

# WORD LIVING

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## OUR PURPOSE

Our purpose is to offer help to families with budgeting and planning. We assist families in obtaining knowledge and awareness of all human resources/ services available to them. We sponsor FREE seminars that coordinate various services to meet changing needs.

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## WELCOME TO WORD LIVING 2017 LEARNING FROM JOB – TRUSTING OUR GOD

**How the time passes so quickly and it's time to close another Word Living year until September.**

**The journey of Job has reminded us that there are times in our lives when we experience pain, sorrow, broken relationships and death of family members, sickness and other painful experiences that we do not understand. We ask God why, but may never know the answer.**

**What I do know is that every feeling we will ever experience, has been felt by someone before and recorded in the Bible. As we read, we know the power of our God, his ability to answer our prayers and carry us through, and it strengthens our testimony of his love for us.**

**Job did not know the plan of God, nor did he think people one thousand plus years later would be reading about him -- or that his actions would benefit our life today.**

**The most important lesson Job provides is an example of how we should face day-to-day issues and unexpected events.**

**Job faced his loss, worshipped God, and wrestled with the question, why? Job acknowledges the sovereignty of God without knowing what God would do.**

## **2017 THE DAY-TO-DAY BATTLE**

- **There is unrest around the world. People with signs protest in the streets. Local municipalities face limited resources. The educational systems at all levels is struggling to survive. The number of church buildings is growing yet the number of attendees is lower. Broken homes and families in debt add to the increasing class of the working poor. The future for the next generation is limited education, low paying jobs, and a rise in criminal activity that feeds into the cycle of poverty.**
- **There is a lack of true love and obedience for the word of God.**
- **Some do not believe in the Bible nor the birth, death, resurrection, and second coming of Jesus Christ our Lord.**
- **Selfishness, greed, lack of self-respect, and blatant lies are the norm.**
- **Satan no longer hides in the safety of darkness. He boldly walks the streets and reigns terror in the broad and open daylight.**
- **Truth is a moment-by-moment or whatever-fits-my-needs expression offered and subject to change without notice.**
- **Violence is a passion which feeds on an adrenaline rush that provides a feeling of excitement, fear, or anger, making the heart beat faster and the person feel more energized.**
- **Television, movies and everyday life events have desensitized people to an enjoyable craving to see and talk about the details of a horrific event, more so than the word of God and his love for us.**
- **In times past, we cried when we saw people hurting, starving, and/or homeless. Our hearts are hard with the thoughts of self and/or we are desensitized because we see it every day. We are not moved to help.**
- **How did we arrive at a point where we have no action to our love? How do we read Matthew 25:31-46, and ignore the consequences of our failure to obey?**
- **How do we think of self without regard to the needs of others?**
- **How long do we expect to continue before our Lord says enough?**

## **Morn the lost and worship God**

**The word morn means to show deep sorrow or regret about the loss or disappearance of something. Many times, we associate this word with death. However, the loss of a job, home, personal belongings due to a robbery or natural disaster can trigger a feeling of mourning.**

**When we read the story of Job, he responded to his loss in the action that Clarke's Commentary on Job 1 :20 says it best:**

**Rent his mantle - Tearing the garments, shaving or pulling off the hair of the head, throwing dust or ashes on the head, and sitting on the ground, were acts by which immoderate grief was expressed. Job must have felt the bitterness of anguish when he was told that, in addition to the loss of all his property, he was deprived of his ten children by a violent death. Had he not felt this most poignantly, he would have been unworthy of the name of man.**

**Next is the most important action. Instead of cursing God, which Satan said he would do, he adored God and gave him the glory of his sovereignty, of his justice, and of his goodness also in this most severe dispensation. Matthew Henry's Concise Commentary 1:20-22 Job humbled himself under the hand of God.**

**It is sometimes hard to understand the why of God's action. However, when we trust him in every aspect of our being, we can be at peace.**

**And we know that all things work together for good to them that love God, to them who are the called according to his purpose. Romans 8:28**

**We pray that the "Journey of Job" has blessed you and provided words to encourage you in our daily walk. Enjoy the blessings of the summer season. Should the Lord delay his coming, we will write again in September.**

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## Lord, Which Bill Do I Pay This Month?



**Call and schedule a group session  
and learn more about Financial  
Wellness.**

**We offer classes at no cost to those  
who attend. Why continue in debt?**

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## 42<sup>nd</sup> Annual United Conference for Women

**October 13 – 15, 2017**

**THEME: Keep It Moving! Seeking God's Prize**

### **SPEAKERS:**

Shannon A. Holmes, Danita Harris,  
Jodi Matthews, and Mahogany Jones

**Kalahari Resort & Conventions**

**Sandusky, OH**

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## **2017 WINTER SEMINAR**

Saturday, December 9, 2017

10:00 A.M. – 12:30 P.M.

### **ESTATE PLANNING**

### **“GETTING YOUR HOUSE IN ORDER”**

- ✓ What happens to your stuff when you die?
- ✓ Understanding Wills and Trusts
- ✓ Who has the legal authority to speak for you if you become ill?

### **WORKSHOP PRESENTER:**

Attorney David Covell

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**Health West (Formerly Muskegon County CMH)  
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