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April 26, 2020
Daniel 5

Handwriting on the wall
Lesson:
We must give God honor.

Wednesday,
April 29, 2020
5th Wednesday

**Ernest Shelton** 903/628-2201 Johnny Thomas 903/628-1292 Russell Tyndell 903/748-2672 Deacons: John David Thomas Mike Raney Jody Thomas Scott Hobson Jamey Thomas Blake Tyndell Minister: Kevin Cauley Local# 430/200-7870 903/628-2891 Office: Secretary: Jim Patterson Monday - Friday 8:00 AM - 12:00 PM

### **SERVICES**

SUNDAY: Wednesday:

Bible Class suspended

Elders:

Worship 10:25 AM

Bible Classes suspended

Evening Worship suspended

We hope everyone is "tuning in" for the worship and frequent devotionals Kevin has been doing on YouTube via Livestream. Our YouTube channel is church of Christ New Boston.



Does the Bible Teach Socialism/Communism? (Part 4)

Some may ask, "Doesn't the Bible teach us to obey the government?" Yes. Passages such as Romans 13:1-7 and 1 Peter 2:13-17 command us to obey the law and even pay taxes. However, the Bible also teaches that if these laws contradict God's law, we have an obligation to obey God first (Acts 5:29). This in no way suggests that God sanctions a specific form of government.

Can advocates of income redistribution find support in the New Testament? The words of the apostle Paul in 2 Corinthians 9:7 speak God's desires for how the church is to collect funds: "So let each one give as he purposes in his heart, not grudgingly or of necessity; for God loves a cheerful giver." While God desires that we give, it is to be a free-will offering, not a government legislated obligation. It was this kind of giving that was done in Acts 2:44-45 and Acts 4:32-37. This giving was voluntary, not mandatory. Peter makes this clear in Acts 5:4 when he said to Ananias, "While it remained, was it not your own? And after it was sold, was it not in your own control?" In other words, Ananias was under no obligation to give this money. (His sin was in lying about what he gave, Acts 5:4). Having said that, does the church have the obligation to help the poor? Yes, but it is to be done as we have opportunity (Galatians 6:10).

While socialism/communism conflicts with religion in many ways (its founders, Karl Marx and Friedrich Engels, were atheists), the heart of its message is to employ the power of government to force economic change on societies by centrally controlling their capital through state ownership of property. Neither Jesus, nor the Bible, endorses such a system. To suggest otherwise is a failure to understand Jesus, who teaches His disciples to help the needy as a personal responsibility and as a work of the church.

God bless you, and I love you. Kevin Cauley Especially for the regular contribution, Treasurer Dave wants to let everyone know that anyone who wasn't here Sunday is welcome to come and leave their weekly contribution here at the office, during office hours (M-F 8a-12p). If you don't already have it in an envelope, we'll immediately place it into one upon arrival. If you call ahead, I can generally meet you at the door of your choosing. We appreciate the diligent brethren who have also taken to mailing these in to us.

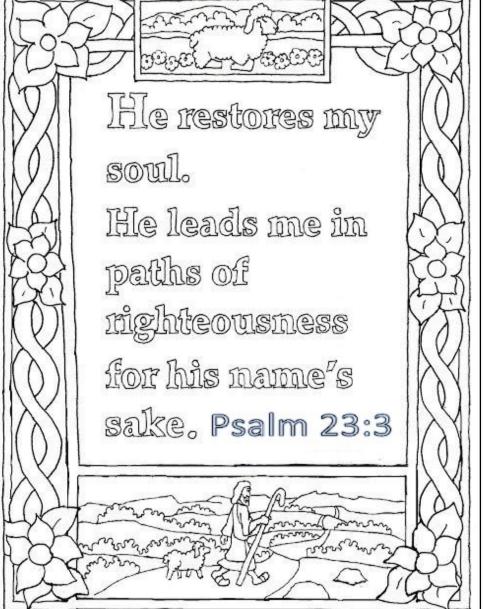


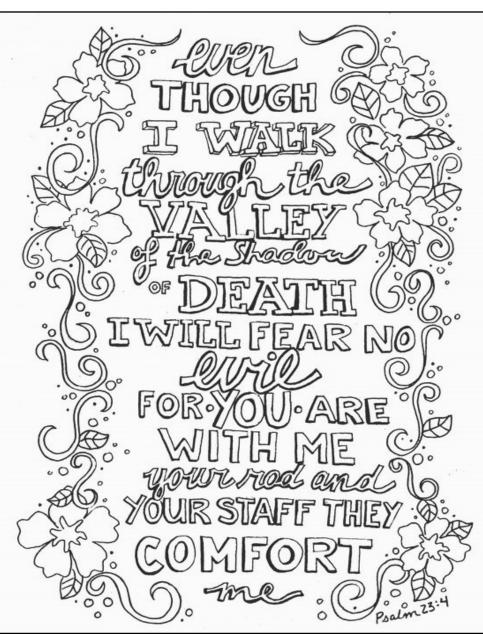
Cereal Canned Milk Jelly

#### **Birthdays**

Marie McPherson

April 30





# Please Pray For these in need

Don Grider Clara Inman
James Love Faith Salfen
Robin Upson Enoies Curbow
Billy Johnson Terry Woods

Amanda Georgakis Family of Elaine and family Cowling

Winnie Tucker Blake Drinkard Sara Jo Vance Meg Shelton

Juanita Higginbotham Marie McPherson Keith & Helen Clark Charles Lansford

Sue Yarberry

## **OUR FAITH IN ACTION**

#### Attendance

Sunday, April 19

Morning Worship\*

Contribution-Budget \$3,100.00

 Sunday, April 19, 2020
 \$4,132.00

 2020 Average
 \$2,988.92

\*approx. # (~) is online

# **God's Salvation Plan**

Divine Leve
Divine Love:John 3:16
God's Grace: Ephesians 2:8
Christ's Blood: Romans 5:9
The Holy Spirit's Gospel: Romans 1:16
Sinner's Faith: Acts 16:31
Sinner's Repentance:Luke 13:3
Sinner's Confession: Romans 10:10
Sinner's Baptism 1 Peter 3:21
Christian Work: James 2:24
Christian Hope: Romans 8:24
Christian's Endurance:Revelation 2:10