

Inadequacy as a Blessing

2 Corinthians 3:1-6

Inadequacy can be a roadblock to doing the Lord's will—it can deter us from stepping out in faith to accomplish what God calls us to do. It's no sin to feel insufficient, but we can transgress by not attempting to overcome that attitude. In contrast, a right response to shortcomings can turn inadequacy to blessing.

Even the apostle Paul felt inadequate, but he didn't allow his feelings to hold him prisoner and prevent his sharing the gospel. (See <u>1 Tim. 1:15-16</u>.) Instead, he allowed recognition of his limitations to drive him closer to God. For believers, the correct reaction is more prayer and biblical meditation so that our reliance upon the Lord strengthens. As we shed the burden of relying on our own strength, we become motivated to work in the power of the Holy Spirit.

God's Spirit enables us to achieve whatever it is we are called to do. The disciples followed Jesus for years, but His final instructions left no doubt concerning their limitations: *Go and tell the world about Me after you have received the Spirit's power* (Acts 1:4-8). Jesus' disciples were inadequate, too.

But our inadequacy enables God to demonstrate the great

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things He can do with so little. Remember that Moses and David were mere shepherds, and Gideon was least among Israel's men (<u>Judg. 6:15</u>), yet the Lord accomplished amazing feats through them.

Our inadequacy can turn out to be a blessing by driving us into a stronger relationship with God. We can say with Paul, "I will rather boast about my weaknesses, so that the power of Christ may dwell in me" (2 Cor. 12:9).

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Welcome Guests

We are so glad that you decided to visit Port Orchard Church of Christ this morning! Since you took this step to join us for worship, we would like to extend to you a warm welcome. Wherever you are this morning, as we lift worship to God, we pray that you are able to leave feeling uplifted, convicted, or encouraged in your faith.

We seek to worship God like the first century church did, with a sense of awe and with a fear

of the Lord. Some things we do might seem old fashioned or traditional, but we want you to know that at its core, it is for the praise of God's glory.

You are not required to do anything weird or ostentatious. We hope that you feel free to join us in worshipping God to the best of your abilities. If you have any specific needs, we have a ministry staff that would love to connect with you. Ask the people sitting around you for

names of the ministry staff and to point them

Once again, we are so happy to have you here worshipping with us and we hope this is a chance to worship God in a deep and meaningful way.

Port Orchard Church of Christ

Save the Dates!

Saturday 3/25 Memorial for Ken Woodrow

Tuesday 3/28 Ladies Prayer Group

Wednesday 3/29 Bible Study

Saturday 4/1 Deacons Meeting

Sunday 4/2 Congregational Meeting

Sunday 4/9 Senior Saint Potluck

Tuesday 4/11 Ladies Prayer Group

Wednesday 4/12 Bible Study

Sunday 4/16 Easter

Tuesday 4/18 Ladies Prayer Group

Wednesday 4/19 Bible Study

Friday 4/21-4/23 Ocean Shores Teen Retreat

Port Orchard News and Events

Pulpit Preview-

Cody Rousseau will be preaching this upcoming Sunday. Worship Service begins at 10:45, we hope to see you here!

Happy Birthday!

March has arrived, it's time to celebrate our March babies. If you see any of these following brothers and sisters make sure to wish them a Happy Birthday! Ariana Avery, Charlotte Hahn - 3/4., Lynn Chapman - 3/5., Lydia Gerard - 3/10., Brad Orser - 3/12., Troy Hill - 3/15., Darrell Fry - 3/25., Mallory Hall - 3/30., Roger Taylor - 3/31.,

ANNOUNCEMENTS

James Greer

James Greer shared a sermon with us last Sunday. If you missed his message and would like to hear it, please visit the church website at pococ.weebly.com

Ocean Shores Retreat

There will be a teen retreat out at Ocean Shores April 21st, 22nd and 23rd. This retreat will be led by Sarah, Ryan Pike and Cody, Tiffany Rousseau. Gene will be in charge of accommodations. If you feel led to come help cook or come help in any other way, please let Gene Gerard know.

Serving March 26, 2017:

Prayer Leader: Ken Avery Communion Prep: Barbara Chasteen Scripture Reader: Cody Rousseau Communion Cleanup: Bratcher Family

Offering Thoughts: Dale Sanders Praise Team: Gene G., Greg W., Paula H.,

Communion Meditation: Gene Gerard Rachel K.

Servers: Brandon K. & Terry B.

<u>Ushers: Gary C.</u> & Jim Snead. Sunday School & CW Helper:

Greeters: Paula H. & Sarah H. Dale S. & Tiffany R.

Prayer Partners: Greer Family Preaching:

Sound: Charlie Hammock Cody Rousseau

Slides/Lighting: Zari Keagle







Sauk River Women's Retreat

Sauk River Women's Retreat Will be May 19th thru the 21st. Registration price is \$45.00 if postmarked before May 5th and \$60.00 at the door. Registration forms will be on the bulletin board in the foyer or you can go to the website and print your own. If you have any questions contact Karen Edwards at (360) 319-3298.

www.saukriverchristiancamp.com.

Ken Woodrow Memorial

The Memorial Service for Ken Woodrow will be held at the Port Orchard Church of Christ this upcoming Saturday. His service will begin at 2 pm with a reception following. Just a heads up I will be calling in the next few days for donations to the reception following Ken Woodrow's funeral. Think about what you would like to donate - sandwiches, veggie or fruit tray or dessert. If you already know, please contact me at (h) 360-895-0453, (c) call or txt 360-265-3266 or email me. I would really appreciate it.

Bonnie

Address Change for the Church Building

The physical address for the church building will be changed as of Saturday, April 8th. The new address here will be 4135 Carr LN SE Port Orchard, WA 98366. These changes were mandated by Kitsap County in order to provide better emergency response and support services.

Mercy Me Concert

A soft number of interested folks are being gathered for group ticket purchases for the Mercy Me concert, Friday, May12th at the Xfinity arena in Everett....please let Ken know by Sunday if you are interested in the group discount. Currently there isn't a plan to use the church van but may be an option.

Mens Breakfast

Date: Saturday, April 1, 2007

Time: 8:00 AM

Where: Lakeview Church Of Christ

Our Prayer List

Prayer requests: Healing:

Karen Taylor's daughter Rick Valesco & Marci Gary Chasteen Tim Duffy Shirley Olson Virginia Chapman Jennifer Delay Charlotte Hahn Wayne Hammock's son

Others:

Praise Kirschon Miller's tumor test was negative. Barbara Chasteen's grand-daughter's college choice. Roger and Karen Taylor strength. Charlie's camping trip (Wayne's grandson). Seth &Sara Cartwright teaching in China. Our church, Deacons, Ministries, First Responders, Leaders and President Trump.

Encouragement over loss of loved ones:

Widman Family Avery Family Mason Family Warner Family Woodrow Family

March 19, 2017

Worship: 90 Class: 56 Offering: \$2,477.28 Goal: \$3,437.50 (Continued from pg 3)

Delano Bay Christian Camp Dates

1st-3rd Grades

Director: Jeb Bristow-Hannah
Dates: July 2 - July 5, 2017
Price: Deposit = \$30
Early Registration = \$75
Late Registration (after 6/16) = \$115

4th-6th Grades

Co-Directors: Jeff Oden & Brandon

York

Dates: July 30 - Aug. 5, 2017

Price: Deposit = \$75

Early Registration = \$150

Late Registration (after 7/14) =

\$200

YTS: 7th & 8th Grades

Director: Ben Cook

Dates: July 23 - July 29, 2017

Price: Deposit = \$75

Early Registration = \$150

Late Registration (after 7/07) =

\$200

JTS: 9th & 10th Grades

Director: Brad Grow

Dates: July 8 - July 15, 2017

Price: Deposit = \$100

Early Registration = \$225

Late Registration (after 6/23) =

\$275

STS: 11th & 12th Grades

(& HS Graduates)

Director: Carter Davis

Dates: June 24 - July 1, 2017

Price: Deposit = \$100 Early Registration = \$250

Late Registration (after 6/9) =

\$300

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