

# Neshaminy Valley Baptist

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February 25<sup>th</sup>, 2024 - 10:00 a.m.

## *God's Love – Agape, very Different!*

**Feb 25, Sun** “Shout for joy to God, all the earth; sing the glory of his name”  
Psalm 66:13 “I will come into your house ... I will perform my vows to you”

**Feb 26, Mon** **Birthday: Joash Browne**  
I Cor. 15: 1-11 *The resurrection of Jesus was witnessed and verified by other. The resurrection is vital for our faith and our hope.*

**Feb 27, Tues** **Are you prepared for death? It is not easy ... there will be sadness, grief, loneliness, regrets, hopes, desires. This life, your family on one side ... the Lord, the resurrection, etc. on the other – both are realities! Prepare ...**  
I Cor. 15: 12-19 *Paul is confronting the doubt of the resurrection of believers – and makes the point that Jesus’ resurrection is tied to our salvation, forgiveness of sins, and those who die in Christ*

**Feb 28, Wed** **Birthday: Ouida Smith**  
I Cor. 15: 20-28 *Because death came into our history through one ‘man’, so also the perfect man, i.e. Jesus, is the one through who resurrection comes. “All things” are now subject to Jesus, including death.*

**Feb 29, Thur** **For your preparation – do you have a Will? Funeral expenses arranged for? Cleaned up all your clutter and stuff?**  
I Cor. 15: 29-34 *There seems to have been a practice of doing baptisms for the dead – Paul takes that wrong practice and asks ‘if there is no resurrection of the dead, what’s the purpose of doing that?’. And if there is no resurrection, why would it matter how we live*

**Mar 1, Fri** **How well are you prepared, educated, anticipating the other life – after death and with the Lord! Any feelings?**  
I Cor. 15: 35-41 *Drawing from nature, the argument that a seed first dies off its nature and then sprouts; similarly, in this death of the physical body, it is raised with a “heavenly” body that is glorious*

**Mar 2, Sat** **Birthday: Sharon Edwards**  
I Cor. 15: 42-49 *Notice all the contrasts between the mortal body of ours and the resurrected body (to be), climaxing in the statement that we were born with the ‘image of God’ and we will be resurrected with “image of the man of heaven”, i.e. Jesus*

**Mar 3, Sun**  
Psalm 67

I Cor. 13

The Real Christian

Intro: This is more than just a wedding Scripture passage!

Revisit the letter ... the church in Corinth ...

1. There are 2 broad themes:
  - a) Spiritual gifts and powerful ministry do not prove a person’s \_\_\_\_\_; they speak more about God’s \_\_\_\_\_ and how God \_\_\_\_\_  
(Numbers 22-24, King Saul, Isa. 45: 4-5, Matt 7: 21-23)
  - b) True rebirth and regeneration are revealed in the \_\_\_\_\_ work of God in one’s \_\_\_\_\_ – in this case, the evidence is whether \_\_\_\_\_ is at what pours out of our lives (Rom 5: 5)

**Remember:** Gifts and ministry are what we do

**Remember:** The condition of our \_\_\_\_\_ is who we \_\_\_\_\_

2. This is confrontational and a rebuke!
  - a) In vs 1-3, the context is chp 12 where spiritual gifts, specifically “\_\_\_\_\_” and “\_\_\_\_\_” were elevated.
  - b) In vs 4, the context is 4: 18-19: they were \_\_\_\_\_ (cf. 8:1-2)
  - c) In vs 5, the context is 10: 24: they were \_\_\_\_\_
  - d) In vs 6-7, the context is chp 3: there is \_\_\_\_\_ and \_\_\_\_\_

**Rebuke:** There’s no evidence of \_\_\_\_\_! (vs 1b, 3b)

3. God’s love is different! (vs 4)
  - a) “Patience” – capacity to be wronged and not \_\_\_\_\_
  - b) “Kind” – the \_\_\_\_\_ of the \_\_\_\_\_ that prevents arrogance, rudeness, wanting ‘my way’, irritability, resentment, etc (Gal. 5: 22f)

**Conclusion:** God’s agape love ... is the only evidence!



If you are visiting with us for the first time, we want to warmly welcome you! Please fill out the visitor's card and put it in the offering plate. Thank you!

**JESUS FOOD PANTRY** – when you go grocery shopping, don't forget this ministry. Please bring your gifts and leave it on table in the Foyer!  
*'The one who is generous to the poor, lends to God'* (Prov. 19: 17)

**Men of NVBC** – if you are interested, curious, or if you 'feel God calling' you to get involved in Germantown, and/if you have questions, see Pastor Joe. One "mission" field is within driving distance!

## What's Happening

Sunday	9:00 am	Sunday School & ABF's
	10:00 am	WORSHIP
Monday	7:00 pm	Young Adult Fellowship (Gross' home)
Tuesday	10:00 am	Women's Bible Study (Goetz's home)
	7:00 pm	Small Group (Corbetts, Kueblers)
Wednesday	7:00 pm	AA – Women's Meeting
		Prayer Meeting – Zoom
Friday	6:45 pm	AWANA

### Dates To Remember

Mar 23	11:30 - 2 pm	Senior Citizen Luncheon Banquet
April 20	Whole Day	Ladies Retreat – Reading, PA
		"Live with Priscilla Shirer"; dep. 6:30 a.m.; \$50 deposit
May 11	11 am - 2 pm	Carnival for Families Affected by Disabilities

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