

# Laurel Church of Christ

## Family Focus

January 7, 2024

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### “BE STILL AND KNOW”: WHAT IT REALLY MEANS 8 Different Angles on What This Verse Means

There's little doubt Psalm 46:10 is a favorite or even a “life verse” for many Christians. It's the kind of passage that inspires music, fills powerful sermons, and graces scenic posters of placid lakes or quiet mountains. It's quoted much. But “be still and know” has been interpreted several different ways over the years, particularly among Bible translations and paraphrases.

Here's a look at verse 10 from several different perspectives:

1. **Contemporary English Version:** Our God says, “Calm down and learn that I am God! All nations on earth will honor me.”
2. **Holman Christian Standard Bible:** “Stop your fighting and learn that I am God, exalted among the nations, exalted on the earth.”
3. **King James Version:** “Be still, and know that I am God: I will be exalted among the heathen, I will be exalted in the earth.”
4. **The Message:** “Step out of the traffic! Take a long, loving look at me, your High God, above politics, above everything.”
5. **New Living Translation:** “Be still and know that I am God! I will be honored by every nation. I will be honored throughout the world.”
6. **Orthodox Jewish Bible:** “Be still and know that I am Elohim: I will be exalted among the Goyim, I will be exalted in ha'aretz (Heb. For the land of Israel).”
7. **Complete Jewish Bible:** “Desist, and learn that I am God, supreme over the nations, supreme over the earth.”
8. **Wycliffe Bible:** And he saith, “Give attention, and see ye, that I am God; I shall be exalted among the heathen; and I shall be exalted over all the earth.”

Be still, and know that I am God;  
I will be exalted among the nations,  
I will be exalted in the earth! NKJ

**Pray for the sick:** You may not know some of them but God knows them and their needs, so let's lift them up to Him!

**CONTINUING CONCERNS:** Terry Hastings, Sandi Holt, Pat Tucker, Myra's sister, Connie; Norma Hudson, Ruth Banks, Michelle Tucker  
On-going personal Bible studies  
World turmoil; people of Russia, Ukraine, Israel, Gaza, Guyana, Cameroon  
Cipolla family  
"Celebrate Recovery"  
AIM missionaries, Carolina Aguilar, Miguel Javier Dale and Maddy  
Latin American Missions  
Debbie Revel (Cassie's mother, surgery)  
Coleman family as they care for Kenny's parents  
Sue Banks (Jean's niece)  
Brenda Pepper; continued prayers; making progress following surgery  
Jenny Womersley, broken wrist  
Julia's Dad, Haines; upcoming surgery  
Charles Fooks (Jean's brother)  
Noah Donahoe's niece, Lottie; will be having heart surgery on Tuesday. Family requests prayers.  
Dave (Shane's friend); cancer

## Opportunities for study and worship

Sunday: (In person and virtually at:  
[www.laurelcoc.org](http://www.laurelcoc.org))

Bible Classes	9:00 a.m.
Worship	10:00 a.m.

Tuesday:

Women's Zoom Study	7:00 p.m.
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Wednesday

Men's prayer (Shawn's)	7:15 a.m.
Bible Study at building	6:30 p.m.
Friday ladies' Paul study	10:30 a.m.

We invite you to attend any of our service times, and we look forward to welcoming you, and pray that you might find a home here with us in Laurel and with God in heaven as His child.

If you need Media help — connections, addresses, or general questions contact: Don Trader or Julio Brennick

**CELEBRATE RECOVERY** each Monday evening from 6-8 in the FLC.

**WOMEN'S STUDIES**— Apostle Paul study Fridays at Cathy's, coffee and fellowship 10:30, study at 11:00. Ladies' Tuesday evening Zoom study at 7:00 pm.

**SECRET SISTER REVEAL LUNCHEON** Sat. Jan. 20th at JoJo's restaurant, Salisbury, 11:30. RSVP to Ginger. Bring your final gift to luncheon.

**MARK YOUR CALENDARS:** Jan. 28-31 Carey Terry will be here to deliver a series of lessons.

**OFFICE WALL CALENDAR** will soon be hung up so you can record dates for activities for 2024 or you can give to Diane to add to calendar.

### **MEN TO SERVE;**

Welcome/Scripture; 1/7 Lanny  
Prayer; 1/7 Bobby  
Table; 1/7 Julio  
Song Leader; 1/7 Troy  
Announcements/Closing prayer; Vinny-Jan.

## WHO WE ARE

The body of Christ in Laurel, Delaware is a family of believers knit together in love (Colossians 2:2), striving to serve God in spirit and in truth (John 4:24) and carrying the gospel to the lost (Matthew 28:18). We are an autonomous body with Christ only as our head, and elders shepherding the flock of God (Acts 20:28).

We have been entrusted with the gospel (I Thessalonians 2:4) and so it is that we speak. The congregation seeks to uphold the doctrine and practice of the first century church using the only true standard, the Bible, as our guide (2 Peter 1:3). It is our prayer that all would come to a knowledge of the truth and partake in that divine fellowship in the body of Christ, being immersed for the remission of sins, and beginning life anew with Christ as Lord (Acts 2:38, Romans 6:1). Our plea is that we might be one in Christ, and serve the Lord faithfully unto death to receive our crown (Revelation 2:10).