



Flood Blantyre

Awakening a City of Hope

Our mission is to serve the city in love and faith with authentic connections to develop a movement of hope filled people rooted in Yesu




RELATIONSHIP GOALS



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1 CORINTHIANS 13:4-8

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It always protects,
always trusts, always hopes,
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AND NOW THESE THREE REMAIN:

faith, hope & love.

BUT THE GREATEST OF THESE IS LOVE.



1 CORINTHIANS 13:13



Confused
CHURCH

1 Corinthians

13:8-12



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Already but Not Yet

1 Corinthians 13:8-12 with Zack Brady

WELCOME CENTER


POLYNESIAN
HOTEL & RESORT





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2 Corinthians 4:16-19

¹⁶ Therefore, we do not lose heart, but though our outer man is decaying, yet our inner man is being renewed day by day. ¹⁷ For momentary, light affliction is producing for us an eternal weight of glory far beyond all comparison. ¹⁸ While we look not at the things which are seen, but at the things which are not seen; for the things which are seen are temporal, but the things which are not seen are eternal.






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2 Corinthians 5:1-2, 5

¹ For we know that if the earthly tent which is our house is torn down, we have a building from God, a house not made with hands, eternal in the heavens. ² For indeed in this house we groan, longing to be clothed with our dwelling from heaven.


⁵ Now He who prepared us for this very purpose is God, who gave to us the Spirit as a pledge.





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1 John 3:1-2

¹ See how great a love the Father has bestowed upon us that we should be called children of God; and such we are. For this reason, the world does not know us, because it did not know him. ² Beloved, now we are children of God and it has not appeared as yet what we shall be. We know that when He appears we shall be like Him, because we shall see Him just as He is.






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¹⁷ And the Spirit and the bride say “Come!” And let the one who hears say, “Come!” And let the one who is thirsty come; let the one who wishes take the water of life without cost.





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If you read history you will find that the Christians who did most for the present world were just those who thought most of the next. The Apostles themselves, who set on foot the conversion of the Roman Empire, the great men who built up the Middle Ages, the English Evangelicals who abolished the Slave Trade, all left their mark on Earth, precisely because their minds were occupied with Heaven. It is since Christians have largely ceased to think of the other world that they have become so ineffective in this. Aim at Heaven and you will get earth 'thrown in'; aim at earth and you will get neither. (C.S. Lewis, *Mere Christianity*, bk. 3, ch. 10).



Next Steps

1. Remember that we live in the tension and frustration of the “already but not yet.”
 2. Sit with the Lord and ask, “What are some childish ways in me that need put away?”
 3. How does the “Age to Come” affect my relationships in this “Present Age?”
 4. As we continue to look forward to Easter - what’s one thing you can do to see Jesus more clearly?
 1. (Jump into the Lent devotional on the YouVersion App)
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