

## The Rougher Edges of Love

### “Love & Truth” — II John

- I. Truth & love bring \_\_\_\_\_ (1-2; Eph. 4:3-6; 13-15).
- II. Truth & love bring \_\_\_\_\_ blessings (3).
- III. Truth & love are \_\_\_\_\_ (4-6).
- A. Love without truth is \_\_\_\_\_ (Lk. 9:33; Matt. 16:21-23; Rom. 10:1-2; Jn. 8:32).
- B. Truth without love is \_\_\_\_\_ (4-6; Lk. 9:51 - 54)
- C. Truth with love is \_\_\_\_\_ way (Eph 4:15; I Pet. 3:15; Col. 4:4-6; Jn. 1:14-17; John 14 & 15).
- IV. Truth & love must be \_\_\_\_\_ (7-11).
- A. Don't be \_\_\_\_\_ (7-9; Mark 13:22-23; I John 4:1-3; 2:18, 22, 23; 5:11-12).
- B. Don't contribute to \_\_\_\_\_ (10-11; Rom. 16:17).

I will \_\_\_\_\_ truth and love.

## Welcome to Bethlehem Church of Christ

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*“Grace, mercy and peace from God the Father and from Jesus Christ, the Father’s Son, will be with us in truth and love. It has given me great joy to find some of your children walking in the truth, just as the Father commanded us. And now, dear lady, I am not writing you a new command but one we have had from the beginning. I ask that we love one another. And this is love: that we walk in obedience to his commands. As you have heard from the beginning, his command is that you walk in love.”*

— II John 3-6

August 6, 2017

## Order of Worship

Opening thoughts

**(Please pass the blue books located at the end of each pew.)**

*Open Up The Heavens*

Encouragement time

*Love Come Down*

*Jesus*

*Near the Cross*

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All disciples of Jesus are invited to partake as the emblems are passed.

Offering to God - Guests are welcome to participate, or may simply place the visitor card in the plate.

Prayer for August marriages

Message Tom Claibourne

*We Believe*

Decisions

Reminders & prayer

## Bethlehem News

### “Summer Connection Challenge”

#### **This evening and the next four Sunday evenings**

We encourage you to use these 5 evenings to initiate gatherings with others (a hike, a cookout, an outdoor game night, a service project, an ice cream or watermelon gathering, etc.).

Maybe partner with another family and invite 1 or 2 other families. Get together with people you want to know better. Be creative. Share the cost. Consider a neutral location (park, church camp, etc.).

The “Summer Connection Challenge” is about relationships. It’s about getting as many people as possible interacting and sharing life. It’s about Biblical hospitality and new friendships.

#### This Week

- Wed. - 1. Seniors lunch, noon  
2. Faithgirlz meeting & swimming party, 1:00 - 5:00 (Cornettes’)  
3. Elders meeting, 7:00 pm  
4. Shepherding meeting, 8:00 pm  
Thurs. - Sat. - Jr. Deputy Boot Camp, Adams Co. Fairgrounds. If you are able to help see Tom.

#### Back to School Outreach

Thanks to your generosity, we were able to donate 152 composition notebooks for school kids yesterday in Seaman, as well as some candy, and bags from the Cantrell family.

**Sermon Series**  
“The Rougher Edges of Love”  
Today’s message: “Love and Truth”

#### Cooking Utensils

If you donated food for VBS workers or the funeral meal, please check the newer kitchen for containers, crockpots, etc.

#### Parade Ministry

August 27

We want to be an encouragement and blessing again this year to those in the Winchester parade line-up. Please help us by bringing in bottled water and cracker packs the next 2 Sundays.

#### Super Summer Challenge

We encourage our young people to finish strong on this valuable program that ends next Sunday.

#### Red Cross Volunteers Needed

Would you like to be part of a Disaster Action team or a Smoke Alarm team to help people locally? The American Red Cross is looking for volunteers.

A poster is on the BCC Family Board near the nursery door with more information, and you can tear off a contact number.

#### BCC Answering Machine

The machine in our office is no longer functioning. We are having trouble finding a replacement. Thank you for your patience during this process.

#### Please Note

On the August BCC calendar it says the Summer Connection Challenge is weekly at 7 PM. Actually, the times will vary according to each separate gathering & location.

## Join Us in Praying

- ✚ Praise God that He is absolute truth & love.
- ✚ Thank God for Jesus’ example of grace and truth.
- ✚ Pray for our sermon series and for power to love when it’s not as easy.
- ✚ Pray for our VBS follow-up.
- ✚ August Mission: Colombia (Dale Meade)
- ✚ Richard Alan Graham - may leave Children’s Hospital soon with feeding tube and special care at home.
- ✚ Mary Downs - bronchitis mostly gone; had some balance and nausea issues last week.
- ✚ Drew Reid - port has been removed since he is done with treatments! Will have monthly MRI’s for a while.
- ✚ Emily Wells - sinus surgery went well; off work another week; will have packing removed this week..
- ✚ Faye Parker - got home last Sunday.
- ✚ Amanda Brannock - had stroke-like symptoms, but apparently has complications related to migraines; friend of Tami Davis.
- ✚ Jerry Olinger - now under Hospice care at UC Hospital; April Logan’s step-father.
- ✚ Churck Madinger & family - tragic house fire took the life of his wife, Barcy, in Lexington, KY. Chuck preached at Bethlehem in the 1970’s.
- ✚ Continued prayer list is on the prayer board.
- ✚ Other:

**Cleaning Teams:** Basford Family/Mike Huston & David Tatman/Judy Askren & Sharon Grooms

**Mowing this week:** David Brown  
**Next:** Pat Berry

**Nursery** (13) Coordinator: Melissa Brown  
9:30 - Connie Scott  
10:30 - Lauren Holton/Kayla Berry