

Where Compassion Makes a Difference

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PASTORAL MESSAGE

Title: Teach Me | Text: Psalms 25:4-5

Theme: Three Reminders for a Teachable Person

1. Desirous Pursuit
—I must desire to learn and not be forced into it for any life-changing progress to be made.
2. Divine Professor
—I must confess that I need to learn directly from God and others He puts along my path.
3. Daily Patience
—I must realize that learning to wait on the Lord is one of the greatest lessons in my life.

OUTREACH FOCUS

Mark Ministries provides spiritual guidance for those needing emotional support, biblical encouragement, or spiritual counseling.

INTERESTING FACT

Pencil cores are a mix of graphite and clay, fired in a kiln at more than 1,472 degrees Fahrenheit. The misnomer (of the pencil) has had a lasting impact and people are still talking about pencil “lead.” —Readers Digest

HUMOR MOMENT

Q: What is the smartest insect in school?

A: The Spelling Bee

PRAYER REQUEST

Please pray as we are seeking wisdom for ministry partners and opportunities to further bring hope to hurting people.

MEMORABLE QUOTE

“Most of us are either temperamentally direct, bold, and persistent or we are gentle, calm, and deferential—but never both. Yet the wise learn to be both.” —Timothy Keller

BIBLICAL TRIVIA

To what city was Paul traveling when he was converted? (Acts 9:22)

- A. Oxnard
- B. Venice
- C. Damascus

JULY REPORT

- 7 sermons and Bible studies
- 10 funerals and memorial services
- 24 spiritual and grief counseling sessions
- 17 music therapy and support appointments
- 31 bereavement groups and seminars
- **35 decisions for Christ...Praise the Lord!!!**

MISSION STATEMENT

Mark Ministries is a non-profit 501(c)(3) community outreach organization whose goal is for people to experience God's love through grief counseling, spiritual guidance, and music therapy.