

JULY 25, 2021

BAPTIST CHURCH

Greater
Christ



From Pastor Perkins

TRUE PROSPERITY II



I don't know if you keep these little devotionals I write for the bulletin each week, but I am sticking with the text I used last week because it addresses a component of prosperity that I didn't have the time and space to discuss at that time: health. The Apostle John says in III John 2: "I pray that you will prosper and be in good health, even as your soul prospers." Health is an important component of prosperity. In fact, I have heard some people say, "If you've got your health, you've got everything." I don't know if I completely agree with that statement. It's got to be tough having good health, but having no money, no income, and no fulfilling relationships. But I imagine it's got to be worse to have millions, and yet not be healthy enough to enjoy it.

To be sure, in this capitalistic society, money will make it possible to get the best medical care, but money can't give you health or keep you alive. I saw *The Aviator*, a movie about the mogul, Howard Hughes. With all the millions he accumulated, he was plagued by schizophrenia and paranoia. What a trip! He didn't enjoy good mental health and later died, leaving all his millions unclaimed by a legitimate heir.

God wants us to enjoy good health. We have a responsibility to develop a lifestyle that will sustain and improve the quality of our health. We must eliminate unhealthy habits like drinking and smoking, eating too much, neglecting exercise, failing to pay attention to a proper diet. All these seemingly small and insignificant details are enormously important in guarding and maintaining good health. Bad habits take their toll on the body over time.

Wealthy people take good care of their health. Have you ever noticed how long a lot of these old rich folks live? Rose Kennedy lived well into her nineties. So did Bob Hope and some other old rich folks! Ever notice that our famous rich black folks don't live that long? Umm!

It doesn't matter how much money you have if you don't have your health. Our whole medical industry has shifted its focus from must seeking medical care when we get sick to preventive medicine. Companies will pay you to stay healthy because in the long run, it's less expensive.

Part of living a Christ-centered life is living a healthy lifestyle. God wants you to be healthy. This mental, physical, and spiritual. All three aspects of our nature are important to our well-being. In God's name, take care of yourself.

Be Blessed

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NEWS AND NOTES

JULY 25, 2021

Sunday Study Hour

8:45 am - 9:45 am

w/ Rev. Dr. Cynthia Miller

Call the church office & leave email address or cell number

Experiencing God w/ Janice King - meet.google.com/pev-vuzc-gld

MARCH - MAY

FOCUS: Prophets Faithful to God's Covenant; Studies in the Old Testament

9 am - 10 am

w/ Rev. LeRoy Heard - Zoom ID: 207 009 4492 Password: 8vR6ED

w/ Sharon Smith - Dial: 866-226-3606 Code: 5243725#

w/ Deacon Jeanette Stewart - Dial: 605-475-4858 Code: 896661

12:30 pm - 1:30 pm

w/ Penny Covington & Gytina Roy - Dial: 425-436-6341 ID: 7447507

Wednesday Noon Study Hour

12:00 pm - 1:00 pm

w/ Rev. Dr. Cynthia Miller - Dial: 774-220-4000 ID: 721 9004

Thank You

To Pastor Perkins, 1st Lady Linda, Officers, and Members,

Thank you for your kind expression of sympathy at a time when it is greatly appreciated.

The family of Robert A. Wesley (Kelvin & Joyce Wells)

24/7 prayer

WE'RE HERE FOR YOU

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Therefore I tell you, whatever you ask for in prayer, believe that you have received it, and it will be yours.

- Mark 11:24

SUMMER CAMP

JULY 26TH - AUGUST 20TH

8AM-6PM

(EARLY DROP OFF AVAILABLE AT 7:30 AM)

Ages 5-13

Breakfast and Lunch provided
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Beginning the week of July 26th

Ages 7-17

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email: greaterchrist@ameritech.net
to register!

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7:00 am - 7:10 am

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WHO IS ELIGIBLE?

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community depend on it!