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FOR THE RECORD			Opening Pra Lord's Table:	

Sunday AM	
Bible Study	58
Worship	92
Contribution	\$4606

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It is very frightening to be too deep. I may desire to go deep-sea fishing, but I do not desire to go deep-sea swimming. It is too deep. I may desire to go on a guided tour in a cave, but I do not desire to enter a cave alone and unguided. It is too deep. I love to observe the beauty of deep outer space (e.g., the stars), but I would never want to be in deep outer space. It is too deep. Depth or deepness causes fear for us in many situations in our lives, but I want us to see five things that are too deep, which actually bring assurance instead of anxiety; comfort instead of concern; fulfillment instead of fear.

The first four come from Romans 11:33. "O the depth of the riches both of the wisdom and knowledge of God! how unsearchable are his judgments, and his ways past finding out!" From this passage, we are reminded of the vast depths of God's wisdom (cf. 1 Corinthians 1:19–21; James 3:17; James 1:5–7), God's knowledge (cf. Psalm 139:1–6), God's judgments (Psalm 119:7, 13, 20, 30, 39, 43, 52, 62, 66, 75, 84, 102, 106, 108, 120–121, 137, 149, 156, 160, 164, 175), and God's ways (Psalm 25:4; 119:3, 15; 128:1; 145:17). Truly these aspects of God are too deep for us to fully comprehend, yet these should bring comfort instead of fear. Furthermore, we seek to grow in them and closer to Him.

The fifth item that is too deep for us to fully comprehend is God's Love. This fact comes from Ephesians 3:18–19. Paul prayed that the Ephesian Christians "May be able to comprehend with all saints what is the breadth, and length, and depth, and height; And to know the love of Christ, which passeth knowledge, that ye might be filled with all the fulness of God." Paul prayed that they would be able to comprehend and know God's Love through Jesus, yet he says it is a love that surpasses all knowledge.

Truly, God's Wisdom, Knowledge, Judgments, Ways, and Love are too deep for our complete understanding. Yet, these have been revealed by the Spirit (1 Corinthians 2:10). And, they are reachable through Christ (Ephesians 3:11–12). Some may say: "I'm afraid of betraying my family for Christ — I'm just in too deep;" or, "I'm afraid to leave the church I'm attending, even though I know what they are doing is contrary to the Bible — I'm just in too deep;" or, "I'm afraid God could never forgive me for all the sins I've committed — I'm in too deep." The good news is, if we will trust God and obey God, none of these are too deep for Him.

Have you obeyed His plan for you?

To our members and visitors - Welcome to Clinton! We are glad you're here!

CLINTON CALENDAR

July 22	Sister Friends
July 25	Song Service/Fingerfoods
July 27	Sister Friends
July 31	Kids Summer Celebration
Aug 4	Silver Saints Picnic
Aug 4	Youth & Families Picnic
Aug 29	Shanahans visiting

CLYDE'S SUMMER CELEBRATION

Kids and families - mark your calendars for Saturday, July 31, for Clyde the Camel's Summer Celebration here at the building. We will enjoy singing, crafts, fun, some Bible stories, and fun outside - bounce house, sno cones, and pizza! Details on starting and ending times will be forthcoming!

If you are willing to be a helper on the day of the celebration, please let Joey Smith know.

SISTER FRIENDS

Sister Friends will meet on Thursday, July 22, at 10am for an activity, devotional and brunch here at the church building. See Cheri Lancaster with questions.

Ladies will also meet at 6:00pm at Dean's Restaurant & Bakery in Oak Ridge (Jackson Square) for dinner on Tuesday, July 27. We look forward to seeing you then!

TEENAGE CHRISTIAN CAMP

TCC week 5 begins today! Each week of camp will be at half capacity, so sign up ASAP at www.teenagechristiancamp.org.

Please silence your cell phones during worship and Bible study.

Thanks!

What Will It Profit?

By Joe Slater

"Whoever desires to follow Me, let him deny himself, and take up his cross, and follow Me. For whoever desires to save his life will lose it, but whoever loses his life for My sake and the gospel's will save it. For what will it profit a man if he gains the whole world and loses his soul? Or what will a man give in exchange for his soul?" (Mark 8:34-37).

We usually look at profit in terms of money or other material wealth. Jesus indicates that we need to look far beyond that! Everything material, including our fleshly body, is temporary. You can accumulate vast earthly wealth, but you can't keep it. Don't believe me? Stick around a hundred years and see!

Of infinitely surpassing importance and value is that spiritual part of you called your soul. Jesus teaches three things relative to it:

First, each and every person has a soul. Sometimes "soul" refers to the entire person, body and spirit. But Jesus uses the term specifically of the inner spiritual person. "Fear Him who is able to destroy both soul and body in Hell" (Matthew 10:28).

Second, that soul can become lost. Jesus' parables of the lost sheep, lost coin, and lost son illustrate this sad fact.

Finally, even if you amass every bit of the world's wealth, but you exchange it for your soul, you have made a horrible, disastrous bargain. Surely the account of the rich man and Lazarus (Luke 16) highlights this.

Business people like to make a profit. Christians should too! "Godliness is profitable for all things, having promise of the life that now is and of that which is to come" (1 Timothy 4:8).

PRAYER REQUESTS

- Marge Brewer, Wanda Crider's mother, is now in a nursing home. She has not suffered any long-term effects from her stroke, but her health in general is declining.
- Chris Gonzalez is recovering from surgery to remove his tonsils.
- Elle McInturff is recovering well from surgery to remove her tonsils and adenoids.
- Grace Gonzalez has also been feeling sick.
- Sarah Mefford continues to recover from back surgery at home.
- Arthur Pigman continues to recover from outpatient surgery to remove a kidney stone.
- James McCrary is undergoing medical tests and is in need of our prayers.
- Lorene Sharp, Hubert Sharp's mother, has made some improvements.
- Jean Stokes, a friend of the Mowerys in Australia, is in poor health.
- Millard Adkins continues to need our prayers.
- Leroy Camp, husband of Terry Camp, a Norris firefighter known to many here, is in the hospital in California with blood clots.

Continue to remember: Dudley Brewer, Harriette Brown, Elijah Burt, Mike Chester, Ron Churchwell, Wade Colwell, Audrey Lynn Egerton, Bonnie Henderson, Gary Henderson, James McCrary, Charles McGhee, Norma Jean McGhee, Nancy Mitchell, Garrett Moore, Katie Moore, Ouita Northcutt, Britni Pflieger, Dylan Richey, Linda Roberson, Debbie Simon, Andrew Verble, Harrison Waldron, Jack Zorn

Cancer Treatment: Bonnie Adkins, Judy Bentley, Dudley Brewer, Bill Campbell, Sawyer Cole, Jerry Cross, Michael Ford, Gail Foust, Lee Herrington, Steve Higginbotham, Gladys Moore, Glen Morgan, David Pippen, Jack Price, Kevin Shanahan, Wayne Simon, Melea Smith, Vernie Vignolo, Gail Wilkinson, Buddy Wilson

Shut-In: Norris Health & Rehab - Polly Keck; The Waters of Clinton - Dicey Humphrey

Updates to the Prayer List may be sent to **churchofchristclinton@gmail.com** or given to Joey Smith.

PRAYER LIST UPDATES

Please help us keep our prayer list up-to-date! We need your help with both our long-term and short-term prayer list updates, additions, changes, and deletions. If you have any changes to our list, please see Joey Smith or email them to churchofchristclinton@gmail.com.

CLINTON CHURCH LIVE STREAM

We will continue to stream our Sunday morning services live online for those unable to join us here at the building. You DO NOT have to have a Facebook account to view. Follow this link:

www.facebook.com/churchofchristclinton/live/