

- ◆ Don't forget, the end of the year Church party today at 4 p.m. ,at the home of Jeremy and Carrie VanSlyke.



Christians must Have the Characteristics of Children

By David Cariaga



"And said, Verily I say unto you,
 Except ye be converted, and become as
 little children, ye shall not enter into
 the kingdom of heaven."

Matthew 18:3 (KJV)

A long time ago, I experienced seeing one of my little sons crying so loud because of the strong thunder and typhoon that woke him up. I rushed to his room and comforted him by telling him that all is okay and Daddy won't leave him. Feeling my warm embrace and protection, all his fear subsided. My son knew and is assured that I will take care of him and he stopped his fear and crying because the person he trusts is there to protect him.

That's the way we are too to our Lord. Our Lord comforts us as we cling to Him and trust Him. He wants us to hold

on to Him and live with Him like little children to their father. Jesus says; "Come to me, all you who are weary and burdened, and I will give you rest (NIV Matthew 11:28). As we want to dedicate our lives, let us come to Him everyday, to free us from anger and shame from sin and Satan, from all our cares, worries, and sorrows.

Many times children were used by Jesus as an example. If you remember, I mentioned in our Sunday Bible Study that Jesus has a soft heart. I could imagine how our Lord is so soft to little children as he protects them when he said, "Allow the little children, and don't forbid them to come to me; for the Kingdom of Heaven belongs to ones like these" (Matthew 19:14 World English Bible). Jesus is attracted to children and see their purity, without malice and innocence. Clarke's Commentary on the Bible says; Christ loves little children because He loves simplicity and innocence; He has sanctified their very age by passing through it himself. Our Lord and Savior Jesus was once a little child.

Mona Youssef in her article says "as a child matures he/she loses the innocence for many reasons". She added by elaborating the common characteristics that a child loves, trusts, feel intimate with others, free from restrains, easily makes friends, share his/her toys and act spontaneously as she/he almost fear nothing. This is the purity we all adore....."(Purity of a Child posted December 30, 2014) This is just the pure innocent characteristics that children have and our Lord Jesus saw - that only children possess such pure qualities. The Lord said; Verily I say unto you, Except ye be converted, and become as little children, ye shall not enter into the kingdom of heaven. Whosoever therefore shall humble himself as this little child, the same is greatest in the kingdom of heaven. (Matthew 18:3-4)

Let us come to Him and hold on to Him as He tells us "Abide in me, and I in you" (John 15:4 English Standard Version).

Sun	Mon	Tue	Wed	Thu	Fri	Sat
27	28	29 Bible Class @ 7 with David Cariaga	30	1 Jocelyn Lebel B'day	2 Key Kingdom Vision Channel 9:30 am	3 Men's Prayer Breakfast @ 9 am
4 Potluck	5 Enoch Attedjro B'day	6 Bible Class @ 7 with David Cariaga	7	8	9 Key Kingdom Vision Channel 9:30 am	10 Women's Prayer Breakfast @ 9am
11	12	13 Bible Class @ 7 with David Cariaga	14 Neil Prokop B'day	15	16 Key Kingdom Vision Channel 9:30 am	17 Carol Peters B'day
18 End of year Church party	19	20 Bible Class @ 7 with David Cariaga	21	22	23 Key Kingdom Vision Channel 9:30 am	24
25 Christmas Day	26 Boxing Day	27 Public Holiday	28	29	30 Key Kingdom Vision Channel 9:30 am	31

Bible Mad Gab: Hike Ann Duel Thinks Threw Cries (See Philippians 4:13 for answer)

On for cleaning..... Erma Gorman and Shirley Taylor

Food Bank Items: Peanut Butter; Soup; Kraft Dinner;

Condiments; Canned Meats/Fish/Fruit; Dry Spaghetti/Sauce

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Order of Worship

Bible Class



9:45-10:30am Sundays
David Cariaga (John Chapter 12)

7:00-8:00 pm Tuesdays
David Cariaga



Prayer Time

10:30—10:45 am Sundays



Worship

11:00 am Sundays

Leadership for Worship

Song Leader.....Jeremy VanSlyke
Worship Prayer.....James Bortey
Presiding at the Table.....Daren Simmons
Assisting.....Jonah Simmons
SermonDavid Cariaga
Collection.....Daren Simmons
Closing Prayer.....Lee-Andrew Duncan
Announcements.....Lee-Andrew Duncan

John 4:24

**God is a Spirit: and they that worship
Him must worship in spirit and truth.**

Prayers for those we love...

1. Wisdom for the spiritual Leadership of all the churches.
2. Our bible class teachers and students.
3. Church evangelism, spiritual growth and unity.
4. Missionaries—Joel Osborne, Ruth Zimmerman and Ron and Karen Clayton.
5. Key to the Kingdom program, teachers and students.
6. Wisdom for the leaders of our country and the military.
7. Those not worshipping with us today.
8. All Brethren living in isolated areas.
9. That Sel's dad will be healed of his prostate cancer and that her mom will have the strength to live through the process.
10. That Jocelyn's Brother-in-Law will be saved and God will ease his suffering.
11. That the Evacuees of Fort McMurray will find homes, financial help or new jobs, and have their needs met.
12. That Corey and Claudia will become strong in the faith again.
13. Ann Landry is out of the ICU. Pray for her health.
14. Those of our congregation travelling.
15. That Gizel Attedjro would stay focused and grow in faith as she studies at the Great Lakes Christian college .