

“Important Reminders”
2 Timothy 1:3-14

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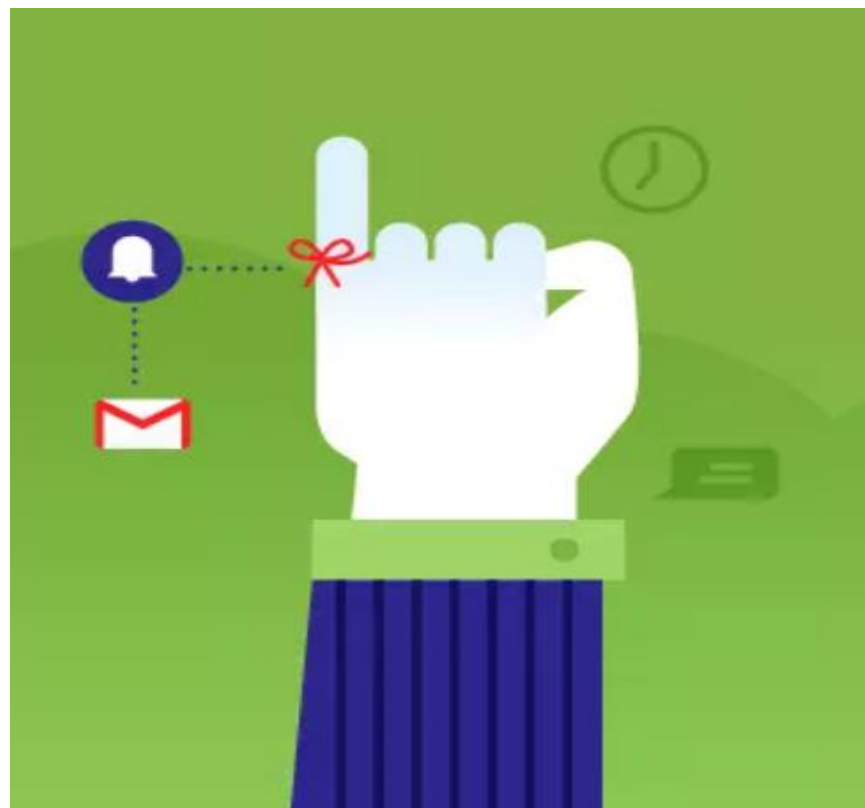
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Next Sunday: “Christ’s Glorious Return”
Revelation 19:11-16

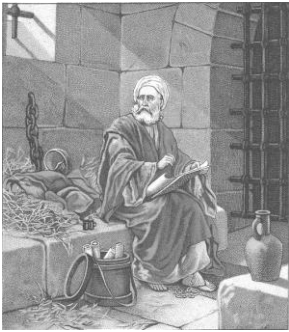


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Thoughts from Keith

We've all heard of Alexander the Great, but do you know who his father was? It was no other than King Philip, the founder of Philippi, a Roman colony in Greece. We know about Philippi mostly because of the church that Paul, Silas, and Timothy established there. Acts 16:11-40 contains the account of them visiting this city, converting and baptizing Lydia and her family to become Jesus followers. Another interesting event that followed was when Paul commanded an evil spirit to come out of a slave girl. This sounds like a very good deed, but her master took exception, hauled them before the local magistrate who sent them to prison where their feet were fastened in stocks. During their first night in prison, an earthquake shook the prison, all the doors were opened, and their chains were unfastened. The prison guard almost committed suicide, but instead asked Paul what he had to do to be saved. Paul simply said, "*Believe in the Lord Jesus, and you shall be saved...*". That very night the jailer brought them to his house and his entire household was baptized. When the magistrate realized they were Roman citizens and what turmoil had taken place, he personally apologized, and begged them to leave the city. And they did...but only after visiting Lydia and the brethren and encouraging them. We know that Paul and Timothy had an ongoing relationship with the church in Philippi, because Paul's letter written to this church while he was in a Roman prison is included in the Canon of Scriptures. This letter is where you'll find familiar passages saying profound things like, "*to live is Christ, and to die is gain*"; "*Make my joy complete by being of the same mind, maintaining the same love, united in spirit, intent on one purpose*"; "*each of you regard one another as more important than himself*"; "*rejoice in the Lord always; again I will say, rejoice*"; "*our citizenship is in Heaven*"; "*I have learned to be content in whatever circumstances I am*"; and "*I can do all things through Him who strengthens me*". The letter ends with Paul thanking the church in Philippi for a gift they sent to him while imprisoned writing, "And my God shall supply all your needs according to His riches in glory in Christ Jesus." The principle is that churches that generously support missionaries will have their own needs supplied. In case you aren't aware, a full tithe (ten percent of all offerings) at ALC go to missions. Check out the missions Bulletin Board near the back counter for more info.



(See Acts 9:1-19)

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I WAS RECENTLY CONVERTED INTO PAUL
AND MY SAUL I.D. IS NO LONGER VALID
... IS THERE A FORM FOR THAT?

Monday Evening Ladies' Prayer/Bible Study

The Monday evening Ladies' group began our fall session last week. Tomorrow evening at 7:00 here at A.L.C., we will begin studying the Book of Revelation using a study guide by Margaret Feinberg, titled, "Revelation – Extravagant Hope." There is time for sharing and prayer after each study session. Please contact either Teresa Cawthon, Avonne Kettler, or Susie Paulson for more information.

Ladies' Tuesday Morning Bible Study

The Ladies' Tuesday Morning Bible Study will be starting a study of the Book of John using a study guide by Max Lucado. We meet here at the church at 9:00 a.m. each Tuesday. If you are interested in joining this study group please talk with Vicky Brinkley or Pam Coleman for more information.

Church Prayer Night

Please join us **tonight**, for an evening of prayer from 7:00 to 8:00. Whether you pray out loud or silently is not important—we just hope to see you here! "*And pray in the Spirit on all occasions with all kinds of prayers and requests. With this in mind, be alert and always keep on praying for all the Lord's people.*" Ephesians 6:18.

Ladies' Fall Retreat

All ladies are invited to attend the Ladies Fall Retreat on **Saturday, October 2nd** at Jim and Pam Coleman's home. More information coming soon. Please visit with Pam Coleman or Vicky Brinkley if you are interested in attending.

Potluck Next Sunday!!!