

## A DEVOTIONAL FROM IFCA

### Striving to Be That One

Three hundred years ago, Jonathan Edwards was only a teenager, newly saved and pastoring his first church in New York. He was sold out for Christ and had a zeal to obey God completely. At age 19, over the course of a year (1722-23), he wrote 70 resolutions that molded and shaped him in his pastoral, theological and missionary ministries. His goal was to read them once a week, I assume he did. Many are challenging, convicting and seemingly impossible to keep, but I really like #63. This resolution of his is thought-provoking, yet lays down a lofty goal for which to strive.

He writes:

*63. On the supposition, that there never was to be but one individual in the world, at any one time, who was properly a complete Christian, in all respects of a right stamp, having Christianity always shining in its true luster, and appearing excellent and lovely, from whatever part and under whatever character viewed: Resolved, to act just as I would do, if I strove with all my might to be that one, who should live in my time.*

Some thoughts come to mind. First, no one is perfect as we are all sinners. Even after salvation, we keep our sin nature. Sinless perfection will not happen until Heaven. Second, it is possible. There have been people who stood out to God in Scripture in their times—Enoch, Noah, Abraham, Job, Moses, David and of course Christ Himself. There were others.

It's not a competition and cannot be driven by pride, but it's a good goal, by God's grace, for anyone to strive for.

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## THE LORD'S DAY October 22, 2023 – 11:00 AM

### ORDER OF SERVICE

#### Prelude

"He Leadeth Me"

#### Scripture & Prayer

1 Thessalonians 5:12-22, *Pastor Edward Caballero*

#### Worship through Song

"I Will Praise Him" #497

#### Congregational Greeting

#### Announcements

#### Missions Focus X & Y Family

*Presented by Peter Ellis*

#### Worship through Song

"Redeemed" #516

*(Children ages 5-12 are now dismissed for Children's Church.)*

#### Worship through the Preached Word

"Outwitted and Owned," 2 Samuel 14:1-20  
Pastor Scott Bashoor

#### Worship through Song

"May the Mind of Christ, My Savior" #568

#### Postlude

"Just a Closer Walk with Thee"

*(Parents, please pick up your children promptly from Children's Church.)*

## TODAY'S SCHEDULE

- 9:45 AM** – Bible Classes for Adults, Teens, and Children  
**11:00 AM** – Morning Worship Service  
**6:00 PM** – Evening Service. *Pastor Scott will preach on, "Eyeing God's Word," Psalm 119:121-128.* Meets tonight in Fellowship Hall.  
– Youth Music Rehearsal in the Chapel  
**7:15 PM** – Adult Choir Rehearsal

## THIS NEXT WEEK

### Wednesday

- Midweek Prayer (Bilingual), 6:30 PM
- FunFair Work Night & Adventure Club, 7:00 PM

### Saturday

- Kid's Fun Fair, Oct 28, 1:00 PM - 4:00 PM

### Sunday

- Bible Classes for Adults, Teens, and Children, 9:45 AM
- Morning Worship Service, 11:00 AM
- No Evening Service
- No Youth or Adult Choir Rehearsals Youth

## UPCOMING

- **Men's Prayer Breakfast**, Nov 4 (Sat), 9:00 AM
- **Communion Service**, Nov 5 (Sun), 11:00 AM
- **Potluck Fellowship**, Nov 5 (Sun), After the AM service
- **Thanksgiving Dinner**, Nov 19 (Sun), 5:00 PM
- **Thanksgiving Service**, Nov 22 (Wed), 7:00 PM

## GIVING

You can give to the Lord's work by:

- ▶ **The Collection Boxes** in the back of the Chapel & Fellowship Hall
- ▶ **PayPal** on our church's website, [www.Community-Bible.com](http://www.Community-Bible.com)
- ▶ **Mail** to Community Bible Church, 2930 W. Ball Rd, Anaheim, CA 92804



## MISSIONS FOCUS

### X & Y Family



The X & Y family serve a restricted access nation. They provide leadership training and discipleship for local Pastors and church leaders. Please keep them in your prayers.

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## FALL FUN FAIR SIGNUPS

Volunteers are needed for this annual children's outreach event. Kids play table top games for prizes, and they earn more play time by memorizing Gospel related verses. Saturday, October 28, 1:00 – 4:00 PM. See the signup sheet in the foyer.

## NEW ADULT BIBLE CLASS SERIES

Pastor Ed has begun a new Adult Bible Class series on the books of II Peter and Jude. Join us each week at 9:45 AM.

## FALL RETREATS AT IRONWOOD

- Marriage Retreat** – Oct 26-28 (Thurs-Sat)
  - Women Counseling Women** – Nov 13-16 (Mon-Thur)
  - On Target** – Nov 17-18 (Fri-Sat)
- Visit [www.ironwoodcamp.org/adult/](http://www.ironwoodcamp.org/adult/) for more information

