



Colonial Beach
BAPTIST CHURCH
A Lighthouse for God

Living Positively

*"I can do everything with the help of Christ who gives me the strength I need."
(Philippians 4:13 NLT)*

The cross is a plus sign in a negative world, changing everything for the better.

BE CHEERFUL IN A SAD WORLD – mute negative melancholy with unending music.

Dreary days and long nights mar happiness – circumstances can get you down.
Christ's friendship transcends happiness – *inner-stances* bring invulnerable joy.
Whatever the size of the harvest, whether the wine flows freely or not . . .

Near Me, there is sweet joy in the morning and calm peace in the evening.
Bread of life nourishes your soul; wine of joy inspires nocturnal melodies.
Even at midnight, you can learn to sing praise hymns that get others' attention.
Celebrate My pardon – your name is indelibly registered as a citizen of heaven.
Celebrate My presence – at My side, there's joy too wonderful for words. .
Celebrate My peace – the world system can't supply it . . . neither can it steal it.
Celebrate My promise – here's one thing for sure . . . I will never forsake you.

BE CALM IN A CHAOTIC WORLD – replace negative worry with unquestioning worship.

Do less "what-if" supposing and more "leaning-on-the-everlasting-arms" reposing.
I am in control – in charge behind scenes of chaos, orchestrating the grand finale.
Don't wring your hands in panic . . . fold your hands in prayer.
Though you can't define or explain it, you can experience heaven's gift of peace.
Climb into My hammock – feel the soothing wind of grace . . . relax in My arms.

BE CAREFUL IN A CARELESS WORLD – overcome negative ideas with unvarying truth.

Conscientiously guard thoughts entering your mind – what you think, you are!
Turn a deaf ear to the Devil's propaganda – his native language is lying.
Want to be a person of integrity? Then reflect on timeless truth.
Want to live honorably? Then meditate on honorable thoughts.
Don't fall for Satan's tiring old line that it doesn't matter what you think!

BE CONTENT IN A GREEDY WORLD –

Cancel negative whining with uncommon contentment.
Tranquility results from being, not having . . . contented people are the truly rich.
Learn to be satisfied in all situations by treasuring your relationship to Me.

BE CAPABLE IN A GRUELING WORLD –

Conquer negative despair by unflagging optimism.
You are weak, but I am strong – in relationship with Me, you can cope with life.
Quiet confidence in Me is the key to strength and the secret of perseverance.
In My power you can survive any situation, and do whatever I ask of you.
In My strength you are ready for anything the world throws at you.

BE CONFIDENT IN AN UNCERTAIN WORLD – destroy negative anxiety with undying hope.

Let Me have all your cares . . . then you can enjoy a carefree existence.
Nestle near your Shepherd's heart . . . then you will have everything you need.
Trust Me . . . then you will receive blessings you never imagined possible.

Celebrate the dynamic Mystery residing within your heart . . . LIVE POSITIVELY.



Whispers from Eternity

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