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The world's a big place. You can barely see the two people walking along the shore in this picture, but they are there.

Sometimes we feel that way; we feel very small in a great big world. We may seek power, to feel like we are more in control, but essentially, we hang at the fulcrum between life and death, death and life. We live at the edge of existence, somewhere between the beginning and the end.

I just went through an experience that abruptly demonstrated this to me. Sound asleep, I awoke choking. The lack of breath lasted more than two minutes and maybe three minutes. I was one minute away from entering that zone of respiratory arrest and possible cardiac arrest. My life did not flash before my eyes. I didn't see holy angels, devils, Jesus or Satan. I was absolutely alert, walking around, but no breath. I had no sense of the presence of the Holy Spirit, though I know well the power of His presence.

And then it was over. One minute between life and death. Now I know I live "on the edge," but I am still processing this moment in my life. What was I to learn?

Jesus is the beginning and the end, the alpha and the omega. On the continuum of life and death, Jesus is there. We don't need bells and visitations and pictures of fire shooting up from people's heads. We don't need pictures of little white round orbs to be interpreted as angels in our midst. We only need the Word. Jesus Christ is the Word Incarnate. We need our faith to be strongly and securely in Jesus Christ.

The moment of crisis, whatever form it takes, is not the time to repent. You may not be able to cry out. Asking God to forgive you for your sins will not be uppermost on your mind, if you're in the minute between life and death. So, whatever you need to do to "get right with God" must be done during the good times, the sooner the better.

Not only do you need to "get right with God," you also need to "get it right with God." All the loving on you at the local church will not cut it in the minute between life and death if you missed the truth, if you are sincerely wrong about what is the truth. Jesus said, "I am the Way, the Truth, and the Life." We only have this one life. We only have so many days on the planet. We better get it right—the truth—about the one true and living God, about Jesus Christ, about ourselves, about life everlasting. We better know why we were created, what we're doing here, and how to make it to where we go after we physically die. We have very little time to get it right.

I've traveled to 64 nations. Cultures vary a lot from one place to another. Culture and local customs can have more control over church life than the Word of God. We have to get it right. We have to get to the truth and separate eternal life and eternal truth from local culture, from the world system of thinking around us.

In the minute between life and death, where will you be?



Mark your calendars now. The next Power Lunch with Rev. Jackie Clanton will be Wednesday, July 25th, Noon to 1:30 p.m. Jackie will be speaking on the Holy Spirit. Ministry of the Holy Spirit follows the luncheon for those who want to stay. Every month the Holy Spirit has moved mightily, healing the sick, increasing the anointing, breaking yokes and bondages, and bringing people into the glory.

People can feel the presence of God when they walk into Craighouse, the anointing is so strong. As more and more anointed people of God keep coming to Craighouse, we see God doing more and more! Are you anointed? Desiring God? Join us!



Sundays celebrate grace with Rev. Jim Craig and me. Worship begins at 4:30 p.m. Prayer for the sick follows the service. The first Sunday of each month communion is served.



Tuesdays, from 1:00 – 3:00 p.m., Jackie Marcott, R.N. leads a Christian support group for those caring for the chronically ill. This time is important, and Jackie has lots of resources and practical help in handling stress, how to care for others, etc. Her expertise can also help anyone wanting to know how to plan for the future. So come and get the support you need for the burdens you carry.



Tuesday nights, 7:00 – 9:00 p.m. Rev. Jim Craig continues his in depth study of the work of the Holy Spirit in salvation. “The Heart of Evangelism” will help you understand how the Holy Spirit applies what Christ has accomplished in the elect.



Friday nights, 7:30 – 10:30 p.m., join Dr. Mary Craig as we explore the role of the prophets and the prophetic ministry today. This month's teaching will take you into current issues of prophetic ministry and how to discern true from false prophets according to Scripture. Worship and ministry of the

Holy Spirit follow the Bible study. This group is growing; and we're so happy many of you are bringing friends!



Saturday, July 21st, we have our Barnabas Project distribution in Belle Glade. Please refer to www.craighouse.org or to separate email flyers on this or call either Rev. Jim Craig or David Patten, Director.



Saturday, July 28th, there will be a fellowship dinner at Craighouse. 6:00 p.m. Bring food and friends. You can learn more about MCM overall at these dinners.

Don't waste your life.

“So teach us to number our days, that we might apply our hearts unto wisdom.”
Psalm 90.12

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