



Calvary Christian Fellowship Mennonite Church

Welcome to our Worship Service!

October 4, 2020

Devotional:----- Sheldon Yoder

Message:----- Galen Beachy

Offering:----- Missions

Adult and Youth Verse: And the multitude of them that believed were of one heart and of one soul: neither said any of them that ought of the things which he possessed was his own; but they had all things common. Acts 4:32

Intermediate Verse: Trust in the Lord with all thine heart; and lean not unto thine own understanding. In all thy ways acknowledge him, and he shall direct thy paths. Proverbs 3:5,6

Junior Verse: Not rendering evil for evil, or railing for railing: but contrariwise blessing; knowing that ye are thereunto called, that ye should inherit a blessing. 1 Peter 3:9

Primary Verse: Evening, and morning, and at noon, will I pray. Psalm 55:17

Preschool Verse: Watch and pray. Matthew 26:41

□ CHILDREN'S CORNER ○ □ ○ □

Bad Habits

A wealthy businessman was worried about his son's bad habits. He sought counsel from a wise, old man. The old man met the man's son and took him out for a stroll. They walked into the woods, and the old man showed the boy a small sapling and asked him to pull it out. The boy did so with ease, and they walked on.

The old man then asked the boy to pull out a small plant. The boy did that too, with a little effort. As they walked, the old man asked the boy to pull out the bush, which he did. The next was a small tree, which the child had to struggle a lot to pull out. Finally, the old man showed him a bigger tree and asked the child to pull it out.

The child failed to pull it out even after trying several times, in different ways. The old man looks at the boy, smiles and says, "So is the case with habits, good or bad".

Moral: *Bad habits are hard to get rid of once they have settled in our system. It is best to get rid of them early on.*

<https://www.momjunction.com/articles/moral-stories-for-kids>

Announcements:

- ✓ This Evening: Free Evening
- ✓ Sister's Sewing Tues.
- ✓ Brotherhood Meeting Tues. Eve. 7:00 P.M.
- ✓ School devotions this week by: Louis Kauffman
- ✓ Fellowship lunch today after services. Everyone is welcome to attend.

~BIRTHDAYS AND ANNIVERSARIES ~

Happy Birthday! Oct. 9, Heidi Miller 1993

Devotional #13 Of The Father's Love Letter

I knit you together in your mother's womb.

For you created my inmost being; you knit me together in my mother's womb. Psalm 139:13 (NIV Bible)

When I read this verse, my mind wanders off to a Victorian style living room, softly lit by a crackling fire. There is a grandmother in this room, gently rocking back and forth in her maple rocking chair as she knits a sweater for a beloved grandchild. I can see the expression on her face, as all her love is, for this moment focused on this new creation.

In her mind, she can picture how the sweater will look when it is finished, and the joy that it will bring to her grandchild's heart. With anticipation, she continues to knit one, pearl two, knit one, pearl two as the sweater begins to take the form that she always imagined it to be. This project is not work for her, for it brings much joy to her soul and delight to her heart because each stitch is filled with love.

Now for a moment, think about how God knit you together in your mother's womb. Our Father uses such a tender illustration of how He lovingly, and carefully created our being. He could have blasted us together, or snapped His fingers and we would have appeared, but He chose a more delicate process in which He could be intimately involved as He formed us in our mothers womb...knit one, pearl two, knit one, pearl two.

Stitch by stitch, loop by loop, each one of our parts was delicately and carefully crafted by Almighty God. Your life is not the product of an impersonal evolution, but the result of a loving Father, who planned your creation before the foundations of the world, and took the time to knit you together in your mother's womb. You are a masterpiece, and your very existence brings much joy to your Father's heart.

PRAYER

Father I thank You for creating my inmost being. I know each strand of my DNA was fashioned by You, stitch by stitch, loop by loop, with a love that called me to life. I was created in love, and for love. And in my heart, I want to express my love back to you for being such a wonderful Father to

me that You would knit me together in my mother's womb. In the name of Your beloved Son Jesus, I pray. AMEN.

<https://www.fathersloveletter.com/devotional-13.html>

Mission & Vision Statement Of: Calvary Christian Fellowship

Mission: To realize our need of Christ.

To help one another on life's journey.

Vision: To surrender to Christ our Head, to walk in the Spirit, to love as Jesus loves.

To be a place where it's safe to share failures, struggles, hopes, and dreams.

To encourage, and empower one another to find God's purpose as we walk with Christ on our journey to Heaven.

To help the hurting find healing, and the lost experience salvation, in Christ.

To assist in physical needs among, and around us.