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Winners may pick up their prizes in the TLBC office.

First Chapel Message of the Quarter, by Pastor 'T'

As we start this new quarter, I want to give you a challenge and an encouragement. First Peter 4, verses 10 and 12 read, "10 Each one should use whatever gift he has received to serve others, faithfully administering God's grace in its various forms... 12 Dear friends, do not be surprised at the painful trial you are suffering, as though something strange were happening to you."

First the Challenge: Are you using the gift God gave you? You say you don't know what your gift is. You're here to find what that gift is. Well, let me tell you: you have a gift already, it might not be what you want, but it's what God wants for you, and He wants you to use

it. How? In ministering to others, your fellow classmates, and your family members. Pray for them, encourage them, help them.

Did any of you have a tough morning? Your car didn't start, you got a ticket on the way in...No matter what problems come your way you need to keep moving on. I have some students come to me and say, "Pastor T, it's too hard...I don't have the money...it shouldn't be this way. I'm a kid of the King." You're right it's hard. You're under attack from the enemy. God didn't say He would stop the fiery trials from happening to you, He said He would "see you through."

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Study Early by Angelica Morgan

For me, this last quarter was a challenge. I am easily distracted by things around me, and there were many distractions over the last several months. Whether it is my job, other classes, sleep, or even helping friends out, I tend to lose track of the subject I should be working on. This often causes my papers to be late or not done the way that I would have liked them to be done.

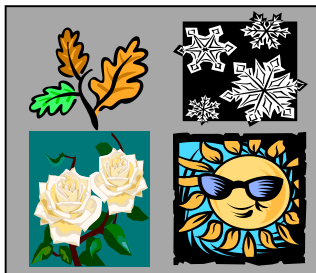
I learned something from this and it really helped me to realize what Trinity is really about. It's not about homework; it is about really finding out who you are and who you can become in Christ. The many classes that I have

been in since Fall 2006 have really helped shape and mold me into God's woman.

I have a saying that really helps me, "Everything happens for a reason." This saying has helped me with so many situations in my life. I try not to focus on the past but more on the future. This quarter helped me see that I was not fully applying myself as a student and that I needed to really focus on my work. These classes are very helpful and the things that are in the books are ...

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Life's Seasons by Jack Gonzales



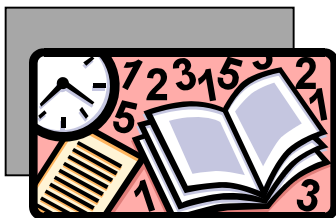
Have you noticed the effects of climate shifts each year? Sure we see and understand that the weather goes from hot to cold and cold to hot. But have we really ever noticed the personal results of climate change? As the seasons change, your clothes, hair, and even the places you go change. Why do we change some of these things? Well, sometimes it's because of habit: it's what we always have done. However, let me suggest that many of these changes are because of the necessity or desire to live comfortably.

It's the same way with your spiritual life. As most of us have seen, there are different seasons that we go through in our walk. There are times when we feel like we're in the desert wandering and times when we feel that we can't do anything right.

We have to understand that through all the various seasons in our life, God remains the same. Jesus is still your LORD and Savior and we can't let the seasons in our life cause us to become complacent or discouraged. When seasons change, we must make changes to our life. Understand that God hasn't changed, but is waiting for us to make the necessary changes in our life to honor Him and to follow Him.

There are many promises in the Bible and many of you may wonder, "Well, how do they apply to me?" They all apply to you. When you become a believer, you inherit all the promises of the Bible. This means that as each season comes into your life, take time to make the necessary adjustments, and make them with the promises of God over your life.

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... amazing information that I could have learned—if I had only focused more. However, if one does not focus on individual classes one will miss so much.

I want this article to be an encouragement to you, because I know of many other students out there who feel the same way. Many of you may feel like you did not try your best or did not apply as much as you should. But my

encouragement to you is: Winter Quarter is a new chance to start over and do things the way you wished you had this Fall Quarter.

Good luck in the Winter Quarter and remember to study and read your books early. Have a fresh start to be that excellent student that you know you can be.

GOD BLESS.

The Christmas Wreath, by Holley Gerth for DaySpring



Every Christmas wreath is more than just a decoration... it's a special reminder of Jesus, the reason for our celebration. The circle of a Christmas wreath is a never-ending ring, a reminder of eternal love from our Lord and King. The Christmas wreath is a sign of welcome, inviting all to enter in... a

reminder of Christ's invitation for all to come to Him. The middle of a Christmas wreath is a bare and empty space, a reminder of what life would be without Christ's love and grace. So, each time you see a Christmas wreath hanging from a door, may your heart rejoice in the One that Christmas is truly for!

“Man’s Best Friend” by Myung Hee Bae

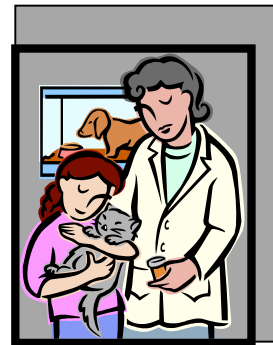
It has been said that a dog is man’s best friend, and many people have a close relationship with their pet. Some people treat their dogs, birds, cats, or other animals as members of their family. In my opinion, this is not a good idea. People should focus their energies on other people instead of spending too much time with animals.

The first problem with a close relationship with pets is that someone may choose to care for pets and exclude people. Pets can give comfort through their presence, feel like family to their owners, and they help alleviate loneliness. However, if one spends all their free time with animals, one tends to spend less time with people who are in great need of that attention.

Someone who spends too much time with animals may not develop close relationships with other people. Sometimes pets are easier to be with

than humans, but they can never be equal partners. We can tell our dog our problems, but our dog cannot give advice. Nor, can a pet help carry our burdens.

We need a close relationship with people and, more so, with God. While I’m not advocating neglect of one’s pets, as Christians we are called to spend our time and efforts in witnessing and evangelism. Some owners spend hundreds of dollars on supplies for their pets, while there are many children in the world who do not have clothes or food, much less toys. It would be better to give some of that money to help others. Therefore, I encourage you to check your priorities. Do not give pets more attention than they need. Save that attention for more important relationships.



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Don’t quit. Look around you. Do you see anyone missing here? Some have given up, but you can help change that, by encouraging them. Talk with them, and let them know tough times go with the territory. Don’t give up. God has a plan for you.

Each one of you has a gift. Whether it is preaching, playing an instrument, praying, or any of the many other God-given gifts, you need to use

your gift. Look at Andrew over here, soft-spoken Andrew. He hardly says a word in class, but here he is playing the drums for Chapel. He’s using his gift! What’s your gift; how are you supposed to be using that gift?

That’s it. No notes, no long sermon. Just be encouraged and step up to the challenge.

This article is an excerpt from the November 26th morning chapel.



*The wheat fields
are ripe for harvest.
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WOMEN OF TLBC

Please take a moment next week to fill out a survey regarding the TLBC Women’s Fellowship. Tell us what you think! Surveys will be available in Chapel and the TLBC office beginning Monday, December 3rd.



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Aim For God, by Joshua Mallery

*Therefore prepare your minds for action;
be self controlled; set your hope fully on
the grace that is to be given you when
Jesus Christ is revealed.*

1 Peter 1:13

I find that too many times I am setting my hope in worldly things and am forgetting about Christ and the grace I have been freely given. No matter what we face in our lives the only hope we really have is Jesus.

We may think that we can do things on our own, but our abilities have

very little to do with us. God is in control and it is within His grace that we operate. We have been given this grace, which is far more than our finite minds can know. Christ is going to return for His children and it is only by the Grace of God that we are able to be confident in knowing that we will go with Him when He comes. God is SOOOO GOOD!!!

Stay rooted in Him and always be ready to stand up for your faith. Christ died for us and we need to live for Him.

Rooted in Him,
Joshua Mallery

Remembering Those Fighting For Freedom

When you are making out your Christmas card list this year, please include the following:

A Recovering American Soldier
c/o Walter Reed Army Medical Center
6900 Georgia Avenue, NW
Washington, D.C. 20307-5001

Being Thankful Year Round

Thanksgiving is a great holiday. It is one of the few major holidays that the American retail system hasn't corrupted. However, the purpose of Thanksgiving should be kept throughout the entire year.

"Give thanks to the Lord, our God and King. His love endures forever." The words of this song ring in my mind. As God's love endures forever, our thanks to Him should also 'endure forever.' We need to fill our days with thanks to our Lord: for all that He has done and all that He continues to do.

Make your days a dedication to His love and mercies.

Blessings,
The Chronicles' Editor

