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## **Respecting The Weave**

The Latin word for “weave” is *texere*; we can see that root in words like textile. The word for “with” is *com*. Put the two together and you get a word that is extremely important in Bible study: context. The imagery for the word context is that of a woven fabric; lifting a thread out of that fabric tears the weave, ruins the fabric, and leaves the thread as weak version of its former self.

I remember selling men’s clothes back when I was in college. I didn’t know much about it when I started. I remember one day I was giving a woman a pair of pants that had been altered. She noticed a thread sticking out of the pants. Being the helpful salesman, I reached for a pair of scissors to cut the thread off. The woman who was working with me screamed from across the room “No!” I didn’t realize that these pants were woven, and the thread that I was about to cut was an integral part of the weave. Had I clipped that thread, it would have continued to unravel, ruining the pant. Luckily the other saleswoman was there to save the situation.

So it is with context in Bible study. A verse out of context loses all meaning. There is an old saying: “A text without a context is a pretext for a proof text.” The old story says that a man, seeking God’s will for his life, prayed that God would speak to him through the scriptures. He opened his Bible and it fell to the passage: “Judas went away and hanged himself.” Troubled, he turned to another passage that read: “Go thou and do likewise.” Such is the danger of taking a passage out of context.

Of course, when we talk about context, we are should actually talk about contexts. Because the context for a text is actually a layer of contexts. We look first to the immediate context, the verses preceding and following the one that we are examining. From there we look to the paragraph surrounding our verse, and then to the section of the book (which may or may not match up with the chapters; remember chapters and verses were added to the Bible long after it was written. The process was not completed until the 16th century!). We also have to consider the historical and cultural contexts. Finally we have to consider the context of the entire Bible; no one verse can contradict the teachings of the rest of Scripture.

That sounds like a lot of work. And it is. It has been popular through the

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**For our national leaders and world leaders** as they lead their respective nations.

**For our troops** in Afghanistan, Bosnia, Korea, Iraq, Liberia, Haiti and other places.

**For the "people in the box"-- the lost in** our families and community.

**For those who are being martyred and persecuted for Christ** in our own time

**For marriage to stand** in our laws as God ordained it.

**For the church in Siliguri and Naresh Chhetri and Ashok Basfor**

**For the churches in Honduras and Haiti who partner with us in the gospel**

**Jim Young** (Terri Young's husband) now under hospice care at home.

**Peggy Hollback** now out of the hospital and at home. Continuing dialysis until kidney transplant. Cards appreciated, please limit telephone calls.

**Richard Coriell** (Rick's Father) had open heart surgery Friday at KDMC. May come home Tuesday.

**Dick Havens** now at Heartland receiving heavy antibiotics to clear his blood. Heart ablation in Columbus in about a month.

**Jim Cunningham** now at Best Care.

**Kayla Coriell** is undergoing medication changes, pray for smooth transition.

**Sharon Gampp** being treated for a recent left shoulder injury, soon to have rotator cuff surgery on right shoulder. Lots of pain.

**Bud Coriell** (Josh, Ryan & Ira's father) diagnosed this week with advanced cancer.

**Alan Graff** scheduled to see oncologist about lung cancer on August 4.

**Patsy Graff** scheduled for endoscopy on August 1 to check progression of severe stomach ulcer.

**Henry Mason** remains in SOMC. Cards to Alexandria House, 811 Findlay St, Portsmouth 45662.



## Coming Events

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| 8/1     | Woodsfield Lock In                  |
| 8/12    | Kings Island Trip                   |
| 8/15-16 | First Responders Intensive Training |

### **Area Events**

Details for all of these events are posted on the bulletin board in the foyer.

- 8/2 - Midwestern Children's Home Golf Tournament 1 p.m.
- 8/9 - Ladies Inspiration Day at Circleville church of Christ - "Spring Cleaning"
- 9/13 - Ladies Day at Elm Grove church of Christ - "The Virtuous Woman"

### **First Responders Training**

Friday, August 15 from about 6-9 and Saturday, August 16, from 9 am into the evening, Ryan Butterfield and Jim Galyan of Capstone Treatment Center in Searcy, Arkansas, will be here at Sunshine to give training to those who want to work in recovery group ministry. There is no charge for this training. We need both men and women to train and certify in working with such recovery groups. Please prayerfully consider this opportunity. The ministry potential here is huge. There is a sign up sheet on the table for those who are planning to come. More details are coming. The first Sunday in August the AM lesson will be devoted to giving a fuller picture of what this training is about. See Steve Miller or Wayne Gampp if you have questions that need immediate answers.

### **Fourth Sunday PM Service**

For the evening service tonight, we will be having a preaching service for the adults in the auditorium. Jason Coriell is our speaker.

### **Woodsfield Lock-In**

The youth group will be attending a lock-in at the Woodsfield Church of Christ on August 1st. Anyone interested in attending can sign-up in the foyer. More information will be provided when it is available.

*Faith* IS NOT KNOWING  
WHAT THE FUTURE HOLDS,  
BUT KNOWING  
*who holds the future.*

For all the Law is fulfilled in one word, even in this, "You shall love your neighbor as yourself." Gal 5:14

## **Kings Island**

The Youth Group will be going to Kings Island on Tuesday, August 12. We will be leaving the church building at 8:00. Each person is responsible for obtaining their own ticket. This event is for both the jr. and sr. youth groups. Jr youth group members will need to be accompanied by an adult. Anyone planning to attend should sign up in the foyer. If you have any questions please see Tim.



## **VBS Evaluation**

If you worked in VBS and have not had a chance to offer your evaluation and insights about improving VBS for next year, please pick up an evaluation form from the table and fill it out, with your name. Put in Steve Miller's mail box in the church office.

## **VBS Money and Receipts**

If you have receipts and/or money to turn in from VBS please put your items in an envelope and deposit them in Steve Miller's mailbox in the church office. Thanks.

## **Mykah Has Arrived**

Friday, July 25, Mykah Coriell arrived safe and sound in the home of Zach and Jessie Coriell. Congratulations to Mom, Dad, Lexie, and the whole Coriell clan.



## **Updated Directories**

Copies of the latest update of the Fellowship Directory are on the table in the foyer. Take what you need. We'll make more.

## **Wedding Bells**

Congratulations to Scott Conkey and Rhonda (Berry) Conkey who were married on July 16 near Myrtle Beach, SC. Our prayers are with you for a lot of happiness together.



# **Respecting The Weave**

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years to claim that all you have to do is pick up the Bible and read it. The idea has been put forth that everyone should be able to understand the Bible with little or no effort. However, the Bible itself makes no such claim. Yet the work that we put into Bible study is nothing compared to the benefits we receive from it.

We must remember, however, that the verses of the Bible are not pieces of a jigsaw puzzle that can be removed and put together as we wish. They are threads woven together by the Holy Spirit; surely we are not so arrogant as to think that we are wiser than He as to how they are to be arranged. One of the worst things that we can do when studying a topic is to use a concordance to find all the verses that speak to that topic and then only study those verses. A concordance is a wonderful tool for identifying passages to be studied, but we must go to each text and study it in its context lest we teach something that is not true.

Don Neyland was telling me about a man who had preached at his congregation and had used over 70 different scripture references in his lesson. The members of Don's church had tried to turn to each and every one, but had had to abandon the task. It's hard to teach a lesson in context in that kind of situation. "A text without a context is a pretext for a proof text."

When someone can quote many verses from the Bible, we often say: "He really knows his Bible." Maybe, but does he know God's Bible? Only when we can explain how Philippians 4:13 fits into the context of the book of Philippians can we say that we really know our Bible. Being able to quote "I can do all things through Christ who strengthens me" doesn't show that we understand what Paul was saying there.

Let's put the necessary effort into reading and understanding our Bibles. The next time you quote a verse to someone, make sure that you can explain what the verse before it and the verse after it have to say. If you can't, maybe you haven't studied the context well enough.

I'm going to do my best to quit pulling threads out of the fabric. I hope that you will commit yourself to doing the same.

**Tim Archer**  
Herald of Truth



## Regular Service Times

### Sunday Morning

Welcome & Prayer  
Song Director  
Worship Leaders

Message

### July 27

Rich Book  
Aaron McCray  
Gabe Coriell  
Mark Villinger  
Jamie Riley

### August 3

Don Coriell  
Nick Davis  
Aaron Kallner  
Mark Gampp  
Steve Miller

### Sunday

Worship - 10:00 am  
Bible Study - 6:30 p.m.

### Wednesday

Bible Study - 7:30 p.m.

### Sunday Evening

Song Director  
Scripture Reading  
Lord's Supper  
Assist  
Prayer

Jacob Miller  
Steve Williams  
Shaun McCray  
Price Gammon  
Jason Coriell

Shawn Gragg  
Greg Shepherd  
Ira Coriell  
Dewey Cordle  
Mike Coriell

### Wednesday Evening

Song Director  
Prayer

Don Ramey  
Mike Coriell

Gabe Coriell  
Zach Coriell

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A verse from Galatians 5 has been scrambled with a letter substitution code. Determine the correct letter substitutions to reveal the scripture.

JMF WGG SXL GWT EN JVGJEGGLU

EQ MQL TMFU, LZLQ EQ SXEN, "IMV

NXWGG GMZL IMVF QLEDXPMF WN

IMVFNLGJ."

Hints: G=L, L=E