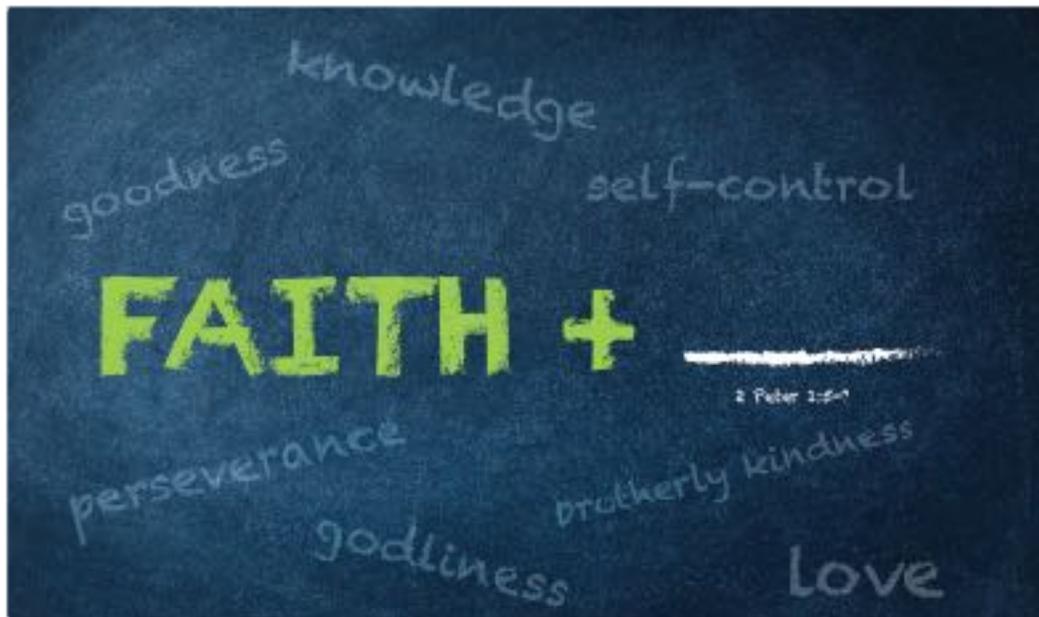


Central Jersey Church of Christ

January Newsletter



We have a new sister! Ariana Perez was baptized into Christ on Sunday 1/21!



Welcome to the family!

Daily Q.T. Series



We began 2018 with a 36 day series on the life and letters of Peter the Apostle.

Aliens and Strangers
by Brett Kreider

2018 Church Theme-Faith Plus

"...make every effort to add to your faith goodness; and to goodness, knowledge; and to knowledge, self-control; and to self-control, perseverance; and to perseverance, godliness; and to godliness, mutual affection; and to mutual affection, love." 2 Peter 1:5-7 NIV

In the month of January our sermons focused on adding **godliness** to our faith. Below are some of the highlights from each sermon.

1/7

GODLY EXPECTATIONS

Reset your mind
Refocus on God
Rejoice in the victories
Acts 3:1-10

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GODLY RELATIONSHIPS

Choose Wisely
James 3:13-18
Be Timely
Hebrews 10:23-25

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GODLY #GOALS

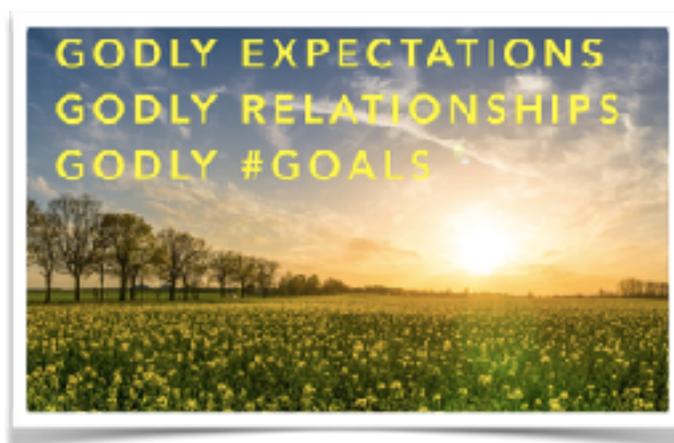
Prioritize what you **value** over what you **want**. (Rom. 7:14-25 Luke 4:38-43 & Matt. 25:14-30)

Faith + Godliness

Summary of sermons on "Godliness"

Godly Expectations- We all have expectations. Sometimes we set our expectations low so that we are not disappointed. Other times we set high expectations and ARE disappointed, and even at times get embittered when things don't turn out the way we wanted. The answer is not high or low but **GODLY EXPECTATIONS**.

Godly Expectations are expectations based on who HE is and HIS promises. What are your expectations for what God will do in your life in 2018? Are they based on who God is and His promises? Or are they based on your past disappointments or routines that you have settled into, in effect nudging God out of our viewpoint? We must remember that our expectations affect what we see. Have you ever done research on buying a particular car and all of a sudden you see that car everywhere? The car didn't all of a sudden become more popular. The only thing that has changed is that you've been looking with that particular make of car in mind. If you weren't looking you wouldn't notice the car nearly as often. In other words if you are not specifically looking you may miss



“Aim at heaven and you will get earth thrown in. Aim at earth and you get neither.”

C.S. Lewis

what is happening all around you. In the same way if you are not expecting God to do something great in your life, you will not look. And if you do not look you may end up missing all the ways in which He is already working in your life. Let's make sure that our expectations are not high or low but simply **Godly!**

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Godly Relationships-The Bible says that, “bad company corrupts good character”(1 Cor. 15:33) It also says, “He who walks with wise men will be wise”(Proverbs 13:20a). So who we choose to be around will have a profound effect on our lives. We must **choose wisely**. And we must **be timely** and devote the appropriate time and energy to forging the kind of relationships that will help us be our best for God and ultimately make it to heaven.

Godly #Goals- On social media it is pretty common for someone to post a picture of a relationship that they admire or aspire to and tag that picture with **#Goals**. As disciples we have to be sure to set goals according to our values and not just what we want. Having **Godly #Goals** can be useful for us as we plan our schedules and prioritize the things that matter most. Let’s not allow worldly desires to distract us from the type of **Godly #Goals** that will not only help to guide our lives but also enable us to change the world around us one person at a time.



Campus Sunday

On Sunday January 28th our campus led us in worship. The theme was “My Greatest Need”. Different students shared how God used what they thought they needed most to draw them to himself. Those who led in worship and who shared throughout the service truly inspired us all.

FEBRUARY DATES TO REMEMBER

2/3- Christian Professional Workshop

Speaker- Shawn Sommerkamp

2/9- Movie Night “The Heart of Man”

2/11- Disciples In Motion

2/17- Diversity Workshop

Speakers- Scott & Thereasa Kirkpatrick

2/25- Sunday Sermon “Loving The Poor”

Speaker Dr. Steve Kinnard

