## The Glory Land Way! Pt. 5

### PERFECT.

At death, the child of God will enter a new, yet temporary, existence. In this existence we have seen that we will be a *conscious* being, we will be *bodiless* for a time and, we will see that we will be *perfect* in spirit!

Living in this world with all the corruption and crime and evil, we struggle with sin. But we as Christians are being *renewed day by day* since our day of immersion into Christ. (See: **2 Corinthians 4:16-18.)** But to be clear, we still struggle with sin here. We are by no means perfect now.

At death we will be separated from these earthly tents (bodies). We are being made perfect on the other side in spirit. Our *spirits* are made perfect on the other side. **Hebrews 12:23**, "...to the spirits of the righteous made perfect."

<u>Note</u>: We will **never** be of the same divine nature as God. Never will we be even part divine. This misunderstanding comes when some talk about receiving the Holy Spirit at baptism. The Holy Spirit becoming our *helper* in Christian living does not change us to become like God. We are **not** God.

After we leave this world, we will no longer have to worry about committing sins. We will no longer use our free will to commit sin. We will at death no longer *struggle* to please our Lord! Our spirit will live in harmony with God! We will be holy! (1 Peter 1:16.)

Won't it be fantastic to **not** disappoint our God anymore? Who doesn't want to die and go to heaven as a Christian?

--In Him, Gary.

## **Medical & Prayer Needs**

#### America

**Carolyn Abbey** – Breathing issues. Cousin of Margaret.

**Gwen Botson** – Cancer. Per Laura. Serious condition.

**Kathy Carter** – Cancer procedures Dec. 8<sup>th</sup>.

**Linda Caldwell** – Surgery 12/11. **Mary Jo Clark** – Fell. Friend of Kuhn's.

**Matt Davis** – Health issues.

Mitch Davis – Issues.

**Lavena Drop** – Home. Aunt of Laura Kuhn. Chemo.

**Elsie Smith** – Cancer. 3 yrs. old. New treatments. Per Margaret.

The Family of Georgianna Spriestersbach upon her death.

## Notes

<u>Ladies Bible Study.</u> Dec. 12th, 9:30.

## Fellowship - Teacher

**Appreciation**. Dec. 17<sup>th</sup> am. All are invited to say "thanks" to those who have taught in 2023. Bring a dish to share.

## New Years Eve Fellowship -

Sunday Dec. 31. Plan to meet following evening services. Bring an appetizer or finger food and a dessert and/or pop, a white elephant gift for a fun exchange and family friendly games!

Gloves & Socks are being collected. Men/women/children. See Dianne Martin. Put in box in foyer. (Dec. 10<sup>th</sup> last day.)

<u>Holiday Cards</u> Can be put on the board in the foyer!

## **Extended Prayer List:**

Bertha Adair (Gail's aunt), Linda Caldwell, Adele & Leroy Gall, Debbie Harris, Eric Glover, Jessi Hruss, Barb King, Gail Spriestersbach, Dave Van Wingerden (cancer returned), Ruth Watson.

# Trivia Answers & Scriptures are given to Gary on paper with your name OR by texting him. C'mon, join in!

<u>Trivia</u>: In Acts 5, what was the name of the Pharisee who ordered that the apostles not be put to death but rather freed to go their way? **Answer**: Gamaliel. V. 34-39. **Answerers**: Roger & Mary Davis, Anita Mattingly, Kathy Lindsey, Randy & Laura Kuhn, Becky Kois, Nancy Scarborough, Sharon Woodrum, Eileen Kerns, Lillian Brewer, Kendall Taylor, Linda Ropog.

New Trivia: According to John 5, where was the Pool of Bethesda?

# <u>December Birthdays & Anniversaries</u>

| Lloyd Cisco            | 2  |
|------------------------|----|
| Charlotte Brown        | 4  |
| Rosa Pratt             | 5  |
| Tommy Carter           | 9  |
| Brian Thompson         | 10 |
| Randy Kuhn             | 12 |
| Evelyn Scarborough     | 16 |
| Joe Pratt              | 18 |
| Beth Miller            | 19 |
| Noel Letso             | 24 |
| Liney Woodrum          | 29 |
| Gary Standen           | 30 |
| Steve & Beth Miller    | 11 |
| Greg & Denise Anderson | 31 |

## Widows & Widowers

Lola Anderson, Joyce Brewer, Frances Brown, Kathy Carter, Linda Caldwell, Joyce Fetzer, Elaine Leonhardt, Kathy Lindsey, Jerry Mullins, Shirley Sarver, Dora Talbert, Ruth Watson, Diana Wirth, Sharon Woodrum.

## Thought:

Teach your children to pray. You won't be around them all their lives, but God will be.

# East Broad St. Church of Christ



## <u>December 10, 2023</u>

Many are the sorrows of the wicked, but steadfast love surrounds the one who trusts in the LORD. Be glad in the LORD, and rejoice, O righteous, and shout for joy, all you upright in heart!

Psalm 32:10-11. ESV.

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## **Assembly Times**

| Sun. Bible Class | 10:00 am |
|------------------|----------|
| Sun. Worship     | 11:00 am |
| Sun. PM Worship  | 6:00 pm  |
| Wed. Bible Study | 7:00 pm  |

All the churches of Christ greet you. Romans 16:16. ESV.

## **WELCOME**

We welcome our visitors to the worship services today as our honored guests. Please fill out a Visitors Card and put it in the offering plate. We hope & pray you will return soon.