"Let your light so shine before men, that they may . . . glorify your Father in heaven."
Matthew 5:16

The Coastal Light

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Evangelize

"Go therefore and, make disciples of all nations, baptizing them in the name of the Father and of the Son and of the Holy Spirit, Teaching them to observe all that I have commanded you. And behold I am with you always, to the end of the age."

Mt. 28:19-20
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"The churches of Christ salute you"
Romans 16:16

Sunday Services

10:00 am Class
11:00 am Worship
Wednesday Service
7:00 p.m.

In respect of the worship service, please turn off or place your cell phone on silent during worship.

THANK YOU

Welcome Visitors

You are our honored guest.
Thank you for coming to visit with us.

Please complete a Visitor's Card and put it in the collection plate or give it to one of the men and please sign the register in the foyer so we can have a permanent record.

You are encouraged to take any DVDs or tracts you find in the foyer and enjoy some Visitors Bread in the basket beside the door as you exit.

Past sermons can be found on our website at: www.churchofchristst m.org.

If you have any questions about anything you have heard or seen, please feel free to ask.

PRAYER REQUEST
FRIENDS & FAMILY

- Bill Atnip – In the hospital with Covid. (Marty Wynne's uncle)
- Graham & Dollie – Continued prayers for the loss of her sister.
- Tiffany – Upcoming medical procedure.

Today's Sermon

The Riches in Christ

(Eph. 2)

Art Wilson

Godliness With Contentment

Donnie Bates

Isn't it amazing that the Holy Scriptures are so full of encouraging words to help us through the difficult times in our lives? Wouldn't you like to just exist in the state of "godliness with contentment"? Well, you can! Godliness with contentment is not just a pipe dream or unattainable nirvana that we can only dream about. It is an attitude that each one of us can (and should) have.

If I had to guess, I would say that most of us have heard of the verse that says, "The love of money is the root of all sorts of evil" (1 Timothy 6:10). It doesn't take much imagination to understand that such an unholy desire as the love of money would bring about a lot of suffering. This verse finds itself in the context where Paul addresses a problem that seems to concern people who looked at religion (godliness) as a source of riches. Examples of that kind of thinking abound in our modern world, too. In verses one and two of 1 Timothy 6, Paul tells Timothy that even slaves can have contentment in their lives. Obviously, being a slave would be a source of dissatisfaction or discontent. Whatever the source of any dissatisfaction you may feel may be different, but this context has something to offer you and me.

After directly addressing those who think that godliness is a source of great financial gain, Paul makes an extraordinary statement in verse six: "But godliness actually is a means of great gain when accompanied by contentment." He doesn't mean that if you want more money, just be content and the money will flow in. What he means is that instead of worrying about how to get more money, try concentrating on what is really important: godliness. Be content with what you have, even your lot in life, and you will be truly blessed.

Paul applies this lesson to the love of money and the discontent associated with it, but we can apply the same lesson to any other problem area where we lack contentment. Are you in a difficult time at work, at home, at school? Are you tempted to take your eyes off Jesus and handle things your own way, or tempted just to run screaming into the night? Maybe money isn't your temptation, but you hit an impossible snag when you took your eyes off Jesus. You cannot solve your problem that way and you cannot experience the great gain that is promised here.

If you and I keep ourselves faithful and content with what God has given us, there is a promise of great reward. Always keep in mind that no matter how bad things get here (or seem), what comes next is truly great gain (Romans 8:18).

Announcements

- Team A is in charge of the card ministry this week. Cards are available in the fellowship hall.
- Live streaming of the 10AM & 11 AM Sunday morning service and Wednesday's 7 PM bible study can be watched on the St Mary's church of Christ Facebook page.
- Continue to pray for the inmates at the Woodbine jail during this time. All of their bible studies and baptisms are postponed due to Covid-19.
- Please continue to give the names of family or friends that live in the area that we can encourage through our card ministry.

What Must I Do To Be Saved?

Hear the Word Romans 10:17

Believe the Word Hebrews 11:6

Repent of Your Sins

Luke 13: 3, 5

Confess Jesus Christ as the Son of the Living God

Mathew 10:32

Be Baptized for the Remission of Your Sins

Acts 2:38

Remain Faithful unto Death

Revelation 2:10