## The Value of a Smile

**Author Unknown** 

A smile is nature's best antidote for discouragement. It brings rest to the weary, sunshine to those who are sad, and hope to those who are hopeless and defeated.

A smile is so valuable that it can't be bought, begged, borrowed, or taken away against our will. You must be willing to give a smile away before it can do anyone else any good.

So if someone is too tired or grumpy to flash you a smile, let him have one of yours anyway. Nobody needs a smile as much as the person who has none to give.

#### I WALKED THE PATH

by A. C. WILLIAMS

I walked the path of suffering--I thought I was alone; But soon I learned that others had heartaches like my own. A legion came to join me--an understanding throng; To share and bear our burdens--heal suffering with song.

I found courage in their handclasp--I found patience in their calm; I found hope in faith's assurance--I found healing in their balm. I'm not alone in suffering--I'm not alone in tears; For those who weep with those who weep can wipe away my tears.

And too, when sore affliction comes--a dreary, rainy day;
I look inside my heart and find rich blessings stored away.
I take them from a treasure chest--and count them o'er and o'er;
And think how good God's been to men--why don't we trust Him more?

If all were sun and sunshine--if clouds would never weep; Would little flowers lift their heads--would sowers ever reap? The valleys down below us, but emphasize the heights; Low-hanging clouds about us are pierced with shafts of light.

If sickness never hindered, and pain ne'er wracked our frame; Would days of health be cherished, if suffering never came? In deeps of life's great ocean, may suffering be pearled; And in the days of reck'ning be a gem of heaven's world.



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### WELCOME!

Sunday Bible Class- 9:30 a.m.

Worship- 10:30 a.m.

Tuesday Ladies Bible Study- 10:00 a.m.

Wednesday Bible Study-6:30 p.m.

# All the churches of Christ greet you.

Romans 16:16

Today's Sermon: The Name Christian Says it All

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Scripture: 1 Peter 4:13-19

### ANNOUNCEMENTS / UPCOMING EVENTS...

- Wednesday Evening Bible Class: August 21<sup>st</sup>, either Arthur will continue with our study of Galatians.
- Next Potluck: August 25<sup>th</sup>. Next Sunday
- > 5th Sunday Regional Singing: September 29th. Venue TBA.



### **NEWS**

- **Jerry** will be having surgery to remove all the cancer he has on both his scalp and his forearm on the 26<sup>th</sup> of August in Towanda.
- Our **potluck dinner** will be next week (4<sup>th</sup> Sunday instead of the usual 3<sup>rd</sup> Sunday) because of the flurry of activities involving snacks and meals we have had in the last month.
- Mike and Nadine Huddleston sent their love from Farmington, CT, where they went to from here. They will be traveling to Clifton Park, NY to work with the church there next week.

## **PRAYERS**

- Prayers for follow up visits and calls to contacts made during our two recent door-knocking campaigns.
- **Doug and Darlene** have both been sick with sore throats and coughing.
- Pray for the success of Jerry's cancer surgery next Monday.
- Braxton Phillips, infant, needs a feeding tube because of a rare disease. We met his grandmother while door-knocking close to the church building.
- Continue to pray for Mark Elsbree, who needs a kidney donor soon, Andrea Lentz and Lori Kashorek, who have lung cancer, Erin Beiber, who has metastatic breast cancer, Ronnie Jones, who is recovering from a stroke, and Don Myers who is suffering from back pain and the effects of his pain medication.
- Pray for those of us who have people in our families who are yet unsaved or have strayed.

If you have any PRAYERS or NEWS that you would like included in the bulletin, please contact Sandy at <a href="mailto:barncat7237@gmail.com">barncat7237@gmail.com</a> or text or call (607) 261-0911.