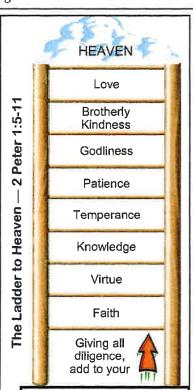
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The Bible

- ♦ Is a light for our understanding. Psalm 119:105.
- Is a mirror for our self-knowledge.

 James 1:23-24.
- Is the armor for our conflict. Ephesians 6:13-17.
- ♦ Is meat for our strengthening. Hebrews 5:14.
- ♦ Is milk for our nourishment. 1 Peter 2:2.
- Is seed for our sowing. Luke 8:4-15.
 - Richard Rogers, via Bulletin Digest -

MOMENTS WITH GOD

Happy moments - **praise** God. Difficult moments - **seek** God. Quiet moments - **worship** God. Painful moments - **praise** God. Every moment - **thank** God.

Pulpit Helps -

FINISHING WELL

Wouldn't you love to face eternity with confidence? You can!

"For I am already being poured out as a drink offering, and the time of my departure has come. I have fought the good fight, I have finished the race, I have kept the faith. Henceforth there is laid up for me the crown of righteousness, which the Lord, the righteous judge, will award to me on that Day, and not only to me but also to all who have loved His appearing" (2 Tim. 4:6-8).

Paul knew a giorlous welcome awalted him!

CHRIST

1 Corinthians 3:11

He knew he would hear, "Well done, good and faithful servant" (Matt. 25:21).

He knew his name would be acknowledged before the Father (Matt. 10:32).

He knew that God's grace was bigger than his sin.

He knew the mercy and love of the Lord was more powerful than his rebellion.

He knew it was not about how he started (persecuting Jesus and the Church—Acts 9:4), it was about how he finished.

The Good News of Jesus Christ: We are all sinners (Rom. 3:23), but Jesus died and rose again offering us hope (1 Thess. 4:13-14; Eph. 2:12-13).

When it comes to running the race of life (1 Cor. 9:24), it is not about how we start, it is about how we finish.

- Bart Warren, South Green Street church of Christ, Glasgow, KY (via Bulletin Digest) -

The greatest use of life is to spend it for something that will outlast it.

News & Notes

BAPTISM: Cheyenne Lamp, 1816 Michigan Ave., East Liverpool, OH 43920. Phone: 330-708-0788. Please add to your membership directory.

CARE & SHARE BEARS: Each **Tuesday** at **9:00 a.m.** All ladies are invited to participate in making small stuffed bears for sick and needy kids.

AREA WIDE MEN'S BREAKFAST: Next Saturday, Sept. 14th, 8:30 a.m. at the Columbiana, OH Church of Christ.

COVERED DISH DINNER & EARLY SERVICE: Sunday, Sept. 22nd about noon at the Fellowship Building followed by our early afternoon service at 2:00 p.m. at the church building.

LADIES INSPIRATION DAYS: (1) Saturday, Sept. 28th at Southern Hills Church of Christ, Salineville, OH. **Registration & mini-breakfast: 9-10 a.m. Topic:** "Quilting: Picking up the Pieces." **Speakers:** Jennifer Frances, Docie Moore, and Bobbie Goodnight. Lunch Provided.

(2) Saturday, Oct. 5th, 9:00 a.m. to 1:00 p.m., Columbiana, OH Church of Christ. Topic: Vinedressers - Growing the Fruit of the Spirit with Katie Gilchrist as speaker.

PANTRY: Applesauce.

REMEMBER IN PRAYER & WITH CARDS: Rick Beck (minister at Weston, WV), 807 Camden Ave., Weston, WV 26452. Rick had recent cancer surgery.

Kathy McGeehan (Mike Martin's sister-in-law), 11325 Straford Ridge Lane, Chardon, OH 44024. Kathy is undergoing cancer treatments.

SICK & SHUT-IN: VALLEY OAKS, East Liverpool: Fred Larrimore. AT HOME: Emma Rine, Cam Adamson (Twila's husband), Russell Martin, Blondenia Orr, Arlen & Joann Webb, Doris Dunham, Chris Lamb (David Roach's sister). FOX: Mary Jane Bowers. CROSSROADS: Sarah Miller. IN FLORIDA: Ilene Rayl.

GOSPEL MEETINGS East Liverpool, OH....... Sept. 8-11, 7 p.m. (except Sunday)..... Ed Melott CHESTER, WV..... Sept. 22-26, 7 p.m. (except Sunday).... Charles Pugh New Brighton, PA Sept. 22-25, 7 p.m. (except Sunday)... Paul Shero

What Name Would He Give You?

Choosing a name is an important responsibility. Those of us who are parents can remember opending hours reading books filled with buby names, discussing this name and that before deciding on just the right name.

However, I am told that the Native Americans used to give their children the name they had earned. A daughter may have the name Laughing Water, Minnie Haha or Timid One. A son might be named Running Deer, Wise Owl or Fighting Bull.

Suppose God would name his children the name they had earned. Some would be Helping Hand, Faithful Teacher, or Generous Heart. But on the other hand, there would be some wearing such names as Grouchy Bear, Lukewarm, Troublemaker, or Stingy Giver.

A name is important because it's not just a word. Your name is your character, the essence of who you are and what you stand for.

If God named you according to your life, what name would He give you?

- Author Unknown - (via Bulletin Digest)