u>Church Address:</u> Port Orchard Church of Christ 4135 Carr Lane SE Port Orchard, WA 98366

June 20, 2021 – Tithes & Offerings - \$ 2,240.70

If you have any questions, please give me a call. God bless you. Gary Chasteen (cell) 360-731-4104

Our Camps

Based on current forecasts, we are planning on having summer camps this year. We will comply with all of Washington State and Pierce County Health Department requirements. We are not sure what that will entail but will make sure to communicate all details as soon as we understand them. We will continue to keep you up to date with all changes to our plans as the state gives us more information on COVID-19 regulations.

We may only be able to open the camp at a reduced capacity this summer. If so, we will allow registration on a first-come, first-served basis. So register early!

Registration is now open for all camps.

We host and staff camps for students in 1st grade all the way until they graduate from High School. Learn more about each of our camps and how your camper can encounter Jesus there!

 1^{st} - 3^{rd} Grade Camp July $18^{th} - 21^{st}$

4th - 6th Grade Camp July 25th – July 31st

Young Teen Session - YTS (7th - 8th Grade Camp) July $4^{th} - 10^{th}$

Junior Teen Session - JTS (9th - 10th Grade Camp) July 11th – 17th

Senior Teen Session - STS (11th, 12th, New Grad) June 26th – July 3rd

Delano Bay Christian Camp - https://www.delanobay.org/

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<u>Note: There are camperships available if you have a child who would like</u> <u>to go to camp, but could use help with the funds. Contact Laura Fry</u>

Said I Wasn't

Said I wasn't gonna tell anybody but I couldn't keep it to myself No, No, I couldn't keep it to myself No, No, I couldn't keep it to myself Said I wasn't gonna tell anybody but I couldn't keep it to myself What the Lord has done for me

Chorus:

You oughta been there when He saved my soul You oughta been there when He put my name on the roll I'll keep walking and I'll keep talking and I'll keep singing and I'll keep shouting What the Lord has done for me for me

Said I wasn't gonna sing about it but I couldn't keep it to myself No, No, I couldn't keep it to myself No, I couldn't keep it to myself Said I wasn't gonna sing about it but I couldn't keep it to myself What the Lord has done for me for me (chorus)

Said I wasn't gonna preach about it but I couldn't keep it to myself No, No, I couldn't keep it to myself No, I couldn't keep it to myself Said I wasn't gonna preach about it but I couldn't keep it to myself What the Lord has done for me for me (chorus)

Oh said I wasn't gonna shout about it but I couldn't keep it to myself No, No, I couldn't keep it to myself No, I couldn't keep it to myself Said I wasn't gonna shout about it but I couldn't keep it to myself What the Lord has done for me for me (chorus)

Said I wasn't gonna pray about it but I couldn't keep it to myself No, I couldn't keep it to myself No, No, I couldn't keep it to myself Said I wasn't gonna pray about it but I couldn't keep it to myself What the Lord has done for me for me (chorus)

Said I wasn't gonna shout about it but I couldn't keep it to myself Oh No, I couldn't keep it to myself No, I couldn't keep it to myself Said I wasn't gonna shout about it but I couldn't keep it to myself What the Lord has done for me for me (chorus x3)

(With Overlap)

I'll keep walking and I'll keep talking and I'll keep singing and I'll keep shouting What the Lord has done for me I'll keep walking and I'll keep talking and I'll keep singing and I'll keep shouting what the Lord has done for me

What the Lord has done for me for me

"Our mouths were filled with laughter, our tongues with songs of joy. Then it was said among the nations, 'The Lord has done great things for them.' The Lord has done great things for us, and we are filled with joy." Psalm 126:2-3



Watch and Listen to the song here...



www.youtube.com/watch?v=Wdo0tAcee08

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