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my critical thinking.

We can read Scripture and see that same process of transition with different disciples. Their time spent with Jesus and peer disciples results in significant change in thought and behavior. The Peter of the gospels is not thinking the same way as the Peter of 1 and 2 Peter. I think you see the same thing with Saul (Paul) because of his association with Barnabas and others with whom he traveled.

As the persecution of Rome intensified, the disciples grew closer together, protecting each other, sacrificing to spread the message of Jesus despite the cost.

It is likely the reason that the Bible warns about unequal yokes and evil companions. We don't think in a vacuum, the thoughts and reactions of those we allow closest to us slowly bring about change.

Our Christian community, the fellowship of the saints, is important for this very reason. Our common vision of the temporal/eternal equation impacts our approach to life.

Remember, who you let play over at your house makes a big difference in how you do life.

Grace and Peace,

Carl

Where belonging to God means belonging to each other

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The Day Is At Hand

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Do you remember childhood friendships? Speedy Krewer was one of my very best friends. He and I did all kinds of things together. We liked strategic board games, so we played hours of a game called "Risk." We played Canasta for hours. Rode hundreds of miles on bicycles. Won thousands of basketball games with our last second jump shots, one point behind and the final second....

Speedy and I liked the same things. At that point in life we thought the same way, most of our opinions would have been a carbon copy of each other. Today? Well to be honest, I don't know where Speedy is, and in all likelihood we probably don't think the same way anymore.

My change of thought came because I was influenced by other people. A couple of Godly women, a few patient men of faith, and a few thousand books, the Bible being dominant among them.

Our horizons expand as our thoughts expand. At one time I thought it was because I was thinking for myself, but I suspect my relationships have as much or more to do with it as

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SUNDAY:	Leisure Homestead Service—9:30 am Bible Study for all ages—10:00 am Worship Service—10:45 am
	Varies by Time of Year (refer to Bulletin News)
ELDERS:	Richard Brensing, Teddy Gingrich, Terry Sallee, George Shelton, Tom Turner
DEACONS: TREASURER:	Jerry Kinnamon, Chris Mansel, Orrin Feril Richard Brensing

WORSHIP ORDER FOR OCTOBER 28, 2018

SONG LEADER: Jerry Kinnamon GATHERING SONG: No. 103-He Has Made Me Glad WELCOME: Tom Turner SCRIPTURE READING: Ephesians 5:15-20 (Zach Marks) SONGS: No. 474—Thank You. Lord No. 587—Sing and Be Happy No. 65—Thanksgiving Medley -No. 66—Doxology -No. 67—For the Beauty of the Earth -No. 68—Give Thanks No. 800—What a Friend We Have in Jesus PRAYER: Teddy Gingrich SONG: No. 287—There is a Redeemer COMMUNION: Richard Brensing Chris Mansel Joe Cornwell Orrin Feril MEMORY WORK: Carl Feril (Romans 13:11-12) SONG: No. 678—More About Jesus LESSON: Carl Feril (Children's Bible Hour) SONG: No. 940—Only a Step (vs 1) PRAYER: Terry Sallee

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WELCOME VISITORS

We are pleased you have joined us in worship; please come again!

HAPPY ANNIVERSARY!

Doug & Barbara Austin—October 29

WEDNESDAY NIGHT CLASS

Young Parents—beginning <u>November 7th</u>, please make plans to come to the parenting class on Wednesday evenings at <u>7:00 pm</u> at Carl & Janet's home. Childcare & a Children's Bible Class will be offered here at the church building. Parents can drop their kids off at church at 7:00 pm and pick them up at 7:45 pm. See Carl or Tom for more details. Help is needed each week with the childcare/Bible Class—see Tom if you are available.

SPECIAL CONTRIBUTION NEXT WEEK

You are asked to join efforts with other Kansas churches next Sunday, November 4, in contributing something extra for Roger Dickson's mission work in Africa, sponsored by the Eastwood Church of Christ in Hutchinson. Mark your check with "Donation for Roger Dickson". Learn more at: www.africainternational.org



Prayerfully consider how much you can give on November 4th to help spread God's Word throughout the world!

PRAYER REQUESTS

Destiny Huffman—to be induced on Wednesday Jesse Mayer—recent back injury; may need surgery **Peggy Bauer**—diagnosed with cancer; asks for pravers Stan & Orvalee Aldrich—health concerns Karla Tillery (Gayle Byer's friend) - health concerns Rick Toland (Marla's cousin in Topeka) - cancer Vince, Teddy's brother-in-law—heart problems Gayle Sears (Marla's friend) breast cancer; chemo **Kim Staub**—Parkinson's Diane Campbell—MS Jim Walton (Stafford) - throat cancer Katherine Suiter-cancer Crystal Easley (Terry & Linda Welch's daughter) - cancer David Ivy (Marilyn's brother) - Emphysema Jenny Walker (Carol's sister) **Roger Dick**—ongoing cancer treatments Theo Birkett (Tara's mother) **Jim Soukup** (Gingrich's son-in-law [Shari's husband]) June Cornwell—Kenwood Plaza Glennys Sallabedra (Tom's mother) - in Leisure Homestead in Stafford

SYMPATHY

<u>Velda Osborne</u>, passed away Oct 24th. Memorial service: 10:00 am, Mon, Oct 29th, at St John the Apostle Catholic Church.

Jan Zimmerman, passed away Saturday morning, graveside service with family later.

DAYLIGHT SAVING TIME ends next weekend — remember to "fall back' and set your clocks one hour earlier!

WOMEN WALKING WITH GOD CONFERENCE

<u>Friday, April 13 (5p-9p); Saturday April 14 (8a-4p)</u> *Early Bird* registration thru **Oct 31 = \$58** Preregistration Nov 1—Jan 31 = \$63 Registration Feb 1—Apr 13 = \$68