

**FRUSTRATION**

Have you ever been frustrated? The word “frustration” means: “The feeling of being upset or annoyed, especially because of inability to change or achieve something.” (Oxford Dictionary). I am confident we all have times when this feeling of frustration overtakes us.

About three months ago, my cell phone was dying so I went in and traded if for a new one. The new one had problems within the first week. After several weeks more problems arose and the provider replaced it with another one—the same make and model. Within a week it developed problems. We spent a total of more than seven hours talking with customer service reps. Now I am on my fourth phone. You talk about frustration. After threatening to remove my account and go with another provider the problem may be resolved. We will wait and see.

It is one thing to be frustrated by physical problems but it is another thing when God is a participant in the frustration. The Psalmist wrote: *You evildoers frustrate the plans of the poor, but the Lord is their refuge.* (NIV Ps 14:6). We cannot help but be frustrated when we look at the world we are living in. There are so many injustices and wrong doing that we become annoyed or upset realizing our inability to change things. I have to admit that it is very difficult for me to watch the news without becoming frustrated. But, this passage is a comfort. God is our refuge when we are frustrated. Paul quoted an old testament passage when writing to the Corinthians. *"I will destroy the wisdom of the wise; the intelligence of the intelligent I will frustrate*." (NIV1 Cor 1:19). Two important things about frustration. God will give refuge to those who are frustrated, and God will frustrate the wisdom and intelligence of the world.

When frustrated, let’s look to God for our refuge.

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***Welcome to our services*  SUNDAY Worship…………………………………9:30 AM Bible Class……………………………10:45 AM MONDAY Bible Study……………………………6:30PM WEDNESDAY Bible Study……………………..…..7:00 PM THURSDAY W.I.N.G.S. (Women In God’s Service) Ladies’ Bible Class…………….10:00 AM**

**Monday PM, Wednesday PM and Thursday AM classes will all meet in the West Annex for the present time**

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**Sermon: Complaining Or Thanksgiving?**

**Charles Murray**

Friday Christians



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