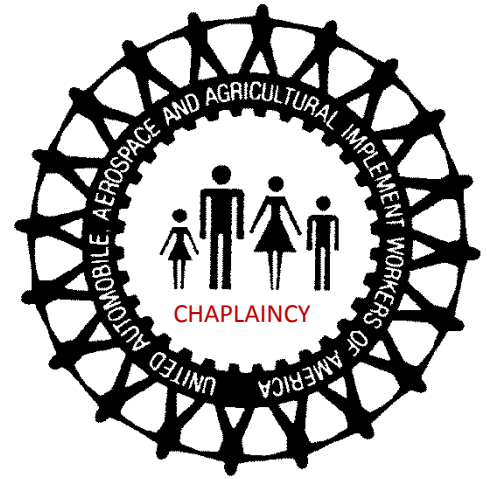


CHAPLAINCY



OUR APPROACH

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- HOW ARE WE APPROACHING PROBLEMS?
- HOW ARE WE REACTING?
- ARE WE CAREFUL WITH WHAT WE SAY?
- HOW DO OTHERS SEE US?

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FEELINGS:

We are conditioned by life's experiences and our reactions to those experiences, whether they are positive or negative. We are prone to react to life impulsively and instinctively rather than to respond on the basis of well-thought-out judgement. Man's word and manner of speech reveal their inner life, where their focus is, and who and what determines his peace and joy.

Matthew 12: 33 - Either make the tree good and its fruit good, or else make the tree corrupt and its fruit corrupt, for the tree is known by its fruit.

So, if you want good fruit, you must make the tree good. If your tree is not good, it will have bad fruit. A tree is known by the kind of fruit it produces. It starts with us/me. Do not allow the world/sin/Satan to determine who/what you are.

We generally focus is on what others have done or failed to do, and our reaction is usually to condemn or criticize, shift the blame, express anger, fear, worry, frustration, envy, bitterness, depression, etc. We can become judgmental.

Gen 4: 7 - If thou doest well, shall thou not be accepted? And if thou doest not well, sin lieth at the door. And unto thee shall be his desire, and thou shalt rule over him.

God is saying if you do things well I will accept you, but if you do not do them well, sin is ready to attack you. Sin wants you, but you must not let it rule over you. Just think this over for a moment, sound familiar? Do unto others as you would have others do unto you.

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DOINGS:

As one acts upon feelings the effect is usually un-biblical such as: unkind and bitter words, verbal attacks, demeaning comments, striking others, throwing things, holding grudges against others. Drunkenness, addictions, etc., against oneself.

James 1:22-25 - Be ye doers of the Word, and not hearers only, deceiving your own selves. For if any be a hearer of the word and not a doer, he is like unto a man, being holding his natural face in a glass. For he holdeth himself and goes away and straightway forgotten what manner of man he was! But who looketh into the perfect law of liberty and continueth therein. He being not a forgetful hearer but a doer of the work, this man shall be blessed in his deeds.

Do what God teachings says, when you only listen and do nothing you are fooling yourselves. Those who hear God's teaching and do nothing are like people who look at themselves in a mirror. They see their face and then go away and quickly forget what they looked at. People who are truly happy study God's perfect law/word makes them free and they continue to study it.

These actions reveal selfishness, self-serving, the creature, rather than serving God the Creator. Anything done without faith, without reference to God's word is sin. Continue to pray and diligently study God's word. Care and serve others. It's not about you.

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DOING (continued):

Ephesians 4: 29 - Let no corrupt communication proceed out of your mouth, but that which is good to use of edifying, that ye shall minister grace.

When you talk, do not say harmful things, say what people need. Words that will help others become stronger. Then what you say will do good to those who listen to you. Choose your words wisely!

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ROOT:

Our responses or reactions to life reflect our true, the source of our problems. Accordingly, the essence or substance of a man is his thoughts, his speech and his actions. We are able to identify the sin patterns and strongholds developed over the years that characterize the lifestyle and personally of the individual.

2 CORINTHIAN 5:17 - Therefore if any man be in Christ, he is a new creature: old things passed, behold all things are become new.

If anyone belongs to Christ, becomes a new creature, the old things have gone; everything is made new.

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KEY:

We establish godly roots by changing “I” to “We”, you in union with Christ which begins with the new birth, followed by the daily renewal of the mind as we begin to confront life on the basis of God’s words and principles, dead to sin and alive to God.

COLOSSIANS 3:10 - And have put on the new man, which is renewed in knowledge after the image of him that created him.

You have begun to live the new life, in which you are being made new and are becoming like the One who made you. This new life brings you the true knowledge of God.

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HOPE:

Hope is an anchor of the soul because it affects our mind and emotions. Christ within me, breaks the yoke of life's pressure on me, and my job is to develop this inner image of Christ within me. Because of Christ within me, that I in Him, never under but always over circumstances. No matter what I face in life.

HEBREWS 6: 18-20 - That by two immutable things, in which it was impossible for God to lie, we might have a strong consolation, who have fled for refuge to lay hold upon the hope set before us: Which hope we have as an anchor of the soul, both sure and steadfast, and which entereth into that within the veil; Whither the forerunner is for us entered, even Jesus, made a high priest for ever after the order of Melchizedek.

These two things cannot change: God cannot lie when he makes a promise, and he cannot lie when he makes an oath, These things encourage us who comes to God for safety. They give us strength to hold on to the hope we have been given. We have this hope as an anchor for the soul, sure and strong. It enters behind the curtain of the Most Holy Place in heaven, where Jesus has gone ahead of us and for us. He has become the high priest forever; a priest like Melchizedek.

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UNDERSTANDING THE PROBLEM FROM GOD'S POINT OF VIEW:

We are to look at life from God's perspective. His view, not our own, not our way! Based on our experiences, ideas, opinions, what others say, what the world says. The basic problem and ultimate challenge we will face in making Christ-honoring changes is dying to self. To when he makes a promise, live biblically is to respond to life's challenges that pleases and honor God, no longer pleasing and gratifying self.

PROVERBS 14:14 - The backslider in heart shall be filled with his own ways: and a good man shall be satisfied from himself.

Evil people will be paid back for their evil ways, and good people will be rewarded their good ones. You have choice. Know where your heart and mind serves, self, sin, Satan or Christ/God.

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We must choose to change. God will not do this for us. We cannot take living for granted, being careless about our thinking, speaking, and acting. We are here for God's purpose, to fight evil. It is critical that we judge ourselves daily, that we're walking in the spirit, following the Lord's way. Only then will we be in a position to help restore others. We must examine ourselves daily, and separating ourselves from the past. Expect to live a biblical lifestyle. Be a blessing to others. Lastly we need to identify areas that need changing.

Questions and Answers