"But if Not. . . ."

Daniel 3:1-30

Introduction

What a powerful example.

Sometimes you can outsmart the enemy, but sometimes you need direct confrontation.

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of the faithful (16-18).

a. Habakkuk 3:17-18.

b. Acts 5:27-32.

c. When you shout, "Our God reigns!" You also whisper, "And no one else does."

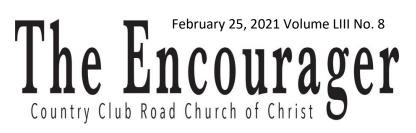
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(575) 622-1350 – www.ccrcoc.com Wayne Fenter - Jerry McCormack **Sunday Worship** (10:00 & 4:00) Life Groups (Various Locations) Wednesday Bible Study (6:30) Doug Austin & Michael Nelson Davis Bennett - Tim Dunnahoo CHURCH of CHRIST 700 W. Country Club Road Sunday Bible Study (9:00) Roswell, NM 88201 **Ministers:** Elders:

Elder Chairman of the Month: Lee Rogers - David West Jerry McCormack

OUR MISSION

To seek and save the lost through evangelism, benevolence, and edification. -Luke 19:10



Worship Order – February 28, 2021

Welcome & Family Blessing: Michael & Doug

Song Leader: Wayne Fenter

Songs: 401 – We Will Glorify

668 – I Love You, Lord

646 – Teach Me Lord to Wait

532 – Let the Redeemed

Communion Thought: Mike Joy

Song: 589 – The Battle Belongs to the Lord

Sermon: Doug Austin – "But if Not..."

Invitation Song: 922 – Bring Christ Your Broken Life

Closing Song: 595 – Sing to Me of Heaven

Closing Prayer: Oscar Hernandez

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of the faithful (19-30). III.

Conclusion It's all about choices!

Prayer Requests

Continue in Prayer

 Dennis Seik's bladder surgery has been postponed to a later date.

- Leah Williams began chemotherapy in Lubbock on Monday. She is recuperating.
- Terry Walker, son to Wanda, will undergo surgery for cancer soon. That will be followed by chemotherapy.

Rosemary O'Neal, Anita Zuniga, Clara O'Neil, Wanda Walker, Jean Brooks, Tim Miller, Mary Lou Hall, Ray & Joanne Magness, Sam & Pat Gentry, Cheryl Ringheimer, Helen Aston, Elaine Bell, Glen & Carolyn Browning, Jim West, Geneva Fender, Kathleen Sherman, Marli Turtera, Alicia Bennett

From the Mailbag...

To the Elders and the Church,

We do appreciate all of the cards and prayers. They are very thoughtful! We miss the fellowship in the "in-person" worship but at our age it seems best to worship over Facebook with you. We are thankful for that avenue. God is still in control and that is comfort. In Christian love, Chris & Glenna

Dear Country Club Road Church of Christ,

We truly appreciate the outpouring of love, support & encouragement through this most difficult journey in our lives. The generous gifts given in Tom's memory will bless the hearts & lives of many others in the days to come. Again, thank you for loving & praying us through COVID and Tom's death.

> Lovingly in Him, Brenda Aston, Kara Powell, Katie Lange, Kendra Janway & families

Dear Church Family,

On behalf of the whole Bennett/Vinson family, I want to express my sincere gratitude for all of your prayers, texts, calls, cards, words of encouragement and food brought to our home during my mom and my cancer journeys. It never ceases to amaze me how powerful and loving God and His church are, especially when undergoing adversity. I continue to covet your prayers as I daily deal with this journey. Further tests will be done at the end of July. To God be the glory, great things He has done! In Christian love, Alicia Bennett Life@CCR

- Congratulations to Rachael Holmes who was re-baptized on Monday. We are proud of you, Rachael!
- Ladies Bible Class is slated to resume next Wednesday, March 3rd at 10 a.m. Be sure and bring your book for our study entitled, "Conquering Your Giants." If you have not yet received a book, we will have extras to pass out on that day.
- Mark your calendars for the return of bible classes on Sunday, April 4th. We are excited about starting back and have some interesting classes in the works. Please note that we will host classes for nursery age & up.
- Please make plans to join us on Saturday, March 27th for a church workday. We have numerous projects on the docket to include electrical, tree trimming, sorting & organizing. Let's roll up our sleeves and get it done together!
- We have begun to receive requests for backpacks and school supplies now that kids have started back to school. The church has purchased 24 backpacks with some basic school supplies included. If you would like to contribute funds to help offset the cost of these supplies, please see any staff member or Elder.
- From the Eldership: "The Elders did consider and approve small group activities to commence at home following the current NMDOH guidelines for in-person and virtual meetings. As well, the Elders approve of the convening of small groups to use the church building following NMDOH guidelines for space capacity and in all cases, following COVID safe practices. The Elders look forward to these first steps in re-engaging an important spiritual practice."

Those Scheduled to Serve

Deacons on Duty: Dan Montgomery, Larry WilliamsMen on Duty: Kennon Swinney, Brian DoyleGreeters: George & Pat Escalante, Wayne & Judy Fenter,Bill & Gale Wright

Week @ a Glance Celebrations & Happenings

- **28**th A.M. worship @ 10 a.m., also available on 106.5 FM or Facebook Live.
- **1**st Wayne Fenter's b-day.
- **3rd** Ladies Bible Class @ 10 a.m. Wednesday evening worship @ 6:30 p.m. on Facebook Live.
- 4th Alyana Lopez's b-day.
- 6th Alan Warboys & Joe Bergman's b-day.

Pantry Items Needed: Spaghetti sauce, Peanut butter, Jelly, Canned milk, Crackers

Life Group Questions

Text: Daniel 3

- 1. What do you admire most about the three men in this story?
- 2. What did Nebuchadnezzar's response to the miracle indicate?
- 3. What is the most "fiery" test you can remember experiencing? How did you fare? What did you learn about yourself and God?
- 4. In what area of your life do you feel the greatest pressure to compromise your convictions?
- 5. In what area of your life do you feel that God may be calling you to take a stand? What about our Church's life?
- 6. A line from the sermon went something like this, "When you shout, 'Our God reigns,' you also whisper, 'No one else does.'" Do you agree? Why or why not?
- 7. How do we handle those moments when God does not deliver? How do we remain faithful when God does not rescue?

For the Record

Sunday A.M. Worship	
Weekly Contribution	