

Make Church a Part of Your Life

WEEKLY SERMONETTE



"God Bless America"

By Darel Boston, Christian Church, Retired

A democracy doesn't work without a selfless citizenry, and we're not naturally selfless. That requires a new nature. Our America in this election year is scrutinizing candidates. We need to be examining ourselves as carefully. "The road to hell is paved with good intentions!" We must do more!

1. "Make a joyful noise to the Lord"
I worshipped with Brazilians recently, mingled with people from around the world. The music and praise were loud and glorious. We weren't musicians; we were lifting praise with joy! If you're not going to church, or if you're not making a joyful noise, change now. American citizen, you're free, and you can't start any younger.

2. "Be still and know that I am God."
Many who attend church, and do make a joyful noise, avoid the silence that also is needed to feed the soul. We have developed a culture of noise that fears silence. Shut off every noise in your life for awhile every day, and ponder the presence of God. It doesn't come naturally, unless you're experiencing the new nature. Repentance is the prelude, and patient persistence is required, but knowing God is well worth the investment. Shallow hypocrisy is the alternative, and leads to despair in this life and the one to come!

3. "Thy Word will I hide in my heart..."
The Bible isn't God. But if you "hunger and thirst for righteousness" the Bible instructs and inspires wondrously in that direction. Do you have a daily reading discipline? If not, now's the time to start! The Bible I'm reading will be completed in one year at 3 pages per day. You can start at Genesis 1 and read it through in a year or follow some other plan. But read the Bible daily, with the prayer that God will teach you His will and help you to do it.
God bless America? May He find my life, and yours, available instruments of that blessing.



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Take a moment, around Labor Day, to consider how our attitudes about our jobs impact our life experience. Does it help keep our daily lives interesting if we challenge ourselves? In rising to meet challenges we grow in knowledge, in courage, in humility and in self-respect. Additionally, others respect us and see us as an encouraging example. At work and at worship, let us pray for the courage to challenge ourselves to rise to new heights.

Weekly Scripture Reading

Leviticus	Psalm	Psalm	Psalm	Psalm	Psalm	2 Samuel
19:1-37	103	104	105	106	107	7:1-29

Scriptures Selected by the American Bible Society

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Separate sealed Bids for the construction of two separate projects are being requested by the City of Clayton. These projects include the following approximate major items of work:

- 2012 Water Storage Improvements**
- Existing Standpipe Relocation
 - New Standpipe Foundation
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 - Standpipe Modifications
 - Standpipe Coating

- 2012 Water Treatment Improvements**
- Construction of a new 24'x30' masonry water treatment building
 - Installation of Owner supplied treatment equipment
 - Supply and installation of miscellaneous piping and equipment
 - Standby generator

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