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## God's Way Is Always Better

He guides the humble in what is right and teaches them his way." Psalm 25:9 (NIV)

God is ready and willing to guide you through life, but first you need to admit you need a guide.

If you're like most people, you don't really want to follow God or anybody else. You want to go your own way. Instead of doing what God wants you to do, you take matters into your own hands.

Isaiah 53:6 says, "All of us, like sheep, have strayed away. We have left God's paths to follow our own" (NLT). Sheep, by nature, tend to wander off the path. That's why they need guidance from a shepherd. Another thing about sheep is that they have poor vision. They can't see very far ahead.

It's not surprising that the Bible compares us to sheep! God made us so that we would not be able to see into the future, no matter how hard we try. He did it so we would depend on him.

We need God to be our shepherd and lead us on the right path.

Proverbs 14:12 says, "There is a way that appears to be right, but in the end it leads to death" (NIV). We've all made decisions that at the time seemed right but later turned out to be wrong. Some paths lead to dead ends, and you end up off track. That's why you need to admit, "God, I need help."

When you trust God's will more than your own, it represents a deep level of faith and makes all the difference in the world.

If you look at your circumstances from your point of view, it won't always make sense. But when you believe that God's point of view is greater and longer and deeper than you could ever dream, the problem suddenly shrinks in size. The next step becomes clearer.

When Israel's army looked at Goliath, they said, "This guy is impossible to handle. We're never going to be able to take him down." If they had trusted their point of view, they would have been defeated.

But David looked at Goliath from God's point of view and said, "He's just a mere mortal man who is defiling and defaming God." He believed God could see more and do more than they could ever think of, and it led to Israel's victory.

You can trust God to see the better way that leads to life. He wants to lead you on the right path, and that's exactly what he'll do when you surrender to him and let him be your guide.

Rick Warren

	NEWS & NOTES		
Sat. Oct. 12 10-12 Ladies Saturday Bible Study @ church building. We will putting together college care bags.	Oct. 26- Trick or Trunkingdetails to follow October 27-Pot Luck after worship. Harvest themed pot luck and pie contest. A sign up sheet is posted for Fall themed dishes.	Oct. 29- 9:30 am mid -week Ladies Bible Study via zoom	Remember to contribute to Spooner House food collection and our own food pantry BARNABAS PROJECT- IF INTERESTED in joining contact MaryLou(475)529-5751

\*Pray for Nancy who is dealing with intense hip pain.

\*Pray for **Angela Webber** and family, her mom passed away recently.

\*Pray for Larry Lewis's brother's recovery from knee replacement surgery.

\*Pray for **Conrad Moorer** (the Eddy's minister in Indiana) and family, his wife passed away this past week.

\*Pray for Greg Cerminara's friend, **Kenny Bruno**, he is receiving chemo, also for Greg's sister**Mary Preteska..** 

\*Pray for **Mike Ross** who struggles with chronic/intense pain.

\*Pray for **Esther Aggrey** who has some health issues, also for her family as her aunt passed away and for her husband and children.

\*Pray for Luis & Jen Ruiz regarding permanency for Levi.

\*Pray for Debbie Christy's niece, **Carrie** as she struggles with cancer. also for Debbie's brother who is going through testing.

\*Pray for Sue's (friend of Leah) cousinvGary Krysta recently diagnosed with stage 4 Hodgkin's Lymphoma.

\*Pray for **Emille Jones**, for proper treatment of a rare genetic disease-Cowden Syndrome.

\*Pray for **Ray Fernandes 's** brother **Mike** healing from surgery, & his **mom** who recently fell and fractured her pelvis and spine.

\*Pray for **Irene Aschen** with treatment for delicate medical issues.

\*Pray for **Flo** as she continues with medical testing.

\*Pray for those dealing with cancer and chemo treatments- Al Wilson, Judith Gomez, David Fritzinger, Cohen (Ron's friend), Tom Byer \*Prayers for all those who have lost loved ones this past year.

\*Pray for families, relatives, friends and people

we are reaching out to, that they may turn to the Lord. Special prayers for our church leaders. Prayers for all families caring for their elderly or sick loved ones: Allie Saracino-Cherie, Bob and Joanne Discala-Virginia, Greg & Linda, Gina Porto \*Pray for those suffering from long term illnesses: Emille Jones, Ted & Toni Bonadio, Kevin Early, NadineKeller, Greg & Linda Cerminara, Jeremy Sazone, Flo Repecko, Pat Yaglowski. Meegan and Irene, Sylvia Sandoval, Nuris Gomez, Mildred, Karen O, Angela's mom Connie Scalzo, Anthony Katz., Jasmyn Malagutti, Daniel Ruiz., Zak Pappas Fernandes., Jim Walkup's brother (Sam), Lance Flood, Zach Saracino, Joshua Ruiz, Brody Streety & all children with diabetes.

\*Anyone interested in helping with **World Bible School-** contact Ron

\*Opportunities to serve: any men willing to participate in worship service in other capacities for the church, please contact Bruce Post. Anyone interested in leading and/or helping with the building or church house maintenance please contact Bruce Pancoast.

Please bring nonperishable food items for the **Spooner House** - a list of all items needed is on back table: Jelly/Jam/Peanut Butter, Cereal/Oatmeal, Canned Meats: Chicken, Tuna, Corned Beef Hash, Canned Ravioli/Tomatoes, Pasta Sauce, Canned Fruit/Applesauce, Crackers/Snacks, Pancake Mix/Syrup, Ramen, Hamburger/Tuna Helper, Baked beans/Pork and Beans, Canned/Dried Beans (i.e. Black, Chick Pea, Cannellini, Kidney, Pinto), Rice/Rice-A-Roni, Soup/Stew/Chili, Instant/Canned Potatoes/Yams. Bring these food items to the building to be delivered to the Spooner House. Please make sure that items do not have expired dates. Thank you

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## Wednesday Night Bible Study

7:00 pm via zoom

Bible class Sun. 10 am, worship service 11 am Online bible class and worship service go to our website: **trumbullchurchofchrist.org** 

Week of 10/6/24

Song Leader :Kris Eddy Lord's Table:Bruce Pancoast Closing Prayer:Andrew Langalis

Usher:Bob Discala

Week of 9/29-10/05/24

**Donations \$3460Expenses:\$4266** 

3rd quarter donations \$40,174 expenses \$45,193