The Encourager

FAITH • FELLOWSHIP • SERVICE

FRONT ROYAL CHURCH OF CHRIST

Encouraging one another • Growing together in Christ

SUNDAY • NOVEMBER 1, 2026

10:00 AM Bible Study • 11:00 AM Worship • 2:00 PM Worship

WELCOME

We're so glad you're here! Whether you are a longtime member, a returning friend, or worshiping with us for the first time, you are warmly welcomed at the Front Royal Church of Christ. We pray that our time together will encourage your heart, strengthen your faith, and draw you closer to God.

If you are visiting with us, please take a moment to fill out a visitor card so we may have a record of your visit and an opportunity to get to know you better. If there is any way we can serve you, pray for you, or assist you in your walk with God, please let us know. Thank you for being with us today!

"Therefore encourage one another and build one another up." — 1 Thessalonians 5:11

WORSHIP & BIBLE STUDY

Bible Study — 10:00 AM Classes and Bible study for spiritual growth and encouragement. 1Kings 7

Morning Worship — 11:00 AM Worship through prayer, singing, Scripture, the Lord's Supper, giving, and the preaching of God's Word.

Afternoon Worship — 2:00 PM Worship, fellowship, and another opportunity to study God's Word.

Wednesday Bible Study — 7:00 PM Join us midweek for Bible study, fellowship, and spiritual encouragement. Philippians 2

ANNOUNCEMENTS & PRAYER REQUESTS

*Please remember in prayer: Linda Sullivan (surgery), Debbie Martin (surgery), Brenda Born, Mike McCool. Remember all members in prayer. *We must pray for all men. – 1Timothy 2:1*

* Potluck every Sunday after morning worship. All are welcome.

* November 26th, Thanksgiving dinner at 2:00 p.m. in the fellowship hall. Bring covered dish to share. All are welcome.

*PLEASE NO FOOD OR DRINKS IN THE AUDITORIUM!!

BIRTHDAYS & ANNIVERSARIES

Birthdays: Lilah Edwards – 11/19, Carson VanArsdall – 11/26, and Brenda Born – 11/29

Anniversaries: None this month

THOUGHT FOR TODAY

By the blessing of the upright a city is exalted, but by the mouth of the wicked it is overthrown. Proverbs 11:11

BIBLE TRIVIA

Question: What people did Paul say were always liars?

Answer: Cretians. – Titus 1:12-13

MEN SERVING TODAY

SONG LEADER – David Born

PM SONG LEADER – Cyric Edwards

OPENING PRAYER – T.K. Edwards

TABLE – Mike McCool

SERVE – Danny Derflinger

CLOSING PRAYER – Cyric Edwards

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Doing Good Out of a Bad Situation

(Philippians 1:12-18)

INTRODUCTION

1. We have seen Paul's FONDNESS for the saints at Philippi, as expressed in his thanksgiving and prayer.
2. Today, we shall see Paul's JOY, despite circumstances which would cause most people to be discouraged.
3. The title of this lesson is “Doing Good Out of a Bad Situation”, for this is what Paul did, as we find in our text.

I. IN IMPRISONMENT (12-14)

A. PAUL INFORMS THEM OF THE PROGRESS OF THE GOSPEL (12)
B. THERE WERE SERMONS IN HIS CHAINS (13)
C. HIS EXAMPLE WAS PROMPTING OTHERS TO ACTION (14)

II. IN PERSECUTION (15-18)

A. SOME WERE PREACHING TO HURT PAUL (15a,16)
B. BUT WE SEE PAUL'S CONQUERING JOY SHINING THROUGH THE GLOOM (15b, 17-18)

III. DRAWING SOME APPLICATIONS FROM THIS TEXT

A. UNDERSTANDING THE "KEY" TO "Doing Good Out of a Bad Situation"...
B. TAKE HEART KNOWING THAT GOD CAN USE "IMPERFECT" TEACHERS...

CONCLUSION

1. To put it another way, not only was PAUL "doing good out of a bad situation", but GOD is able to "make good out ill"!
2. And so can we, if we like Paul make "preaching Christ" the major focus in life! Do we?

Even if you are lost in sin, or a child of God who has strayed away, you can let Christ make good out of your ill circumstances by obeying His gospel...

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