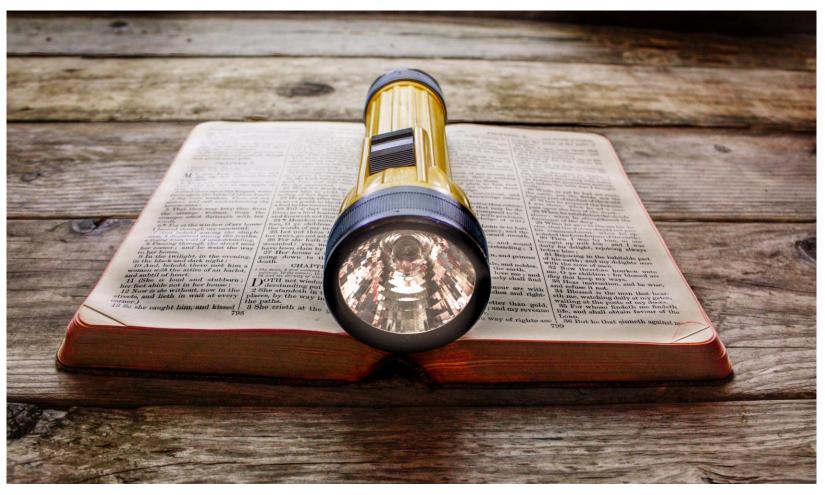
Welcome to the Family



John and Nancy Waddell

Church Camp Week!



Timber Ridge Christian Camp

2023 Theme:

Let Us Arise and Build



Building Our New Self in Christ



Our main passage for July: Colossians 3:8-14

having been buried with Him in baptism, in which you were also raised up with Him through faith in the working of God, who raised Him from the dead.

^{*}All Scriptures from 1995 New American Standard Bible

⁸ But now you also, put them all aside: anger, wrath, malice, slander, and abusive speech from your mouth.

- ⁹ Do not lie to one another, since you laid aside the old self with its *evil* practices,
- ¹⁰ and have put on the new self who is being renewed to a true knowledge according to the image of the One who created him—

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Changing My Heart

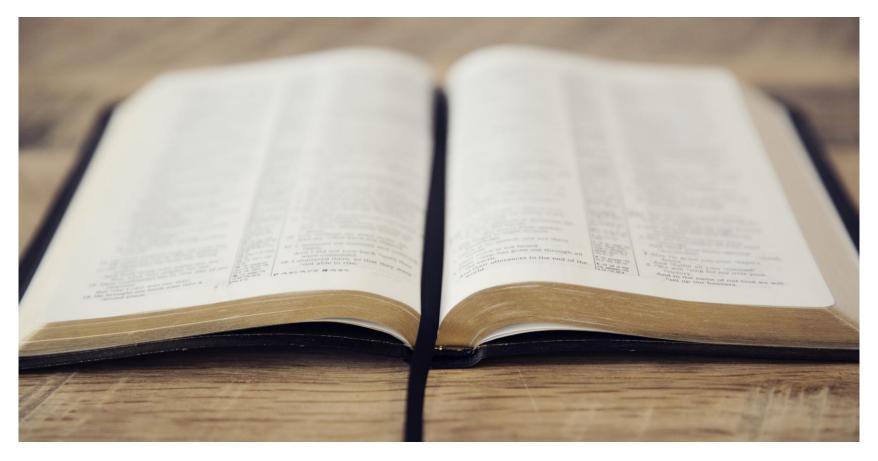
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The Spiritual Challenge of the Heart



> Verses that get our attention:

Romans 1:21

²¹ For even though they knew God, they did not honor Him as God or give thanks, but they became futile in their speculations, and <u>their foolish heart</u> was darkened.

Mark 7:21-23

- For from within, <u>out of the heart</u> of men, proceed the evil thoughts, fornications, thefts, murders, adulteries,
- deeds of coveting and wickedness, as well as deceit, sensuality, envy, slander, pride and foolishness.
- ²³ All these evil things proceed from within and defile the man."

Proverbs 4:23

²³ Watch over your heart with all diligence, For from it *flow* the springs of life.

Colossians 3:12 – Who We Are



> How God describes His people:

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Don't forget: we get to <u>choose</u> what kind of <u>heart</u> we have.

Colossians 3:12 – What We Must Do



How? You decide what to <u>remove</u> and what you allow to <u>grow</u>.
God helps us with this!

Colossians 3:12 – What We Put On



Christ-like qualities to fill my heart:

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Final Verse: 2 Corinthians 5:17

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¹⁷ Therefore if anyone is in Christ, *he is* a new creature; the old things passed away; behold, new things have come.



The Christian <u>transformation</u> begins with our <u>heart!</u>

Acts 2:37-38

- ³⁷ Now when they heard *this*, they were pierced to the heart, and said to Peter and the rest of the apostles, "Brethren, what shall we do?" 38 Peter said to them, "Repent, and each of you be baptized in the name of Jesus Christ for the forgiveness of your
- sins; and you will receive the gift of the Holy Spirit.

James 5:16

¹⁶ Therefore, confess your sins to one another, and <u>pray for one another</u> so that you may be healed. The effective prayer of a righteous man can accomplish much.