Activities: A man that hath friends must shew himself friendly (Pr 18:24)
10-06 Tuesday 12:00, Lunch Out at Sonny’s BBQ in Lawrenceville
10-08 Our annual Apple trip to North Georgia
10-(27-30) The Wilds Senior Retreat; we are looking forward to Pastor Sweatt being our retreat speaker!

Anniversaries: What therefore God hath joined together, let not man put asunder (Mr 10:9)
10-01 Norm & Julie Glasser #38
10-01 Art & Jean Stercay #66
10-07 Bill & Marge Rygh #54
10-12 Ed & Rebecca Mills #24
10-01 Dick & Joan Beattie #50
10-16 Mitch & Christine Jones #27
10-20 Kim & Dania Darnell #25

Birthdays: But strong meat belongeth to them that are of full age … to discern both good and evil (Heb 5:14)
10-02 Rick Brinson
10-06 Chris Parks
10-13 Nick Martinelli #84
10-18 Vickie Kelley
10-19 Dick Beattie
10-20 Morris Kent
10-20 Sam Mabry
10-21 Tim Franklin
10-24 Harold Lindsey
10-25 Priscilla Knezevich ??
10-25 Bill Rygh
10-26 Bill Goff
10-26 Lawrence McLean
10-30 Pastor Randy Hurst
10-31 Bill Lake
10-31 Pastor Danny Sweatt

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JoAnn Watkins and her sister, Jackie Todd, are no match for Rob’s eating at our Golden Corral Lunch-Out
**Without a Doubt**

When Life is Out of Control...
How Should We Pray?

**Pastor Rob Stroup**

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**Have the circumstances of life got you down? Are you overwhelmed? What grief are you experiencing, what anxiety, or anguish? Do you feel that God has forsaken you? Does it seem your prayers are unanswered?**

Sometimes we feel like shouting out Christ’s cry from the cross, “My God, my God, why hast Thou forsaken me?” But then we realize how foolish it is to compare our suffering with that of Jesus and we swallow our words. But David did not seem to hold back his emotions in the thirteenth Psalm.

**Psalm 13:1-4** How long wilt thou forget me, O LORD? For ever? how long wilt thou hide thy face from me? How long shall I take counsel in my soul, having sorrow in my heart daily? how long shall mine enemy be exalted over me? Consider and hear me, O LORD my God: lighten mine eyes, lest I sleep the sleep of death; Lest mine enemy say, I have prevailed against him; and those that trouble me rejoice when I am moved.

If we cannot express our heart to God, to whom can we speak? He already knows our thoughts. He knows our circumstances. We should be honest with Him and pour out our emotions humbly to Him in prayer. He is the one that can change our circumstances, although often His plan is to change us! Can we expect Him to work on our behalf if we are not honest and open when we speak to Him?

After David pours out his heart to God, there is a key change in the middle of the Psalm. Verses 5 and 6 sound very different from the first verses:

**Psalm 13:5-6** But I have trusted in thy mercy; my heart shall rejoice in thy salvation. I will sing unto the LORD, because he hath dealt bountifully with me.

Here we see that David has made a decision to trust God’s goodness in his situation. We must take that step of faith, also. Trust God in the midst of the trial. Trust in His love and mercy, His character and wisdom. Then we choose as David, to sing the praises of God. If we follow the example of the Psalmist, we will rejoice in our times of testing!

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**He Giveth More Grace**

He giveth more grace as our burdens grow greater,
He sendeth more strength as our labors increase;
To added afflictions He addeth His mercy,
To multiplied trials He multiplies peace.

When we have exhausted our store of endurance,
When our strength has failed ere the day is half done,
When we reach the end of our hoarded resources
Our Father’s full giving is only begun.

Fear not that thy need shall exceed His provision,
Our God ever yearns His resources to share;
Lean hard on the arm everlasting, availing;
The Father both thee and thy load will upbear.
His love has no limits, His grace has no measure,
His power no boundary known unto men;
For out of His infinite riches in Jesus
He giveth, and giveth, and giveth again.

- Annie J. Flint
Golden Corral Luncheon with
top (Bob Wheeler, Martin & Betty Ballew),
bottom (Dave & Joyce Carlson, Bill & Glenna Detrick)