

<b>Privileged to Serve</b>	
Speaker ... Andy Duncan (am); Tom Fair (pm)	
Announcements/Prayer..... Randy Rives	
Song Leader..... Tom F. (am); Andy D. (pm)	
Attendance.....	
<b>Morning</b>	
Scripture/Opening Prayer .....	TBA
Lord's Supper .....	Randy Rives
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Closing Prayer.....	
<b>Evening</b>	
Opening Prayer .....	
Lord's Supper .....	
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Closing Prayer.....	
<b>Communion Preparation</b>	
Month of October .....	
Month of November .....	
<b>Nursery Attendant; Backup</b>	
October 24 .....	Katie Agan; Angela Duncan
October 31 .....	Angela Duncan; Lara King
<b>Wednesday Evening - October 27, 2021</b>	
Prayer/Announcements.....	
Song Leader.....	
Devotional.....	

<b>Service Times</b>	
<b>SUNDAY</b>	
Bible Study.....	9:00 a.m.
Morning Worship.....	10:00 a.m.
Evening Worship.....	5:00 p.m.
<b>WEDNESDAY</b>	
Bible Study.....	6:00 p.m.

<b>Elders</b>	
<b>ANDY DUNCAN</b> .....	(662) 416-2222
<b>TOM FAIR</b> .....	(601) 681-8293
<b>Deacons</b>	
<b>LAMAR KING</b> .....	(601) 604-2656
BUILDING/GROUNDS	
<b>RANDY RIVES</b> .....	(601) 513-4785
EDUCATION & WORSHIP	
<b>ALBERT ST. CLAIR</b> .....	(601) 626-7815
<b>Works Supported</b>	
<b>Robert Martin</b>	
<b>Stacey Ferguson</b>	
South Pacific Missions	
<b>Pine Vale Children's Home</b>	
Corinth, Mississippi	

<b>Attendance Last Week</b>	
Sunday Bible Class	cancelled
Sunday Morning Worship	41
Sunday Morning via Live-Stream	6
Sunday Evening Worship	13
Sunday Evening via Live-Stream	16
Wednesday Bible Study	*
<b>Contributions &amp; Other Income</b>	
Contribution Last Week	\$ 1,475.00
* Figures Unavailable	



*October 24, 2021*      *Meridian Messenger*      *Welcome Visitors!*

## THE CHRISTIAN GRACES ♣ part 8

"ADD...TO BROTHERLY KINDNESS CHARITY"  
**INTRODUCTION:** The last, but certainly not the least, quality (or grace) to be added by the Christian to his faith, in order to be a partaker of the divine nature, is "charity," or love. Charity is benevolence, though charity will certainly lead one to practice benevolence. The Greek word, used "to describe the attitude of God toward His Son, the human race, generally, and to such as believe on the Lord Jesus, particularly." It is used "to express the essential nature of God." It "is not an impulse from the feelings, it does not always run with the natural inclinations, nor...spend itself only upon those for whom some affinity is discovered." Rather, it "seeks the welfare of all" (Vine's pp. 702,03).

- ESSENTIALITY OF LOVE**
- A. Life without love is futile (1 Cor. 13:1-3).
  - B. Love has a character all its own (1 Cor. 13:4-7).
  - C. Love will never seek anything but the highest good of its fellow men.
    - 1. It does not matter how its fellow men treat it.
    - 2. It does not matter what and who its fellow men are.
    - 3. It does not matter what their attitude is toward it.
    - 4. It will never seek anything but their highest and best good.
    - 5. This can best be seen in God's love for us (Rom. 5:8).
  - D. Unlike spiritual gifts, love will never fail (1 Cor. 13:8-12).
  - E. Love will outlive faith and hope (1 Cor. 13:13).
    - 1. Faith will eventually become sight (2 Cor. 5:7).
    - 2. Hope will eventually become possession (1 Peter 1:3-5).

- PROPER OBJECTS OF LOVE**
- A. Love God (Mark 12:29,30)
  - B. Love Neighbor (Mark 12:31)
  - C. Love Brethren (1 Peter 1:22)
  - D. Love Wife (Eph. 5:25,33)
  - E. Love Enemy (Matt. 5:43,44)
  - F. Love Yourself (Mark 12:31)

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