# REDEMPTION CHURCH OF CHRIST OF THE APOSTOLIC FAITH



And we know that all things work together for good to them that love God, to them who are the called according to his purpose. (Romans 8:28).

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Thank you for visiting us today at Redemption Church of Christ! We pray you will enjoy the service. We know that there are no mistakes with God.

Ask Him for guidance in your life, and allow Him to speak to you this morning through the Word of God.

If you have any questions, feel free to ask! Elder and Sis. Massey

#### ORDER OF SERVICE

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Our services are broadcasted on radio stations with the call letters below:

WJIV 101.9FM (Cherry Valley, NY) Sundays at 9:30 a.m. and 4:00 p.m.

WHAZ 1330AM & 97.5FM; WMYY 97.3FM; WBAR 94.7FM; WMNV 104.1FM Saturdays at 12:00 p.m. and Sundays at 2:30 p.m.

## **Uncluttering and Reorganizing our Minds**

by Elder John Massey, Jr.

We are the total sum of our thinking. Everything we experience is in storage and must be organized. An unorganized mind can become a way of life. We must encode information and put it in a certain system. The emotion of fear must be controlled, or it will control us. Fear hath torment but "perfect love casteth out fear" (I John 4:18).



Faith and fear are choices. With faith you can climb mountains; with fear you create mountains. A fear is something we anticipate but might never happen. It inhibits us and makes us think we

cannot do something.

Our minds are like a fertile field; we reap what we sow. Rehashing negative events prevents us from overcoming. If we put negativity in our mind, we reinforce and store it. Our minds become cluttered.



Joseph could have been bitter and resentful about his circumstness, but he was not. God rescued him, and God will likewise rescue us. Joseph organized his hurt, pain, difficulties, emotions and named his first son Manasseh, "For God, said he, hath made me forget all my toil, and all my father's house" (Genesis 41:51).

We must organize our minds by thinking of God's goodness and counting our blessings. In spite of the devastation to come, the prophet said, "Although the fig tree shall not blossom, neither shall fruit be in the vines...Yet I will rejoice in the Lord, I will joy in the God of my salvation" (Habakkuk 3:17-18). How we feel is determined by how we think.

Joseph named his second son Ephraim, "For God hath caused me to be fruitful in the land of my affliction" (Genesis 41:52). God can take crooked things and make them straight. Most importantly, He will give us grace. God will keep us in our situation, but He can change the circumstances. "Yea, though I walk through the valley of the shadow of death (situation), I will fear no evil: for thou art with me; thy rod and thy staff they comfort me (circumstance)" (Psalm 23:4).

God has a universal law that "whatsoever a man soweth, that shall he also reap" (Galatians 6:7). Whatever seed we sow and put in our mind, we will reap. We must not let the sun go down on our wrath, or it will become a root of bitterness.

We must exemplify we want Him to count us as being worthy through our effort. The apostles were beaten and left "rejoicing that they were counted worthy to suffer shame for his name" (Acts 5:41). As His bride, we must prepare. Revelation 19:7 says, "his wife hath made herself ready". When we make ourselves ready, there is no fear.

When we plant, the seed must grow before we get a harvest. Then we must work to get the harvest. "And let us not be weary in well doing: for in due season we shall reap, if we faint not" (Galatians 6:9). Do not give up; let the end result becomes a reality.

Whatever is important, we encode in our minds. We must think not only short term, but long term. Consider annual planning.

Store this verse and encode it to organize your minds: "And the peace of God, which passeth all understanding, shall keep your hearts and minds through Christ Jesus. Finally, brethren, whatsoever things are true, whatsoever things are honest, whatsoever things are just, whatsoever things are pure, whatsoever things are lovely, whatsoever things are of good report; if there be any virtue, and if there be any praise, think on these things. Those things, which ye have both learned, and received, and heard, and seen in me, do: and the God of peace shall be with you" (Philippians 4:7-9).

## Schedule of Services

Sunday School 10:30 a.m.
Sunday Worship 12:30 p.m.
Monday Women of Faith/Men of Honor 6:30 p.m.
Wednesday Bible Class 7:00 p.m.
Friday End Time Prophecy Conference 7:00 p.m.
For information or transportation, call 518-272-6679.

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