

*Wyoming Baptist Church
February – April 2021*

**Daily Devotional
for Sermon Series**



a study of the “one anothers” of Scripture

Week 2 : February 22-28

The following series of daily readings, questions, and prayers has been designed by Pastor Tom Cullen to lead up to the sermon for the coming week. There are five daily studies for each week. Allow about 15 minutes a day to complete each daily devotional. This is not to take the place of any devotional you may now be doing but only is a supplement.

The weekly sermons can be heard at wyomingbaptist.com

Each week's daily devotional guide is also available online at wyomingbaptist.com

February and March Sermon Schedule
Members of one another

February 21 – Members of one another Part 1
(1 Corinthians 12:12-27)

February 28 – Members of one another Part 2
(Romans 12:1-16)

March 7 – Love one another Part 1. (1 John 4:7-21)

March 14 – Love one another Part 2 (1 John 4:7-21)

March 21 – Forgive one another (Proverbs 25:21-22)

March 28 – Serve one another (John 13:1-17)

April 4 – Easter Sunday - What difference does the resurrection make? (1 Corinthians 15:12-22)

April 11 – Pray for one another (James 5:16)

April 18 – Be united with one another (Ephesians 4:1-16)

April 25 – Encourage one another (Hebrews 10:19-25)

Wyoming Baptist Church Winter 2021

Sermon Series Devotional Guide

Members of one another

a study of the "one anothers"

Welcome to week 2 of our series focusing on the "one another" statements made in Scripture. We continue to contemplate the great truth that we are the "body of Christ, and each one of you is a part of it." (1 Corinthians 12:27)

This is an important concept for us to grasp, (so we will be looking at it for another week), because we often fall into the trap of thinking that the church is a building.

Do you remember the little poem your mom would tell you before you went to bed – she would put her fingers together forming a triangle and say, 'Here is the church, here is the steeple, open the doors and here are all the people.'

Well that poem is theologically incorrect – the church is not a building with a steeple on top – it is a group of people.

No where in the New Testament does anyone say, "let's go to church". They were the church. We are his feet, hands and mouth. And we are all connected like a body, like a family and we need each one. There is no one in the body that is superior to the other. All are needed.

As you begin your study this week pray that we would all have a Biblical understanding of the church and that the Holy Spirit would minister to us all.

Read

- ❖ Romans 12:3-8
- ❖ In Romans 12:1-2 Paul lays down a general principle for life. We are to offer our bodies (our whole self) to God because of what he has done for us in Christ (see Romans 1-11). We are to allow this truth to transform our thinking. The first area to be transformed, is how we view our place in the Body of Christ.

Study

1. Why, according to these verses, should we not consider ourselves more highly than we ought?

2. Verse 6 speaks of Spiritual gifts. Every believer has been given a gift from God upon becoming a believer. The list of spiritual gifts is not exhaustive, but has been given to us to learn how we should use the gifts. What do we learn about the use of the gifts?

3. How does this passage affect your attitude toward the spiritual gift(s) God has given you?

Reflect

What did you learn from your study of this passage?

Is there a verse that especially spoke to you? What is God saying to you today?

Pray

Thank God for his generosity. He has not kept the building up of the church to himself, but has enabled us to participate in the life of the church through the expression of our gifts.

For our church:

- ❖ Think of those who have expressed their spiritual gifts in our church. Give thanks to God for how you have benefited from their service.
- ❖ Pray that God would enable you not to think of yourself more highly than you “ought but rather with sober judgement.” Ask God, is there an attitude that he needs to correct in you? Is there an attitude he needs to affirm in you?
- ❖ Ask God, is there a way that he is calling you to express the gift(s) that he has given you? Pray that he would open the door of opportunity for you to serve.

Read

❖ Ephesians 4:1-6

Study

1. This chapter begins with the word “then” or “therefore”. By using this word Paul is referring us back to what has gone on before. What is the calling that we have received? (See 1:4-6, 11,12; 2:10, 13, 19-22; 3:10)

2. In verse 2 Paul describes the Christian character in four ways. Write a definition for each of these four traits.

3. Explain how these four qualities are important for unity in the church.

4. Why do you think it's important to keep the unity of the Spirit in the church?

Pray

❖ Thank God for the calling you have received. It is by his grace that you have been given this gift.

For our church:

- ❖ Pray for our discipleship team. Give thanks for Deacon Jenn and her leadership in this important area of our church. Pray that God will guide them in their decisions and their ministry.
- ❖ Ask God to show you practical ways you can offer support to the discipleship team.

Wednesday February 24

Reading

- ❖ Ephesians 4:7-13

Study

1. Who is the source of individual spiritual gifts? How does that affect your attitude toward the gift that you have received?

2. Verses 8-10 describe Jesus Christ as a conquering hero who leads a triumphal procession that fills the whole universe, from the highest heaven to the lowest earth. He then distributes gifts (the spoils of victory) to his loyal followers. What does Paul say is the nature and purpose of the gifts? (verses 11-13)

3. How do you see this passage being lived out in Wyoming Baptist?

Pray

For our church:

- ❖ Pray for our pastoral search team. James 1:5 says, “If any of you lacks wisdom, you should ask God, who gives generously to all without finding fault, and it will be given to you.” Pray that this promise will be realized in our search team as they meet together.

Thursday February 25

Reading

- ❖ Ephesians 4:14-16

Study

1. How is spiritual infancy different from spiritual maturity?

2. How can you speak the truth in love? Give an example.

3. What steps do you need to take to make verse 16 a reality at Wyoming Baptist?

4. Why do you need other members of the body of Christ? (11-13,15,16)

Pray

For our church:

- ❖ Pray for our study together. Ask God to work in us so that we may truly be united, making every effort to keep the unity of the Spirit through the bond of peace.

Pray for those in our congregation who are farming. Give thanks to God for the service they provide to our food chain. Ask God to protect them and to bless the work of their hands.

Friday February 26

Read

- ❖ Colossians 4:3-4

Study

1. Paul is requesting prayer for his ministry in this text. Paraphrase his request.

2. Use these verses to formulate a prayer for another Christian. Record the person's name below.

3. What is one thing you can do this week to encourage those who are helping you walk with Christ?

Pray

- ❖ Thank God for his Word and the opportunity to study it. Pray that our hearts would be transformed and we would all grow up into the maturity that he describes.

For our church:

- ❖ Pray that the message of the gospel would go out from us with the power of the Holy Spirit. Pray that our community would be transformed because of our witness together.
- ❖ Pray for the elderly in our church. Ask God to affirm them and remind them of their value and place in our church and in the kingdom of God.

Additional Notes
