

The PRISM



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Looking For A Target

At age 39, David had long known he was the king-elect—elect of God. Even King Saul, his conniving father-in-law, knew it. Yet, there was no gracious surrender of the throne to David, no yielding to the will of God. Still at the helm, Saul was pursuing David hoping to kill him. David wasn't idle while he was on the lam. Enemies of Israel were on the move too, and David fought them with his small army of 600 men. Having completed maneuvers in Issachar, he made a forty mile trek back to south Judah where his wife Abigail lived along with the wives and children of his men. When he arrived, he was distressed to learn that the Amalekites had plundered and burned the city, and captured all the women and children, including his own. The men were so stricken that they and David wept until there was no more strength left within them. You can understand that. Many of us have known and seen people in such distress. However, the men were so bitter over losing their families that they spoke of stoning David.

This tells us then that the anger of man is a dangerous feeling looking for a target. Anger is a wild emotion and hard to control and it can do great harm. *Let every man be quick to hear, slow to speak and slow to anger; for the anger of man does not achieve the righteousness of God* (James 1:19-20). Anger is not trustworthy. It is so explosive, it may detonate and injure the wrong people. David could have been killed. He was arguably the Old Testament's greatest leader, but his leadership was threatened. He turned to the only thing that such a man can turn to. David strengthened himself in the Lord (1 Samuel 30:6). He inquired of God and in his prayer found the energy he needed to lead these same men to defeat their true enemy, rescue their wives, children, and possessions, plus capture a great abundance of spoils. But what if they'd acted on their bitterness? What if they had gotten rid of this leader? What if he had become discouraged in his mission? No wonder the Scripture says, *Let all bitterness and wrath and anger and clamor and slander be put away from you, along with all malice. And be kind to one another, tenderhearted, forgiving each other, just as God in Christ also has forgiven you* (Ephesians 4:31-32).

J.D. Cash
Centerville Church of Christ
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Prayer Requests

For those in the gulf area that are suffering through the effects of Katrina and Rita

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 lost in our families and community.

For the ban on partial birth abortion to stand as law.

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

For the church in Siliguri and Naresh Chetri

For **Tim and Jennifer** in the adoption process and the health of baby **Zoe**.

Chris Holbrook (husband to Brandy Gampp's coworker) is scheduled for another surgery in the near future. Prognosis is not good for Chris.

Albert Cunningham and Ola Cunningham are both in the hospital (same room at SOMC). Albert is no longer being treated but is being kept comfortable as much as possible.

Nathan Fitch (31 years old, married with children) has been diagnosed with a lung disease that will probably soon take his life. Prayers for him and family.

Andy Graff has an important job interview coming up.

Zach Sims injured his knee about 2 weeks ago and is scheduled for knee surgery December 2.

Chris Blume (Joanne Miller's nephew) was taken back to a Columbus hospital with Crohns Disease.

Charlie Flagg has been diagnosed with cancer and is starting chemotherapy before surgery.

Sam Miller has an unspoken request for prayer.

College Students will be taking final exams over the next few weeks.

Gerald Davis, Kristine Coriell's father, was in an airplane crash on Saturday and has 2nd and 3rd degree burns over 20% of his body. He is in the hospital in Georgia. His best friend was killed in the crash and he is dealing with a lot of emotional stress.

Elbrooke in November

November is our month for Elbrooke Services. We need teachers for the Bible Study on Thursday nights at 7 pm and speakers for the worship service on Sunday's at 2 pm. In addition we need song leaders and people to help with singing and prayer, etc. The sign up sheet is on the bulletin board. Please sign up for the spots which you can and will cover. Also, please note that we have a Sunday and Thursday in December for which we are responsible. We will be singing as a group for the Thursday session, but we do need help with the Sunday service.

Flu Shots CANCELLED

We have been notified that the flu vaccine we were hoping to administer next Sunday will not be delivered. If you are able to get a vaccination somewhere else, you are advised to get it there if possible as we do not anticipate that we will be able to get any vaccine any time soon. The Portsmouth City Health Department has a limited number of doses that they hope to offer before the Thanksgiving holiday and will be announcing it's availability on the radio and in the paper.

Thanksgiving Service

The Sunday after Thanksgiving we always have a service where a few of our men take the time to "thank and praise the Lord" for the many blessings which they and their families have received from the Lord. The date for this service this year is November 27.

Fellowship Dinners Scheduled

Ladies, please mark November 27th and December 18th on your calendars and treat us to some of that wonderful food you're famous for! Fellowship dinners are scheduled after morning worship services on those dates. For more information, contact Scott Gampp.

Looking Ahead at Sunshine

- Nov. Sunshine's month at Elbrooke
- Nov. 20 Sunday PM Home Groups **End**
- Nov. 27 Men's Thanksgiving Service
- Nov. 27 Fellowship Dinner
- Dec. 16 Christmas Program
- Dec. 18 Fellowship Dinner

Bible Study Text

Sunday

11/13 Rom 13-16

11/20 I Cor 1-2

11/27 I Cor 3-4

Wednesday

11/16 Deut 31-36

11/23 Joshua 1-2

11/30 Joshua 3-4

Updated study listings are posted on the church website

Christmas Program Rehearsal

Singers, today at 4:30 pm at Scott and Candi's house.

Sunday PM Services

Home Groups continue tonight. There will be a group meeting here at the building.

Thank You

Thanks to everyone that helped with the Senior Ambassador Dinner on Saturday night. -Terry

Teen Devo

At the Hayward's (Ashley, Melinda, Melissa) house, Tuesday, 6:30 pm. This is a special "Bring-A-Friend" devo—we are shooting for 50 people! Teens, get out there and invite your friends!

Home Groups Continue

This evening is the fourth session of our Sunday Evening Home Groups. Groups should meet at 6:30 pm and be wrapping things up around 8:00 pm.. If you haven't been attending, check the table in the foyer and sign up for the group that you would like to attend.

- **Group Leaders**, if you have several teens in your group, you may want to download a modified version of the material from our website that has been re-worded to apply to a broader audience. Just click on the picture of the house near the bottom of our home page.

Lesson Five (next week's lesson) will be available next Sunday morning on the table in the foyer.

- **Hosts**, don't forget to post the attendance numbers for your group this past week.

Address Updates

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Belpre Youth Rally

We have room for two more people if you are interested in going to this youth rally on Nov. 19th. You must let Terry know TODAY if you want to go. There is a \$25 fee for the rally. We will be leaving the building at 6:30 Saturday morning and should get back around midnight.



**The Lord is
my shepherd...
I shall
not want.**

THOSE WHO SERVE

Sunday Morning

Bible Class Text
Welcome & Prayer
Song Director
Scripture Reading
Prayer
Lord's Supper - Server 6
Server 5
Server 4
Wine
Bread
Server 3
Server 2
Server 1
Message
Closing Prayer

November 13

Romans 13-16
Don Coriell
Ralph Gamp
Jacob Miller
Jamie Riley
Eric McLaughlin
Ike Hardin
Matt Hoskins
Jeff Hayward
Terry Royster
Gary Glispie
Chuck Allison
Chun Coriell
Jon Coriell
Mike Coriell

November 20

1 Corinthians 1-2
Jon Coriell
Taylor Hoskins
Dewey Cordle
Aaron McCray
Josh Coriell
Barry Gamp
Matt Cram
Caleb Miller
Mark Risner
Travis Scott
Kevin Stimpert
Dale Gamp
Jamie Riley
Aaron Kallner

Sunday Evening

Song Leader
Opening Prayer
Lord's Supper
Closing Prayer

HOME
GROUP
MEETINGS

HOME
GROUP
MEETINGS

Wednesday Evening

Song Director
Prayer
Bible Class Text

Zach Coriell
Greg Coriell
Deut 31-36

Nick Davis
Mark Gamp
Joshua 1-2

Scheduled Services

Sunday

Bible Study - 9:45 am
Worship - 10:30 am
Home Groups - 6:30 p.m

Wednesday

Bible Study - 7:30 p.m.

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