

Sermon Guide
AM Drake Pogue:
Notes:

PM Tyler Lundy:
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Daily Bible Reading: 9/26 Nahum 1-3, 9/27 Hab.-Zeph., 9/28 Haggai 1-2,
9/29 Zech. 1-7, 9/30 Zech. 8-14, 10/1 Malachi 1-4, 10/2 Matt 1-4

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Sunday:
9:30 AM - Bible Study
10:30 AM - AM Worship

Wednesday:
7:00 PM - Bible Study

WELCOME!

LIVE-STREAMING INFORMATION INSIDE

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Finally, brethren, pray for us, that the word of the Lord may have free course, and be glorified, even as it is with you: And that we may be delivered from unreasonable and wicked men: for all men have not faith. But the Lord is faithful, who shall stablish you, and keep you from evil.

2 Thessalonians 3:1-3

What We Need to Succeed (Part 1)

Brian R. Kenyon

Being successful in anything constructive does not just happen accidentally. Not only does being successful in a business or profession take hard work and sacrifice, other things also must fall into place, without which, success would be impossible. Being successful in the Lord is no different. Not only does it take deliberate effort and sacrifice, but success also involves the right things falling into place. Fortunately for the Christian, those necessary things falling into place are provided by the Lord. Let us consider three things that are needed in order to succeed in the sight of the Lord.

The Lord's Word

The success of the Christian begins first with the Word of God. Without God's Word, no one would ever know how to please Him. Thus, Paul requested, "Finally, brethren, pray for us..." (2 Thessalonians 3:1 NKJV). Paul was not afraid to ask for the prayers of the church (Ephesians 6:18-20; Colossians 4:3; 1 Thessalonians 5:25). The apostle requested that they pray for two things, each of which has to do with the Word of God.

First, Paul wanted prayers so that "the word of the Lord may run swiftly and be glorified, just as it is with you" (2 Thessalonians 3:1b). The word translated "run swiftly" ["have free course," KJV; "spread rapidly," ESV] literally means to run, but when used metaphorically, as here, it means to "make rapid strides." The same word is translated "run" in 1 Corinthians 9:24-26. The Word of God being able to "run swiftly" will result in many people pleasing God (Romans 10:17). The devil knows this. Thus, he wants to snatch the Word from our hearts (Luke 8:12).

Second, Paul desired prayers so that "we may be delivered from unreasonable and wicked men; for not all have faith" (2 Thessalonians 3:2). The "unreasonable" ["perverse," NAS] are those who are hurtful and antagonistic to the Lord and His cause. These are those who will spare no expense in doing all they can to eliminate the truth and those who labor in it (1 Thessalonians 2:14-16). These types of people were present in the days of Jesus, being so opposed to God's will that they even attributed the power of the Holy Spirit to "Beelzebul" (Matthew 12:22-37). These types of people are also present today. Christians must realize that not everyone will accept the Gospel!

Where the Word of God goes unhindered, it will often result in people glorifying the Lord. In order for us to be successful, we must allow God's Word to run swiftly and have free reign within us, controlling our entire being!

To Be Continued Next Week.

ANNOUNCEMENTS

BIBLE STUDY at 9:30 AM and AM WORSHIP SERVICE AT 10:30 AM

Live Stream: www.colliervillecoc.org and <https://www.facebook.com/colliervillecoc>

FOR CONNECTING BY PHONE STEP 1 – CALL 312-626-6799

STEP 2 – ENTER THE MEETING ID: 88626632644##

STEP 3 – 168574#

POTTER C. H. PANTRY ITEM for September is **egg noodles**.

NATIONWIDE GOSPEL MEETING CALL for Thursday night at 9 pm will be speaker: Larry F. Shead, Sr., Topic: "What Is Your Choice" Call 857-216-6700 code 328497 or 602-610-2077 code 219702.

NESBIT GOSPEL MEETING - Speaker: Scott Cain 10/2 - 10/5 "IT STILL MATTERS have we forgotten?"

GETWELL- Spiritual Sword Lectureship – Oct. 16-20. **EARLY VOTING begins Oct. 19 – Nov. 3.**

MSOP 7th Annual World Evangelism Seminar, "A Fire In My Bones" 10/14-15. See flyer on the board.

MSOP Ongoing Spiritual Training fall semester- 9/8-11/24 at MSOP or Online (for anyone). Detailed flyer on the board.

DON'T FORGET to tune in daily to **TRUTH.FM!**

OUR SICK:

Rudell & Dorothy Wilson, Janie Marlin, Patricia Whitley- GI issues, **Casandra Cason** - GI issues

Alan and Sandra Highers are at home recovering from COVID & pneumonia.

Gladys Liles has moved to Kirby Pines, Providence Place, Rm 124A, 3535 Kirby Pkwy, Memphis, TN 38115

She can't have visitors between 11:30-12:30 and 5:30-6:30. Evening visitation is 6:30-8:00 pm. She is scheduled to have a phone by Thursday.

Tish Clarke will have gamma knife radiation Friday for metastatic melanoma brain cancer.

Julee Adams is in Houston for experimental cancer treatments.

Denise Montgomery, Delisa's mom will have surgery Friday to remove cage from foot. She will be in a wheelchair four additional weeks before she can start physical therapy.

Maury Phillips is recovering from hand and elbow surgery.

PLEASE PRAY FOR THESE:

Homebound/Assisted Living

James Luna
Celeste Moore
Brenda Bruce
Gladys Liles

Those Battling Cancer

Leroy Fisher, Janell Grizzard,
Lynn Guillot, Johnny Fisher,
Julee Adams, Hattie Shell, Nancy Hixon,
Skip Wyse, Michael Stack's Uncle Ronnie
Charles Van Namen, Betty Brawley,
Macy Roebuck, Tish Clarke

Physical Problems

Don Robertson, Eddie Grimes,
Sasha & Natasha Maluga
Kristi Springer, Dianna Shaffar, Murry
Springer, Hollis Redden, Maury
Phillips, Tish Clarke, Monica Jordan,
Crystal Rushmore, Phyllis McLilly,
Barbara Dilliard, Denise Montgomery,
Fred Nations

**MISSIONARIES: Louis & Martha Rushmore
Marlon & Jacky Retana**

WORSHIP LEADERS

Song Leader: Tyler Lundy
Opening Prayer: Joe Cason
Closing Prayer: Phillip Gooch

AM Worship
PM Worship
Drake Pogue
Terry Sanderson
Eric Halverson

Wednesday Night
Song Leader: Murry Springer
Devot: Drake Pogue
Closing Prayer: Terry Whitley