Pastor's Weekly Devotional- November 14, 2019

"The Goodness of God"

As human beings it is easy to focus on ourselves – on what we <u>don't</u> have, rather than what we <u>do</u> have. We need to be reminded ever so often that God is <u>not</u> holding out on us. If we do not reflect on the goodness of God, we would fall into the trap of insecurity, complaining and whispering. The darkness will seem bigger than the light.

Here are some life-altering truths about God's gifts to us:

• God is always pursuing you.

• God will always accept you as you are no matter what you do or don't do but He does hate our sins.

- God is always aware of your pain and He cares about you.
- God always has your best interests in mind.

This is just a few thoughts about God's thoughts about you. However, God's love needs to be reciprocated. As you surrender your <u>will</u> into the hands of your heavenly Father, be assured that Father God knows best. Allow God to write your "love life" story as He puts the tapestry of your life together like a good Artisan.

The question is: What is that one thing in our lives that could result in the demise of our spiritual lives (like Judas Iscariot)? A poet perhaps sums it better that I am able to do:

It may not be for silver, it may not be for gold But yet by tens of thousands the Prince of life is sold Sold for a godless friendship, sold for a selfish aim Sold for a fleeting trifle, sold for an empty name... Ponder my soul the question, shall He be sold by me?...

Don't allow the germ of a seed (like anger, discontentment, pessimism, etc.) to cause your life to be a sad commentary. Surrender everything to Jesus – even the "thorns in your side" and the "Sand on your Feet."

Kindly remember <u>this</u> Sunday is a Celebratory Service. We will be receiving your pledges for 2020 as well as have a potluck dinner.

Have a blessed week! See you in church Sunday! Pastor Sewdin