

Bible should be used for study, not just collect dust

Most people have a Bible on their shelves. Often it collects a lot of dust, but it should do more. What can a person gain by taking the time to read and study the Bible?

Psalms 1:1-3 says, "Happy is the man that has not walked in the counsel of the wicked ones, and in the way of sinners has not stood, and in the seat of ridiculers has not sat. But his delight is in the law of God, and in his law he reads in an undertone day and night. And he will certainly become like a tree planted by streams of water, that gives its own fruit in its season and the foliage of which does not wither, and everything he does will succeed."

Isaiah 48:17 says of God: "the One teaching you to benefit yourself, the One causing you to tread in the way in which you should walk."



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- use it or lose it

The Bible contains advice that can help us with life. Its practical advice includes Ephesians 4:26: "Be wrathful, and yet do not sin; let the sun not set with you in a provoked state."

In other words, no matter how good a reason we have to be angry, we should control our actions and settle disputes as quickly as possible. This prevents us from embarrassing ourselves, or worse yet, committing a crime out of anger, and saves us the extra stress of stewing

over things for a long time. And it saves us from letting problems with others stew so long they become bigger than they started out.

Matthew 6:34 advises: "So, never be anxious about the next day, for the next day will have its own anxieties. Sufficient for each day is its own badness."

2 Corinthians 1:3, 4 says, "Blessed be the God and Father of our Lord Jesus Christ, the Father of tender mercies and the God of all comfort, who comforts us in all our tribulation, that we may be able to comfort those in any sort of tribulation through the comfort with which we ourselves are being comforted by God."

Though the Bible was written by 40 different men over a period of 1,600 years, it has continuity of thought because the author is God.

2 Peter 1:20, 21 says, "For you know this first, that no prophecy of Scripture springs from any private interpretation. For prophecy was at no time brought by man's will, but men spoke from God as they were borne along by holy spirit."

2 Timothy 3:16, 17 says, "All Scripture is inspired of God and beneficial for teaching, for reproving, for setting things straight, for disciplining in righteousness, that the man of God may be fully competent, completely equipped for every good work."

Even if others around us ridicule us for studying the Bible, try to tell us we are wasting our time on an out-

dated book or even get angry when we choose to serve God, it is worth it.

Matthew 5:10-12 says, "Happy are those who have been persecuted for righteousness sake, since the kingdom of the heavens belongs to them. Happy are you when people reproach you and persecute you and lyingly say every sort of wicked thing against you for my sake. Rejoice and leap for joy, since your reward is great in the heavens; for in that way they persecuted the prophets prior to you."

John 17:3 says, "This means everlasting life, their taking in knowledge of you, the only true God, and of the one whom you sent forth, Jesus Christ."

Studying the Bible teaches us God's thoughts, which Isaiah 55:8,

9 reminds us are higher than ours. It can comfort us in difficult times and give us what we need to comfort others.

The Bible provides practical advice for dealing with day-to-day life and can give us the fortitude to deal with those who reject God and persecute those who serve Him.

The Bible's message provides what we need to deal with life now and what is required to gain everlasting life. And though life is often difficult, the Bible says those who read it daily are happy.

Reading and studying the Bible does not make us immune to problems, but it gives us the guidance to deal with them, a hope for a truly happy future and the knowledge that we can serve God faithfully, a true source of happiness.

4-H news

The monthly meeting of the Beaver Valley 4-H Club was held Monday, Jan. 10. President Ashley Christians called the meeting to order.

There were 14 members, two leaders, one guest and four adults present. Paige Phillips led the group with the American flag salute and Austin Hernandez the 4-H salute.

Andrea Roeder, the secretary, read the minutes, and they were approved. She also read a thank you from Ryan and Garrett Taylor for the

club donating to the spring livestock show.

The club then had reports of officers and committees. President Ashley then introduced guest Dana Belshe. He talked to the group about the extension office and how it's always there if you need anything, and he explained 4-H Days and talent night.

For new business, it was decided to buy a brick for \$75 from the state fair to be engraved and laid where they are redoing the building. It was

also decided to have Kim Roeder put a letter together about the club ski trip.

President Ashley then handed the gavel over to Vice President Erin

Topliff for the program. Paige Phillips talked on the fundamentals of basketball for "other."

The gavel was then handed back to Ashley, and she recessed the

meeting for recreation by Karlee Raile. She led the group in a game of musical chairs.

The meeting was then called back to order by Ashley, who read the

announcements.

The meeting was then adjourned by saying the 4-H motto. Refreshments were served by the Stefan family.

matters of record

Accidents

The following accidents were reported to the Goodland Police Department:

Jan. 4 — Ronald W. VanLoenen was backing up in a 1993 Ford pickup when he hit Josie Hernandez in a 2001 Ford Taurus in the driver's side back door at 10:42 a.m. at 124E. 11th.

Landon Z. Williams was driving a 1996 Chevrolet suburban and Jason Finley was driving a 1992 GMC pickup when they hit each other after attempting to stop but sliding on ice at 12:07 p.m. at 14th and Cherry.

Jan. 5 — Tye W. Jackson was pulling into the Pizza Hut parking lot in a 1992 Ford pickup when the truck slid on ice and hit John

Hendrich in a 2002 Chevrolet suburban at 12:01 p.m. at 1803 Cherry.

Jan. 8 — Michele R. Werth was driving a 2001 Pontiac west in the parking lot at 10:58 a.m. at 2160 Commerce Rd. when the vehicle was hit by a 1988 Oldsmobile driven by Clydia R. Sharon. Damage in the accident was minor.

Jan. 7 — Dewayne Lalicker reported that his 1996 Infinity was struck while parked and unattended by an unknown vehicle in the parking lot at 9:40 p.m. at 509 Caldwell.

Jan. 9 — Loraine M. Albers drove a 1999 Ford into a concrete sign post while searching for a parking space at 12:45 p.m. at 2160 Commerce.

Worship warms the heart

Calvary Gospel Church
Pastor: Rev. Steve Rains
Fourth & College • 899-3605
Sunday: Sunday School: 9:15 am
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Wednesday: Prayer and Worship: 7:00 p.m.
Youth @ the Rock House: 7:00 p.m.

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Pastor: Father Norbert Dlabal
307 W. 13th • 890-7205
Sacrament of Reconciliation:
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Mass Schedule:
Saturday: 6 pm, Sunday: 10:30 am
Spanish Mass:
1st & 3rd Sunday: 4 pm

Sonrise Christian Church
Ninth & Caldwell • 899-5398
Minister:
Youth Minister:
Sunday: Worship Service: 9:30 am
Sunday School: 10:45 am
Wednesday:
Junior/Senior High Meeting: 7 pm
Adult & Children's Classes: 7 pm

Word of Life
Joursquare Church
10th & Clark • 899-5250
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Sunday: Sunday School: 9 am
Morning Service: 10 am
Evening Service: 6:30 pm
Wednesday: Evening Bible Study: 7 pm

Church of Jesus Christ
of Latter-Day Saints
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(719) 346-7984
Sacrament Meeting: 10 am
Sunday School: 11:15 am
Priesthood/Relief Society: 12 am

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Spanish Speaking Church
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1601 Texas • 899-5275
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Saturday: 5 am & 6 pm
Sunday: Sunday School: 10 am

United Methodist Church
Brewster:
Pastor:
Worship Service: 10:45 am CST
Sunday School: 9:45 am CST
Winona:
Minister: Rev. Bob Winters
Worship Service: 9 am CST
Sunday School: 10:15 am CST

First Christian Church
(Disciples of Christ)
Pastor: John Park Winkler
Eighth & Arcade • 890-5233
Sunday: Worship Service: 10:30 am
Sunday School: 9:15 a.m.
Activities: Junior High & High School Youth Groups,
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Church
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399-2468
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Worship Service: 10:15 am

Church of the Nazarene
Pastor: Bob Willis
Third & Caldwell
899-2080 or 899-3797
Sunday: Sunday School: 9:45 am
Worship Service: 10:50 am
Evening Service: 6 pm
Wednesday: Evening Service: 7 pm

First United Methodist Church
1116 Sherman
899-3631
Pastor: Rev. Janet Hernandez
Saturday: Informal Worship: 5:30 pm
Sunday: Sunday School: 9:15 am
Worship Service: 10:30 am

Goodland Bible Church
109 Willow Road • 899-6400
Pastor: Chad DeJong
Sunday: Sunday School: 9:30 am
Morning Worship: 10:45 am
Evening Worship: 6 pm
Wednesday: AWANA (Winter)
and prayer: 7 p.m.

First Baptist Church
Pastor: John Meckling
Fifth & Center • 890-3450
Sunday: Sunday School for all ages:
9:15 am (Child care provided)
Morning Worship: 10:30 am
Wednesday: Bible study 7 p.m.
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Thursday: Bible study 9:30 a.m.
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13th & Center
Church 890-2115 or Rectory 890-6969
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Holy Eucharist: 10:00 a.m. Sunday
10:00 a.m. Thursday
Morning Prayer: 8:00 a.m. Wed. - Sun.
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Mon. and Tues. 890-3320

Grace Fellowship Church
104 E. Hwy 24 • 890-6423
Pastor:
Sunday: Sunday School: 10 am
Worship Service: 11 am

Seventh Day Adventist Church
1160 Cattletrail
Pastor: Jim Martin
Saturday: Sabbath School: 9:30 am
Worship Service: 11 am

Emmanuel Lutheran Church
13th & Sherman • 890-6161
Pastor: Scott Grimshaw
Sunday: Christian eduction/fellowship:
10:15 a.m.
Worship Service: 9 am
Wednesday: Confirmation: 6 pm

Church of Christ
401 Caldwell
890-6185
Sunday: Bible Study: 9:45 am
Worship Service: 10:45 am
Wednesday: Bible Study: 7 pm

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