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Announcements

- The Lottie Moon Christmas Offering for international missions: Please prayerfully consider how much you can help the International Mission Board spread the gospel around the world!
- Sunday evening classes and Sunday School are temporarily suspended.
- Coming Soon: Reading through the Bible in a year together!
 - Please sign up today if you want to host a group.
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The One Necessary Thing

Introduction

• The One Necessary Thing is our relationship with Jesus Christ. Philippians 3:2-4:1; John 17:3.

Putting our relationship with Jesus Christ first in our lives yields:

Confidence, Philippians 3:9; Isaiah 64:6; Romans 3:20. **Righteousness,** Philippians 3:2, 9; Romans 3:21-26. **Power,** Philippians 3:10; Romans 8:11. **Perspective**, Philippians 3:8. "You can't go back and change the beginning, but you can start where you are and change the ending." C.S. Lewis

Motivation, Philippians 3:12, 14; John 17:3; Matthew 6:33, 7:7-11.

Invitation

Today, I will strive to know Jesus more by ...

This year, I will strive to know Jesus more by...

More Quotes by brother C.S. Lewis

"You are never too old to set a new goal or to dream a new dream." C.S Lewis

"There are far, far better things ahead than any we leave behind." C.S. Lewis

"I suggest to you that it is because God loves us that He gives us the gift of suffering. pain is God's megaphone to rouse a deaf world. You see, we are like blocks of stone out of which the sculptor carves the forms of men. The blows of his chisel, which, hurt us so much are what makes us perfect." C.S. Lewis

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The Feasts of Israel

Introduction

- Leviticus 23: The Feasts of Israel.
- God's calendar for Israel and schedule for Messiah
- Reference used: Rose book of Bible charts, maps, and time lines. Torrance, ٠ Calif: Rose Pub, 2005. Print.

The Sabbath

See Leviticus 23:3; Colossians 2:16-17; Genesis 2:2-3; Exodus 20:8-11; Romans 14:1-15:7; Acts 15:28-29; Hebrews 3:7-4:11; Matthew 11:28-29; Rev. 14:13, 21:1-4.

The Passover

- See Leviticus 23:4-5, Exodus 11-12; Psalm 22; Isaiah 52:13-53:12; John 1:29; 1 ٠ Peter 1:19; Genesis 22:8; Revelation 5:6.
- See "Beginnings" #16: "The Blood of the Lamb"

The Feast of Unleavened Bread

See Leviticus 23:6-8; Exodus 12:15-20; Matthew 16:6, 12; Mark 8:15; Luke 12:1; • John 6:25-59; Hebrews 4:15, 7:26; Isaiah 53:5.

The Feasts of Unleavened Bread and Firstfruits are now generally incorporated into the feast of the Passover.

The Feast of Firstfruits

 See Leviticus 23:9-14; John 12:20-26; 1 Corinthians 15:20-23; Romans 8:29; Colossians 1:18: Revelation 1:5.

The Feast of Weeks (Pentecost)

See Leviticus 23:15-22.; Acts 2; Joel 2:28-32; Jeremiah 31:31-34; Hebrews 9:14-15.

The Feast of Trumpets

See Leviticus 23:23-25; Matthew 24:31; 1 Corinthians 15:52; 1 Thessalonians • 4:16; Revelation 1:10; John 5:24-27; 2 Timothy 4:1; John 10:27-30; Revelation 20:11-15, 21:27.

The Day of Atonement

 See Leviticus 23:26-32, 16:8-34; Hebrews 9:11-28; Romans 3:21-25; Isaiah 66:7-14: Romans 11:26: Zechariah 12:10.

The Feast of Booths

 See Leviticus 23:33-43; Nehemiah 8:14-17; Isaiah 49:6; John 8:12; Isaiah 11:9; John 7:37-38; Zechariah 14:16-19.

Other feasts worthy of note:

- Rejoicing in the Law Leviticus 23:36. •
- Feast of Dedication (Hanakkuh) Maccabees; John 10:22-23.
- Feast of Lots (Purim) Esther 9:18-32.

Conclusions

- Repent and trust in Jesus Christ: Jesus Christ is the fulfillment of the feasts of ٠ Israel. The four spring feasts have been fulfilled at his first coming and Pentecost. The three fall feasts are partially fulfilled, and will be completely fulfilled at his second coming.
- Be encouraged: God is fulfilling his plans and purposes for humanity through Jesus Christ according to His great plan from before the foundation of the world.

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Blessings, Curses, and Grace

Deuteronomy 30:15-20; Hebrews 11.

Some major themes of the Old Testament

- Israel's struggle to be faithful in the covenant.
- God's faithfulness to bring blessings and curses to Israel.
- God's plan to bring one who will lead Israel in faithfulness and power the Messiah.

The Old Testament lays the groundwork for Jesus Christ

- To prove his identity and his purposes.
- To help His people understand the person and work of Jesus Christ.

God is faithful to fulfill all his promises to his people.

- Some of our promises include:
 - Salvation.
 - o Presence.
 - \circ $\;$ The Holy Spirit.
 - o Provision.
 - o Sanctification.
 - Resurrection.
 - Tribulation (You read that right).
 - o Discipline.
- And God works all things together to fulfill these promises. Romans 8:28, "And we know that for those who love God all things work together for good, for those who are called according to his purpose."

God still offers "life and good" or "death and evil."

- Which will it be for you? Life or death? Good or evil?
- Make your decision known to a fellow believer in Jesus Christ.

The Israelites were going into the promised land not because of their righteousness, but because of

1) promises to Abraham, Isaac, and Jacob;

2) judgment on the inhabitants of the land; (Deuteronomy 9:4-5)

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The New Covenant

Deuteronomy 30:1-10

The Old and New Covenants

- Israel would fail to keep the covenant. Deuteronomy 29:25, 30:1, 31:16, 31:20; Joshua 24:19; Jeremiah 11:7-10, 22:9; Isaiah 24:5; Hebrews 8:9;
- A New Covenant would come. Deuteronomy 10:16, 30:6; Jeremiah 4:4, 31:31-34, 32:40; Ezekiel 11:19, 36:26, 37:26; Joel 2:28-29; Isaiah 6:1-7; Acts 2; Romans 2:29; Hebrews 8:1-10:18; Matthew 26:28; 2 Corinthians 3:6, 11:25.
- Israel failed in the Old Covenant because it did not change their hearts. Dt. 29:4; Isaiah 6:9-10, 63:17; Matthew 13:11-15; John 12:37-40; Acts 28:26-27; Romans 11:7-10;
- The New Covenant would bring Obedience by the Holy Spirit changing hearts. Dt. 30:6, 10; John 14:15.

Obedience in the New Covenant

- A New Commandment: Love one another. John 13:34-35.
- Believe in God, and in Jesus Christ. John 14:1; Deuteronomy 6:5.
- He who loves Jesus keeps His commandments. John 14:15, 21-24; Deuteronomy 11:1, 13, 30:16.
- He will not leave us as orphans. John 14:18; Hebrews 13:5; Deuteronomy 31:6, 8; Joshua 1:5.

Applications

- Jesus is worthy of worship.
- Jesus is the only way to be saved.

Some Purposes of the Old Covenant:

- To reveal God.
- To reveal the problem: Sin.
- To provide a law code for Christ to fulfill. Matthew 5:17
- To provide prophecies for Christ to fulfill.
- To provide typologies and shadows of Christ to prove his identity and explain his person and work.
- To reveal the solution: Inner change initiated by God.

Some things to consider:

- How did Jesus fulfill the covenants through Adam, Noah, Abraham, Israel, and David?
- How did Jesus fulfill the role as priest? As mediator of a New Covenant (as Moses was to the old)? Hint: See the book of Hebrews!

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Open Heart, Open House

Acts 16:6-15

Introduction

- Acts 16:6-15: God directed Paul and his companions to where He was working in others, so they could reap a harvest of souls for His Glory. Here we learn some of the keys for being a part of such great things!
- Series: The Upward Call of God is to be like Jesus Christ. This sermon series is focused on the mindset and practices that produce progress in response to this call. It encourages us to strain forward to lies ahead, and to help others to do the same.

Be open to the leading of the Spirit of God.

Acts 2:17 from Joel 2:28. See also Numbers 12:6; Hosea 12:10; Zechariah 4:6; Genesis 40:8, 41:16; Dan. 2:28, 47; Revelation 1:10-11.

Be open to the opportunity to witness.

Romans 3:11; Ps. 14:1-3, 53:1-3; John 6:44, 16:8, 16:13; 1 Peter 3:15.

Be open to the Word of God.

Isaiah 55:11; John 12:32; 2 Timothy 3:15-17; Romans 10:13-15.

Be open to serving God's people.

- Love: John 13:34-35, 14:15.
- Hospitality: Romans 12:13; 1 Timothy 3:2, 5:10; Titus 1:8.
- Mission: Matthew 28:18-20; Ephesians 4:4-16; 1 Corinthians 12:12-30.

Applications

- Join in the upward call of Christ by beginning today: Be open to the Word of God that says life is found only in Jesus Christ.
- Be open to sharing your faith with others knowing that God is already at work in the hearts of many.
- Develop new habits that will help you to be open to the guidance of the Holy Spirit: Prayer, fellowship, reading and studying the Word of God, serving in your local church.
- Be open to serve in the way God has gifted you. You are called into a local body of believers to serve in your unique way and contribute to the upward call of believers in Jesus Christ.

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To All the Saints

Introduction

- The upward call of God is to be like Jesus Christ. This sermon series is focused on the mindset and practices that produce progress in response to this call. It encourages us to strain forward to what lies ahead and to help others to do the same.
- For background read Acts 16.
- Todays text: Philippians 1:1-11.

To All the Saints

- The title, "Saints," in the New Testament refers to ALL believers in Jesus Christ.
- EXTRA CREDIT: What does it mean to be "in Christ"? See Philippians 1:1, 1:26, 2:1, 2:5, 3:3, 3:9, 3:14, 4:7, 4:19, 4:21.
- Saints: Holy Ones. Those who are set apart or dedicated by God unto Him and His purposes.
- The journey begins with God. Philippians 1:6; 1 Corinthians 1:2; John 15:16.
- The journey ends with God. Philippians 1:6; Ephesians 1:13-14; 1 Corinthians 1:8; Psalm 57:2, 138:8.

The Journey Upward Includes

- Partnership in the gospel. Philippians 1:5
- Partaking of grace. Philippians 1:7
- Yearning and affection for the saints. Philippians 1:8
- Abounding love, Philippians 1:9
 - With knowledge.
 - And all discernment.
- Fruit of righteousness, Philippians 1:11
- Joy, Philippians 1:4, 1:18, 1:25, 2:2, 2:17-18, 2:28-29, 3:1, 4:1, 4:4-6, 4:10.

Invitation

- Make Paul's prayers your own. Philippians 1:3-11.
- Present yourself as a living sacrifice. Romans 12:1-2.
- Meditate upon what God has done for you, and pray for a proper response to it. Ephesians 1:3-14; 2:1-10.
- Seek wise counsel among his people. Proverbs 15:22, 11:14, 27:9.

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Thanksgiving

Philippians 1:3, 4:6, 4:17; 1 Peter 5:7; 1 Samuel 1:15; Psalm 34:5-7; James 1:16-18; Matthew 7:7-8.

Abounding Love

- Php 1:9; John 3:16, 13:34-35, 10:10; 1 John 4:7-12. Picture a flower going from bud to full bloom!
- Knowledge
- Discernment

Purity

The picture here is a purity that withstands examination in the pure light of the sun.

Blamelessness

1 Thessalonians 3:13, 5:23; 2 Peter 3:14; Ephesians 5:25-27.

Fruit of Righteousness

Psalm 1:3; John 15:2; Colossians 1:10; James 3:17-18.

To the Glory and Praise of God

John 15:8; 2 Thessalonians 1:12; 1 Peter 2:9, 2:12, 4:11; Ephesians 1:14; Psalm 86:9; Isaiah 60:21; Romans 11:36; 1 Corinthians 6:20; 1 Corinthians 10:31; Revelation 4:11.

Invitation: Pray for These Things

- Review this text and pray these things for yourself, for your church family, for your family and friends, for the lost people you know, for the leaders in your church, and for the saints around all the world.
- Thank you, Lord for the partnership of the saints in the gospel. Thank you for the work you are doing both in them and through them, and please bring it to completion. May they all abound in love with knowledge and all discernment, so that they may recognize what is right, and so be found pure and blameless for the day of Christ. May they be filled with the fruit of righteousness that comes through Jesus Christ so that you, Lord, may receive glory and praise.

Prayer is the soul's sincere desire, Uttered or unexpressed— The motion of a hidden fire, That trembles in the breast. Prayer is the burden of a sigh, The falling of a tear, The upward glancing of an eye, When none but God is near. —James Montgomery

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- For this session: Read <u>Philippians 1:12-26</u>, For background, Read <u>Acts 16</u>, <u>21-27</u>.
- **Today's Big Idea:** Believers should expect God to be working salvation for his people in every circumstance through advancing the gospel to them, growing them spiritually, and bringing them home.

Three senses of salvation are present in the Bible for believers in Jesus Christ:

- We have been saved, Past: <u>Romans 8:24</u>, <u>10:10</u>; <u>Ephesians</u> <u>2:5</u>, <u>8</u>; <u>2 Timothy 1:9</u>; <u>Titus 3:5</u>;
- We are being saved, Present: <u>1 Corinthians 1:18</u>, <u>15:2</u>; <u>2</u> Corinthians 2:15; <u>1 Peter 2:2</u>, <u>3:21</u>;

• We will be saved, Future: <u>Romans 5:9-10</u>; <u>1 Corinthians</u> <u>3:15</u>, <u>5:5</u>; <u>2 Timothy 4:18</u>; <u>Romans 13:11</u>; <u>1 Thessalonians</u> <u>5:9</u>; <u>Hebrews 1:14</u>, <u>9:28</u>; <u>1 Peter 1:5</u>;

Background: What happened to Paul?

- <u>Philippians 1:12</u>;
- <u>Acts 21-27</u>.

How It Advanced the Gospel:

- <u>Philippians 1:12-18</u>, <u>4:22</u>.
- Jerome in his work *Philemon* indicates that Paul's imprisonment resulted in some of Emperor Nero's household being converted. "Being by the emperor cast into prison, [Paul] became more known to his family, and turned the house of Christ's persecutor into a church."

How It Brought Paul Salvation:

- In Spiritual Growth: <u>Philippians 1:20</u>, <u>3:8-11</u>; <u>Colossians 1:24</u>.
- In Death: <u>Philippians 1:19-26</u>, <u>2:17</u>; <u>2 Timothy 4:6-8</u>.

Conclusions

- Lesson One: Adopt this mindset.
- Lesson Two: Stop waiting for the right situation to progress the gospel.
- Lesson Three: Start looking for God at work around you.

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United We Stand

Introduction

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- Today's Big Idea: The upward call brings believers together to strive side by side for the gospel cause.

Be Worthy Citizens

• <u>Philippians 1:27a</u>, literally, "only worthily of the gospel of Christ, act as a citizen."

Standing Firm Together

- "In one spirit" See <u>Romans 12:4-5</u>; <u>Acts 4:32</u>; <u>John 17:20-21</u>; <u>Ephesians 4:1-16</u>.
- "With one mind" See <u>Matthew 22:37</u>; <u>Acts 4:32</u>; <u>Philippians</u> 4:3; <u>1 Corinthians 1:10</u>.

Striving Side by Side

• See Philippians 4:2-3; 2 Timothy 2:5; Jude 3; 2 Timothy 4:7.

Engaged in the Same Conflict

• See <u>1 Thessalonians 2:2; 1 Timothy 6:12; Heb. 12:1</u>.

Philippians 1:27-30 (ESV)

²⁷ Only let your manner of life be worthy of the gospel of Christ, so that whether I come and see you or am absent, I may hear of you that you are standing firm in one spirit, with one mind striving side by side for the faith of the gospel, ²⁸ and not frightened in anything by your opponents. This is a clear sign to them of their destruction, but of your salvation, and that from God. ²⁹ For it has been granted to you that for the sake of Christ you should not only believe in him but also suffer for his sake, ³⁰ engaged in the same conflict that you saw I had and now hear that I still have.

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- Baptism next Sunday: Lydia Muniak.
- Ask about supporting Nathaniel Newcomer on his mission trip.

The Mindset of Humility

Introduction

- The upward call of God is to be like Jesus Christ. This sermon series is focused on the mindset and practices that produce progress in response to this call. It encourages us to strain forward to what lies ahead and to help others to do the same.
- Today's Big Idea: The humble servants of Jesus Christ glorify God by sacrificially serving the interests of others.

The Humble Servants of Jesus Christ...

Put others before self

- First, we must remind ourselves that Jesus Christ is clearly God. See John 1:1-4; Colossians 1:15; Hebrews 1:1-3; and Philippians 1:6, "he was in the form of God."
- "Let your attitude to life be that of Christ Jesus himself. For he, who had always been God by nature, did not cling to his privileges as God's equal, but stripped himself of every advantage by consenting to be a slave by nature and being born a man. And, plainly seen as a human being, he humbled himself by living a life of utter obedience, to the point of

death, and the death he died was the death of a common criminal." -- J.B. Phillips', The New Testament in Modern English, Philippians 2:5-8.

- Some Selfish attitudes: Satan, Isaiah 14:12-15 and Ezekiel 28:11-19. Adam, Genesis 3:1-7. Mankind, Genesis 11:4.
- "One another" attitudes: John 13:34-35; 1 Corinthians 13; Romans 12:10, 14:13, 15:14; 1 Thessalonians 5:11; Galatians 6:2.

Sacrifice themselves

• See Romans 6:12-23, 12:1; 1 Peter 2:5; Matthew 10:38-39; 16:24-25.

Are exalted by God

- Exaltation for Jesus: Mark 14:62; Luke 22:69; Matthew 26:64; 28:18; Psalm 110:1; Acts 2:33-34, 7:55-56; Ephesians 1:20; Colossians 3:1; Hebrews 12:2.
- Exaltation for believers: Luke 1:52, 18:14; Matthew 23:12, 28:18-20; Colossians 2:12, 3:1; Philippians 3:21; Ephesians 2:6; James 4:10; 1 Peter 5:6;

Glorify God

- The Father glorified by Jesus: Philippians 2:11; John 12:28-29, 17:1-3; Ephesians 1:3-14;
- The Father glorified by believers: Philippians 1:11; Matthew 5:16; John 15:8, 17:24; 2 Corinthians 9:13; Eph. 1:6, 12, 14.

Applications

- Humble yourself.
- Serve.
- Follow Jesus.

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Work Out Your Salvation

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- Today's Text: Philippians 2:12-18,
- Today's Big Idea: God wants us to use his power to bring forth good works from our salvation. We do this by obeying him in all seriousness, and with good attitudes, so that we can bear an effective witness to the world.

Work out your own salvation

- 1. We have been saved, Past: Romans 8:24, 10:10; Ephesians 2:5, 8; 2 Timothy 1:9; Titus 3:5;
- 2. We are being saved, Present: 1 Corinthians 1:18, 15:2; 2 Corinthians 2:15; 1 Peter 2:2, 3:21;
- We will be saved, Future: Romans 5:9-10; 1 Corinthians 3:15, 5:5; 2 Timothy 4:18; Romans 13:11; 1 Thessalonians 5:9; Hebrews 1:14, 9:28; 1 Peter 1:5;

Here in Philippians 2:12-13, Paul is speaking in terms of this present salvation - our sanctification - in which we glorify God by working with Him to accomplish His purposes in and through us. In this present stage of salvation, we progressively experience more and more of the blessings of salvation.

By the power of God

See Jeremiah 31:33; John 3:27; 1 Corinthians 15:10.

For His good pleasure

See Luke 12:32; Romans 9:16-18; Ephesians 2:10; 2 Thessalonians 1:11.

With fear and trembling

- "With fear and trembling" suggests that we take great care in obeying the commands of Christ knowing that our intentions are judged and our actions affect the reputation of Jesus Christ.
- See Acts 11:26, 26:28; Matthew 28:18-20; Psalm 2:11; Isaiah 66:2; Hebrews 12:28-29.

To shine as lights in the world

See John 13:34-35; Matthew 5:14-16.

Without grumbling or disputing

See Philippians 2:14-15, 4:2; Matthew 18:15-20; Romans 5:3-5, 8:18, 8:28; 2 Cor. 4:17; 1 Peter 1:6-7; James 1:2-4; Ephesians 4:29.

Holding fast to the word of life

See Philippians 1:27; Psalm 40:10; Luke 12:8; 2 Timothy 2:15-17; 1 John 1:1; 1 Corinthians 9:24-26.

Applications

- First, make sure it is God who works in you.
- Work out your own salvation with fear and trembling.
- Do all things without grumbling or disputing.
- Shine your light.

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March 21, 2021

Announcements

- Please prayerfully consider what you will give to support North American Missions in the Annie Armstrong missions offering.
- We will have a business meeting on Sunday, April 11th, 2021 after our morning worship service.
- Ask about supporting Nathaniel Newcomer on his mission trip.

Fellow Workers

Introduction

- The upward call of God is to be like Jesus Christ. This sermon series is focused on the mindset and practices that produce progress in response to this call. It encourages us to strain forward to what lies ahead and to help others to do the same.
- Today's text: Philippians 2:19-30; Important context: Philippians 2:1-18.
- Big Idea: Believers develop the mind of Christ by working out their salvation by serving the people of God in the interests of Christ.

They served

- Philippians 2:22, 25, 30; See also Acts 16:1-4, 14:6-23; Ephesians 2:10.
- Both of these men demonstrated the mind of Christ by putting the concerns of Christ and of His church ahead of their own.

• God calls no one to salvation without calling them into service.

The people of God

- Philippians 2:19, 22, 25, 30; See also John 13:34-35; Matthew 25:31-46; 28:18-20, 25:23; Luke 16:10.
- <u>Sovereignty</u> God has placed us where we can serve Him right now: Psalm 135:6; Acts 17:24-27; Ephesians 2:10; Revelation 4:11.
- <u>Love</u> Living out the commands to love God, neighbors, and one another requires that we serve: Matthew 22:37-40; John 13:34-35.
- <u>Judgment</u> Our service to the people of God will be an identifying mark in the final judgment, Matthew 25:31-46.
- <u>Commission</u> The Great Commission is the service of love whereby we bring those who will believe into the body of Christ, Matthew 28:18-20.

In the interests of Christ

Philippians 2:20, 21, 26, 30; See also John17:3; Acts 16:1-4, 14:6-23; 2 Timothy 1:5, 3:14-17; Matthew 25:23; Hebrews 12:2.

Applications

- Believe in Jesus Christ and repent of your sins.
- Serve right now, right where you are.

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Fellow Workers

Introduction

- Big Idea: The death of Jesus was unique in many ways, but none so profound as its purpose to save sinners.
- A death so unusual that his moment is recorded by all four gospels without using the word died.
 - Matthew 27:50, "yielded up his spirit."
 - Mark 15:37, "breathed his last."
 - o Luke 23:46, "breathed his last."
 - o John 19:30, "gave up his spirit."
- But it countless other places, it uses the word died to describe what He did.

The darkness

The three hours of darkness shows clearly that it was the wrath of God that was the true source of Jesus' agony. See

John 1:1-5, 29; Colossians 1:16-17; Hebrews 1:3; Romans 8:18-24; 2 Corinthians 5:21; Habakkuk 1:13.

The curtain

The tearing of the curtain shows that the death of Jesus made possible our access to God. See Exodus 26:31–33; 2 Chronicles 3:14, Hebrews 10:19-22.

The loud voice

Jesus crying out with a loud voice, "Father, into your hands I commit my spirit!" shows us clearly that Jesus laid down his life deliberately to accomplish these things. See Exodus 12:46; Psalm 22:17; Isaiah 52:13-53:12; John 10:11, 17-18; Psalm 31:5; Acts 7:59; Hebrews 2:9;

Responses

- Luke 23:48, the crowds.
- Luke 23:49, his acquaintances.
- Luke 23:47, the Centurion. See Matthew 27:54; Mark 15:39.
- What about you?

Since God put forth his only Son to bear the wrath of God against the sin of mankind, do you suppose you can get right with God in any other way? Have you trusted the Lord Jesus Christ?

What will you do in today in response to God's great gift of salvation?

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Easter Sunday, April 4, 2021

Announcements

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Fellow Workers

Introduction

Big Idea: As much as the resurrection of Jesus Christ proves the entirety of the Christian faith, the existence of the Christian faith proves the entirety of the resurrection.

What Does the Resurrection Prove?

- The Validity of the Christian Faith. 1 Cor. 15:17; Acts 2:24-36; John 16:10, 11; Rom. 1:4.
- The Success of the Work of Christ. Mark 14:62, 16:19; Acts 2:32-34, 5:31; Hebrews 1:3;
- The Truthfulness of the Scriptures. Psalm 16:8-11 as cited in Acts 2:27, 13:35; Psalm 22:19-22; Isaiah 53:10-12.
- The Truthfulness of Jesus Christ. Matthew 12:39-41, 16:4, 16:21; Mark 14:28; Luke 11:29-32; John 2:19, 5:21, 10:1-30.

What Proves the Resurrection?

- The Empty Tomb. Matthew 28:6; Luke 24:3, 23; Mark 16:5; John 20:6-7.
- The Linen Wrappings. John 20:6-8, 11:44, 19:40;
- They Eyewitness Accounts. Matthew 28:1-10; Luke 24:13-35; 1 Corinthians 15:5-8; Acts 1:21-22, 2:32, 4:33; John 19:35; Luke 1:1-4.
- The Transformation of the Disciples. John 16:32, 18:15-18, 25-27; Matthew 26:31, 56; Mark 14:27; versus Acts 2-5.
- The Existence of the Church. Acts 2:24-32, 3:15, 4:2; Matthew 16:15-20, 28:18-20.
- The Sunday Worship of Believers. John 20:19; Luke 24:1; Matthew 28:1; Acts 20:7; 1 Cor. 16:2; Rev. 1:10.

Response

- The Responses of People. Acts 17:18, 31-34; Matthew 7:13-14; 1 Corinthians 1:18-2:16.
 - o Some mocked
 - Others said, "We will hear you again about this."
 - \circ $\;$ But some men joined him and believed.
- Which group are you in?

Reading more about the resurrection:

- Theological significance: 1 Corinthians 15;
- The accounts in the gospels and Acts, including the Ascension: Matthew 28; Mark 16; Luke 24; John 20-21; Acts 1:1-11.

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April 11 2021

Announcements

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- Sunday even services will resume Sunday, April 18, 2021, at 6:00 PM!

Debits and Credits

Introduction

- The upward call of God is to be like Jesus Christ. This sermon series is focused on the mindset and practices that produce progress in response to this call. It encourages us to strain forward to what lies ahead and to help others to do the same.
- Today's Passage: Philippians 3:1-11.
- Recommended Readings: Galatians 1-2; Romans 8:1-17.

Debit: Works Righteousness

- Heritage
 - \circ $\;$ Circumcised on the eighth day:
 - Of the people of Israel:
 - Of the tribe of Benjamin:
 - \circ A Hebrew of Hebrews:
- Law
- Zeal, See Philippians 3:6; Acts 7:58, 8:1-3, 22:3-4; Galatians 1:13-14.

- Righteousness
- These are all debits if they are the source of our confidence.

Credit: Faith Righteousness

- This is the righteousness from God that depends on faith.
- The Benefits:
 - Worship by the Spirit of God, verse 3.
 - Glory in Christ Jesus, verse 3.
 - Knowing Christ and the power of His resurrection, verses 8, 10.
- See Philippians 3:8-10, 1:9; Colossians 1:9-10, 3:10; John 17:3; 2 Corinthians 4:6, 5:16-21; Hosea 2:20, 6:3; 2 Peter 1:2-8; Ephesians 1:17, 3:19, 4:13; Romans 8:11.
- "The Gospel is not a way to get people to heaven; it is a way to get people to God." John Piper

Forecast: Where Our Confidence Lies

- Put anything you are doing to earn God's favor in the debit column.
- Put the work of Jesus Christ in the credit column.
- In which one will you trust?

Target: The Most Important Goals

- Knowing Christ
- And the power of his resurrection. Romans 8:1-17.

Invitation

- In what am I placing my confidence?
- What am I striving for?
- What are my faith goals, and how will I achieve them?

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April 18, 2021

Announcements

- Please submit questions that you would like to have answered about the Bible, our faith, the culture around us, etc.
- Ask about supporting Nathaniel Newcomer on his mission trip.
- Sunday evening services will resume TODAY at 6:00 PM!

Pressing On, Philippians 3:12-17

Forgetting What Lies Behind

- Who we were: Ephesians 2:1-3; 1 Corinthians 6:9-11, 13:11; Philippians 3:2-6.
- What happened to us in Christ: Colossians 2:11-15; Ephesians 2:4-10; 2 Corinthians 5:17.

l Press On

 Philippians 3:6, 12, 14. "to seek after eagerly, earnestly endeavor to acquire." See Romans 12:13, 14:19; 1 Corinthians 14:1; 1 Thessalonians 5:15; 1 Timothy 6:11; 2 Timothy 2:22; Hebrews 12:14; 1 Peter 3:11.

For the Prize of the Upward Call

- See 1 Corinthians 9:24.
- The prize we strive for is the upward call of God in Christ Jesus, and it consists of so much, that no sermon can fully describe it. It is a call to know Jesus Christ, and the power of his resurrection. (Philippians 3:10)

- What are we called to in Christ? To salvation, Matthew 9:13; To repentance, Luke 5:32; To follow Jesus, Matthew 4:21; Freedom, Galatians 5:13; Hope, Ephesians 4:4; Unity, Colossians 3:15; Into His kingdom and glory, 1 Thessalonians 2:12; Holiness, 1 Thessalonians 4:7; 1 Peter 1:15; Salvation through sanctification, 2 Thessalonians 2:14; Eternal life, 1 Timothy 6:12; A holy calling, 2 Timothy 1:9; Endurance, 1 Peter 2:21; To bless others, 1 Peter 3:9; God's eternal glory, 1 Peter 5:10; God's glory and excellence, 2 Peter 1:3; To be called children of God, 1 John 3:1, Matthew 5:9.
- The Upward Call: God has called you upward. This is directional, not positional.
- See also Romans 11:29; Philippians 1:6; Hebrews 11:1-12:2; 1 John 3:1-2.
- The key motivation in our effort is found in Philippians 3:12, "because Christ Jesus has made me his own." We progress from a position of victory, motivated by the finished work of Christ, and His promises to us.

Invitation

- How will you respond to today's message?
- What steps will you take to keep your eye on the prize?
- What biblical role model (in addition to Jesus) inspires you to press on? What steps will you take to be more inspired?

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April 25, 2021

Announcements

- Sunday evening services have resumed at 6:00 PM every Sunday! Join us for more in-depth study of God's Word.
- Please submit questions that you would like to have answered about the Bible, our faith, the culture around us, etc.
- Join us for Communion service next Sunday, May 2, 2021.
- Please sign up for Microsoft Teams to help us communicate and share information more effectively. Contact Eric or Jessie for details.

Stand Firm Thus, Philippians 3:17-4:1

Introduction

- Past: Philippians 3:4-11. Paul was a more than exemplary • Jew, but he counted all acts of self-righteousness as rubbish compared to knowing Christ and the power of His resurrection. When he was converted, he received the righteousness of Christ.
- Present: Philippians 3:12-19. Presently he strives forward, ٠ forgetting what lies behind, and pressing on toward the goal for the prize of the upward call of God in Christ Jesus. We then should think this way, and follow his example to avoid the following the ways of the enemies of the cross.
- Future: Philippians 3:20-21. As citizens of heaven, we look ٠ forward to the return of our Savior, and our own glorious transformation

Enemies of the Cross

- Their god their belly. Philippians 1:15, 2:21, 3:19; Ephesians 2:1-3:
- Their glory their shame. Philippians 3:19; Galatians 6:13-15; Hosea 4:7.
- Their mindset earthly. Philippians 3:19; Romans 8:5; 1 Corinthians 3:10-15;
- Their destiny destruction. Philippians 3:19; Matthew 7:21-24; 2 Peter 2:1-3;

Citizens of heaven

- Our God the Lord Jesus Christ. Romans 10:13; John 20:28; Acts 2:36.
- Our glory Christ Jesus. Philippians 3:2-3; Romans 2:28-29;
- Our mindset heavenly. Philippians 3:20, 4:8; Colossians 3:2; 2 Timothy 2:4.
- Our destiny Christlikeness. Romans 8:29; 1 Corinthians 15:49; Colossians 3:10; 1 John 3:1-2.

Stand Firm thus

• Philippians 1:6, 1:27, 4:1; Psalm 125:1; Acts 4:24-31; Revelation 19:11-16.

Applications

- Embrace your citizenship. Philippians 3:20; Ephesians 2:6, 19; John 17:13-19.
- Think this way. Philippians 2:5, 3:15; Romans 12:1-2; 1 Peter 1:14-16; 1 John 2:15-17.
- Find godly examples to follow. Philippians 3:17, 4:9; 1 Corinthians 11:1; Hebrews 13:7; Psalm 37:37; Romans 16:17; 2 Thessalonians 3:14; Hebrews 6:12.

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May 2, 2021

Announcements

- Communion today at the end of the sermon. •
- For Sunday evening service: Please submit questions that you would like to have answered about the Bible, our faith, the culture around us, etc.
- Please sign up for Microsoft Teams to help us communicate • and share information more effectively. Contact Eric or Jessie for details.
- The nursery is empty and ready for remodeling. We will be repairing walls and painting. Volunteers are needed.

Agree in the Lord, Philippians 4:2-7

Today's Big Idea: The Upward Call is a call to move toward Christ together, being of one mind united in His body the Church.

Emphasis, Unity: Indicators that Paul was very concerned with the unity of this church:

- Specific passages on the issue: Philippians 2:1-4, 4:2-7.
- The recurring use of the idea of a unified mind or life. Philippians 1:27, 2:2, 4:2 (agree).
- The use of the prefix sun meaning "with" throughout the letter. (see bonus section below) Paul uses the idea to indicate togetherness between the church at Philippi with himself; all believers with one another; and all believers with Christ.

Paul's emphasis on unity is seen in Philippians 4:2-7 in five words or phrases: Agree, companion, help, labored side by side, fellow workers.

Common Lord - Jesus Christ, See Philippians 4:2, 2:2-3; Psalm 133; John 17; Romans 12:16-18; 1 Corinthians 1:10, 8:4-6; Ephesians 4:1-8.

Common Fellowship - the Church: See Philippians 4:3, 1:27; Hebrews 13:17; 1 Thessalonians 5:12-13; 1 John 1:1-7; Ephesians 2:19-22.

Common Labor - the Gospel: See Philippians 2:3; Ephesians 4:11-16; 1 Corinthians 16:15-16; 2 Corinthians 4:5; Romans 16:3-22.

Common Destiny – Life: See Philippians 4:3; 2 Corinthians 7:3; John 4:14, 5:21, 6:27, 10:28, 17:2; Ephesians 2:4-5; Isa. 4:3; Ezek. 13:9; Dan. 12:1; Heb. 12:23; Revelation 20:11-15.

Common Joy - in the Lord Always: See Philippians 4:4, 1:18, 2:17-18, 2:28, 3:1, 4:10; 1 Thessalonians 5:16; 1 Corinthians 12:26; John 4:36.

Common Advocate – God: See Philippians 4:5; 1 John 2:1; Romans 8:34; 1 Timothy 2:5; Hebrews 7:25; Job 9:32-33, 16:20-21, 42:8-10.

Common Peace - To Guard Us: See Philippians 4:7, 9; Isa. 26:3; Col. 3:15; John 14:27; 1 Thessalonians 5:13; Hebrews 12:14; James 3:17; Galatians 5:22;

Invitation: Reconcile. Rejoice. Pray. Enjoy.

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Bonus

Greek Word : σύν (sun, pronounced soon)

Used as a stand-alone preposition meaning "with" - 4 occurrences, Philippians 1:1, 1:23, 2:22, 4:21.

Words in the letter to the Philippian church that have sun as a prefix to indicate togetherness - 15 occurrences:

Philippians 1:7 - partakers; Philippians 1:27 - striving side by side;

Philippians 2:2 - in full accord (one life, one soul); Philippians 2:17 -

rejoice (with); Philippians 2:18 - rejoice (with); Philippians 2:25 -

fellow worker; Philippians 2:25 - fellow soldier; Philippians 3:10 -

becoming like (Christ in his death); Philippians 3:17 - join in imitating

(me); Philippians 3:21- to be like (our body like Christ's body);

Philippians 4:3 - companion; Philippians 4:3 - help; Philippians 4:3 -

labored side by side (same as 1:27); Philippians 4:3 - fellow workers; Philippians 4:14 - share (Paul's trouble);

Not included: Philippians 1:23 - hard-pressed; Philippians 4:2 -

Syntyche (proper name);

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May 9, 2021, Mother's Day

Announcements

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- The nursery is empty and ready for remodeling. We will be repairing walls and painting. Volunteers are needed.

Rejoice and Pray, Philippians 4:4-7

Rejoice

- Joy or Rejoice in this letter: Philippians 4:4, 1:4, 1:7, 1:12-18, 2:2, 2:17, 2:28-29, 3:1, 4:4, 4:10.
- In the Lord
- Always, See Psalm 33:10-11; Proverbs 19:21; Matthew 24:35; Acts 4:24-31.
- Again

Pray

- Do not be anxious about anything, See Philippians 4:6, 2:20; Matthew 6:25-34; Matthew 13:22;
- In Everything
- With all kinds of prayer

Peace

- Of God, See John 14:27, 16:33; Ephesians 2:17; Colossians 3:15; Isaiah 26:3.
- Surpasses understanding

- Philippians 2:3, 3:8.
- Will guard your hearts and your minds

Our example of all of this: Acts 4:24-31.

- Rejoicing: In Acts 4:24, 28, the congregation praises God for his Sovereignty and His creative acts.
- Prayer: In Acts 4:25-26, the believers cite Psalm 2, then in Acts 4:27-28, they apply it to their present situation based on the sovereignty they praised him for in Acts 4:24. Next, they gave their request that He would continue the work with boldness, Acts 4:29-30.
- Peace: When they finished, Acts 4:31, we find that God approved of their request by a great sign of shaking the place and filling them with the Holy Spirit, and granting their request to continue the work with boldness. Where's the peace? Read the following verses and see that these are not anxious people, they boldly continue "to speak the word of God with boldness," and share all of their earthly goods. This is a people doing the will of God, and there can be no greater peace between God and man.

Invitation

- These things are only possible for those who are in Christ, who have the Holy Spirit of God. So repent now of your sins, and trust in the Lord Jesus to save you. Ask for help going through this, and ask God to save you today.
- Paul gives all of this instruction assuming the context of a local congregation. Are you going it alone? We were not made to be alone in this. Join with a Bible-believing congregation today.

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May 16, 2021

Announcements

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Think about These Things, Philippians 4:8-9

Introduction

- Today's verses: Philippians 4:8-9.
- Big Idea: Rejoicing, prayer, and right thinking are the keys to taking on the mind of Christ, having the peace of God instead of anxiety, and maintaining unity in the gospel work.
- How these three things relate:
 - Rejoicing comes from the heart.
 - Thinking takes place in the mind. 0
 - Prayer connects heart and mind to God.
- Bookends to the command to "think about these things":
 - Verse 7: "The peace of God...will heard your hearts and your minds..."
 - Verse 9: "The God of peace will be with you."

Think

Think, dwell upon, consider, fill your minds with, etc. See Philippians 4:8, 1:9; Isaiah 26:3; Romans 15:14; 1 Corinthians 1:5; 2 Corinthians 10:5; Ephesians 1:17, 4:13.

About These Things

- True: In accord with reality. John 8:44; Romans 1:25; 2 Corinthians 4:4, 11:3; John 17:17; 1 John 5:6; 2 Thessalonians 2:11.
- Honorable: Worthy of respect; Dignified. Romans 12:17, 13:13; 2 Corinthians 8:21;1 Timothy 2:2, 3:4, 3:8.
- Just: In accord with God's righteous judgment. Deuteronomy 16:20; Proverbs 1:11; Micah 6:8; Colossians 4:1.
- Pure: Devoid of moral corruption. Psalm 101:3; Habakkuk 1:13; Matthew 5:8; 1 Thessalonians 5:22.
- Lovely: Acceptable or Pleasing to God. 1 Corinthians 13; Romans • 10:15.
- Commendable: Worth talking about. Philippians 1:27; Acts 21:22; 1 Timothy 3:7, 5:10; Titus 2:10; Hebrews 11:2.
- Excellence: Morally praiseworthy; virtue. Proverbs 31:10; 1 Peter 2:9: 2 Peter 2:5.
- Worthy of praise: Deserving of being talked about or commended. Philippians 1:11; Ephesians 1:12, 14; 1 Corinthians 4:5.

How do I control my thoughts?

- Control sensory input:
 - Limit your intake of secular material. See Romans 12:1-2; Ephesians 2:1-3; James 4:4. 1 John 2:15-17; 1 Corinthians 10:23; 2 Corinthians 6:14-7:1.
 - Increase your intake of godly material.
 - Be filled with God's Word. Psalm 19:7-9, 119:165; 1 John 3:3; John 17:17.
 - Address one another in psalms and hymns and spiritual songs. Ephesians 5:19; Colossians 3:16.
 - Rejoice and Pray. See Sermon #13 in the series.
- Change the heart:
 - Call upon the name of Jesus for salvation. Ezekiel 11:19, 36:26; Romans 10:9-13; John 3:3, 3:16-18; Romans 3:21-31; 2 Corinthians 5:17-21.

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May 23, 2021

Announcements

- Thank you to all our volunteers for our spring cleaning effort! The church building looks wonderful!
- Please sign up for Microsoft Teams to help us communicate and share information more effectively. Contact Eric or Jessie for details.
- The nursery is empty and ready for remodeling. We will be repairing walls and painting. Volunteers are needed.

Content in Every Situation, Philippians 4:10-13

Material support in proper perspective:

- 1. Gifts are greatly appreciated. Philippians 4:10, 14-16.
- 2. Giving yields a blessing. Philippians 4:17-18; Acts 20:35; Matthew 6:33.
- 3. At any given time, Paul is content without them. Philippians 4:10; 1 Timothy 6:6, 8; 2 Corinthians 9:8; Hebrews 13:5.

What Christian contentment is:

"Christian contentment is that sweet, inward, quiet, gracious frame of spirit, which freely submits to and delights in God's wise and fatherly disposal in every condition." — Jeremiah Burroughs

- It is a "Frame of Spirit": This is an inward matter of the soul that underlies all other aspects of personality, temperament, and affections.
- It "freely submits": Rather than rejecting circumstances, the contented one puts himself under the circumstances.
- It "delights in" the circumstances: Precisely because it is in these circumstances that God stands ready to accomplish His will in you.

"The righteous man can never be made so poor, to have his house so rifled and spoiled, but there will remain much treasure within. The presence of God and the blessing of God are upon him, and therein is much treasure." — Jeremiah Burroughs.

See also 2 Corinthians 4:7-12; Philippians 4:10-13, 18; Psalm 119:71; Ezekiel 7:9; 1 Corinthians 10:13; James 1:17.

What Christian contentment is not:

It is not a surrender to the circumstances, complacency, laziness, an absence of complaint, a burden, a call to do it alone, or an absence of emotion.

How to grow in Christian contentment

- Know that it is a command. Hebrews 13:5; 1 Timothy 6:6, 8;
 - "That to be well skilled in the mystery of Christian contentment is the duty, glory, and excellence of a Christian" — Jeremiah Burroughs

• Let Jesus Christ teach you.

- His total sufficiency for you. Psalm 18:2, John 1:16, Philippians 4:13.
- His love for you. 1 John 3:1, 4:9-10; John 15:13.
- The secret of self-denial. Isaiah 50:6, 53:7-10; Matthew 16:24; Philippians 2:6-11.
- The vanity of this life. Ecclesiastes 1-12;
- The proper relationship with this world. Hebrews 11:13; 1 Peter 2:11; 2 Timothy 2:3-4; Psalm 119:19;
- That he is the source of life itself. John 1:4, 3:16, 5:21.
- The nature of our own hearts. Jeremiah 17:9; Ezekiel 11:19, 36:26; Genesis 6:5; Matthew 15:19; James 1:14-15.
- What is truly necessary. Luke 10:41-42.
- His promises. John 6:40, 14:1-3, 14:18, 15:5.

Reference: Jeremiah Burroughs, 1599-1646, The Rare Jewel of Christian Contentment, https://chapellibrary.org:8443/pdf/books/rjoc.pdf

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May 30, 2021

Announcements

- For all our ladies: We will have a bridal shower for Jayna Winchester (Matthew Newcomer) on January 19th, 3-5 pm, here in the fellowship hall.
- Please sign up for Microsoft Teams to help us communicate and share information more effectively. Contact Eric or Jessie for details.
- The nursery is empty and ready for remodeling. We will be repairing walls and painting. Volunteers are needed.

Why We Remember, John 15:12-17

Introduction

- Should we celebrate this holiday? Galatians 5:19-23; 1 Thessalonians 5:16-18; Philippians 2:14, 4:8; 1 Corinthians 10:31; James 1:5.
- Today's text, John 15:12-17

Self-Sacrifice Is Admirable

- In this context:
 - Speaking of the disciples loving one another. John 13:34-35.
 - \circ Speaking of his own death for them. John 10:11.
- But it is a legitimate broader application to say that sacrificial service to your fellow human is pleasing to God. Leviticus 19:18; Matthew 19:19; John 15:13.

• We glorify God for all good that comes through human agents. See James 1:17; Romans 2:14-15.

Remembering Is Honorable

Philippians 4:8; 1 Corinthians 11:23-26; Matthew 26:26–28; Mark 14:22–24; Luke 22:19-20; Hebrews 11.

Remembering Is Wise

Romans 1:18; Psalm 2; Romans 3:19-26.

Invitation

- Give glory to God.
- Pray.
- Consider these things.
- Be a living sacrifice.

Notes

• A useful article on whether or not Christians should celebrate holidays is found here:

https://www.gotquestions.org/Christian-holidays.html

 Notes with hyperlinks to the scripture references can be found at <u>whitesrun.org/blog</u>.

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June 6, 2021

Announcements

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- Please sign up for Microsoft Teams to help us communicate and share information more effectively. Contact Eric or Jessie for details.

To God Be the Glory, Philippians 4:14-20, The Upward Call #16

Introduction

- Today's Passage: Philippians 4:14-20.
- Benediction "A statement of blessing or good wishes given at or near the end of a letter."* Philippians 4:19, "And my God will supply every need of yours according to his riches in glory in Christ Jesus."
- Doxology "A series of declarations of praise announcing who God is and what he has done - sometimes in the form of a song."* Philippians 4:20, "To our God and Father be glory forever and ever. Amen."
- * From the Lexham Glossary of Literary Types.

The Glory of God

Glory as an attribute of God: As an attribute of God, this refers to God's wonderful beauty and magnificence. "The singular splendor of God and its consequences for mankind."

(Baker Encyclopedia of the Bible) See Romans 3:23; Ephesians 1:3-23; Psalm 24, 29, 57:5, 66, 108:5, 79:9; Isaiah 42:8, 48:11; Romans 4:20;

Glory as the presence of God: See Exodus 13:21-22, 24:16-18, 33:18-23, 34:29—35; 2 Corinthians 3:7-18; 1 Samuel 4:21-22; 2 Chronicles 5-7; Psalm 26:8, 63:2, 85:9; Ezekiel 10:4, 18-19, 11:12, 12:1-15, 43:2-9.

The glory of Jesus Christ: See John 1:14, 17:1-10; Isaiah 4:2-6, 11:10, 40:2-5; Hebrews 1:3; Matthew 17:1-8; 2 Peter 1:16-17; Philippians 2:5-11; 1 Timothy 3:16; 1 Corinthians 15:39-43; Daniel 7:14; Hebrews 2:6-10; Revelation 5:12, 21.

God's Glory and God's People

God's people experience God's glory: See John 1:14, 16:7-14; Matthew 18:20; Romans 8:18, 21, 30; Philippians 3:21; Colossians 1:27; Jude 24-25; Colossians 3:4; 2 Thessalonians 2:14; 2 Timothy 2:10; 1 Peter 5:1, 10.

God's people glorify God: See Romans 15:6; 1 Corinthians 6:20, 10:31; Matthew 5:16, 48; Romans 5:1-3; 2 Corinthians 3:7-18, 12:9; Ephesians 1:12, 14, 17, 5:27; Colossians 1:11; Isaiah 43:5-7.

From the Westminster shorter catechism:

Question: What is the chief end of man? **Answer**: Man's chief end is to glorify God, and to enjoy him for ever.

Scriptures: 1 Corinthians 10:31; Romans 11:36; Psalm 73:25-28.

How will you respond today?

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Announcements

- For all our ladies: The Newcomers are having a bridal shower for Jayna Winchester (Matthew Newcomer) on June 19th, 3-5 pm, here in the fellowship hall. All ladies are invited. Please RSVP to Dawn.
- Pray for the Southern Baptist Convention this week: Discernment, wisdom, and faithfulness for the messengers and leaders.
- Don't forget about Sunday evening service at 6:00! It's a time for diving into the scriptures a little deeper to equip us for the work of the ministry.

Have you explored our web site?

Familiarize yourself with all we have at whitesrun.org. It's a great place to find sermons, sermon notes, and Bible study notes. It even has a devotional, contact information, and a hyperlinked statement of faith! Use it as a tool to introduce people to our church family.

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Rejoice in the Lord always; again I will say, rejoice. Let your reasonableness be known to everyone. The Lord is at hand; do not be anxious about anything, but in everything by prayer and supplication with thanksgiving let your requests be made known to God. And the peace of God, which surpasses all understanding, will guard your hearts and your minds in Christ Jesus. Finally, brothers, whatever is true, whatever is honorable, whatever is just, whatever is pure, whatever is lovely, whatever is commendable, if there is any excellence, if there is anything worthy of praise, think about these things. What you have learned and received and heard and seen in me-practice these things, and the God of

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June 20, 2021

Announcements

• **TONIGHT** @ 6:00 begins an 8-week *Basic Training Course* in evangelism. Ryan and Eric will guide us through this fun and biblical course to equip us to share our faith more confidently with the lost around us. See details to the right.

Why Are We Here? Mark 16:15

What is the primary reason I do not share my faith more often? How does my reason compare to these scriptures? Mark 16:15; Proverbs 29:25; 1 Peter 3:15; 2 Corinthians 6:2; Matthew 10:19-20; Luke 9:23; Galatians 5:11; 1 Corinthians 1:18; Romans 10:14; Proverbs 16:18; John 2:15-16.

I must examine myself. 2 Corinthians 13:5; Matthew 7:21-23.

Where will my church be in 5/10/20 years if we continue to do what we have for the past 5/10/20 years?

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Who do you know who isn't saved? Where will they go if they die without Christ?

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June 27, 2021

Announcements

- **TONIGHT** @ 6:00 continues an 8-week *Basic Training Course* in evangelism. Ryan and Eric will guide us through this fun and biblical course to equip us to share our faith more confidently with the lost around us.
- Next Sunday we will not have our 6:00 PM service in observance of Independence Day.

Preparing the Witnesses Acts 1:1-11

Foundational elements for the witnesses:

- The Commission. Acts 1:8; Matthew 28:18-20; Mark 16:15-16; Luke 24:47.
- The Resurrection. Acts 1:3, 1:22, 2:32, 3:15, 5:30-32; Luke 24:44-48; Romans 10:9-10; 1 Corinthians 15:1-8;
- The Teaching. Acts 2:42; Matthew 28:20; Romans 12:1-2.
- The Holy Spirit. Acts 1:4-5, 2:4, 4:8, 4:31, 9:17, 11:16, 13:9; Matthew 3:11; Mark 1:8; Luke 3:16; John 1:33, 14:16-16:15; Zechariah 4:6.
- The Ascension. Acts 1:9; John 14:1-3, 16:5-15; Hebrews 4:14-16; 1 John 1:9-2:2; Mark 16:19-20.
- The Return. Acts 1:11, 10:42, 17:31; Matthew 24:30; 26:64; Revelation 1:7; Luke 12:34-48;
- The Church. Acts 1:4-8, 1:14, 2:1, 2:44, 4:6, 5:12, 15:25; John 7:5.

Encouragement.

- Know that God's Kingdom has come and will prevail.
- See the victory of the church despite resistance and strife.

Invitation

- Repent of lukewarm attitudes and lack of action.
- Prayerfully read the book of Acts.
- Prayerfully consider your part in the body of Christ.
- Pray for compassion, boldness, confidence.
- Embrace the Great Commission and join with Jesus Christ and the Holy Spirit in changing lives.

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July 4, 2021

Announcements

- This evening we will not have our 6:00 PM service in observance of Independence Day.
- Next Sunday Night @ 6:00 continues an 8-week Basic Training Course in evangelism. Ryan and Eric will guide us through this fun and biblical course to equip us to share our faith more confidently with the lost around us.

Waiting Faithfully Acts 1:12-26

Fellowship: Acts 1:12-14, 2:1, 2:44, 2:46, 4:24, 5:12, 15:25; Galatians 3:27-28; Genesis 1:27; Luke 1:47; Matthew 13:55; Mark 6:3; John 7:5.

Prayer:

- What happens in Acts when praying? See: Acts 1:14, 1:23, 4:31, 6:6, 8:15, 9:11, 9:40, 10:2, 10:9, 12:5, 12:12, 13:3, 14:23, 16:13, 16:25, 22:17, 28:8
- C.S. Lewis, "Prayer in the sense of petition, asking for things, is a small part of it; confession and penitence are its threshold, adoration its sanctuary, the presence and vision and enjoyment of God its bread and wine. In it God shows Himself to us."

Bible Study: Acts 1:20; John 20:22; Luke 1:15, 1:41, 2:25; 2 Peter 1:20-21; Psalm 69:21, 25; Psalm 109:7-8.

Administration: Acts 1:16-26; 1 Corinthians 1:1, 4:9, 9:1, 15:7-9; 2 Corinthians 11-12; Galatians 1:1; 1 Thessalonians 2:6.

Obedience: Acts 1:4; John 14:15; Matthew 11:28-30.

Invitation

- Obey Jesus in the first things: "Repent and believe the Gospel." Mark 1:15.
- John 14:21, "Whoever has my commandments and keeps them, he it is who loves me. And he who loves me will be loved by my Father, and I will love him and manifest myself to him.
- "Obey Jesus in the basics: Fellowship, Prayer, Bible Study, Administration, Making Disciples.
- "Shall we expect a movement of God among us unless first we pray?" - Pastor Eric

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July 11, 2021

Announcements

- Sunday Nights @ 6:00 continues an 8-week Basic Training Course in evangelism. Ryan and Eric will guide us through this fun and biblical course to equip us to share our faith more confidently with the lost around us. Tonight – Part 3.
- ATM Meeting: July 25th, 2:30 pm, Sanders Baptist Church

At Pentecost Acts 2:1-13

Introduction

- Pentecost: Exodus 23:14-17, 34:22; Leviticus 23:9-21; Deuteronomy 16:9-11; 2 Chronicles 8:13; Acts 20:16; 1 Corinthians 16:8.
- Acts 1:8, "But you will receive power when the Holy Spirit has come upon you, and you will be my witnesses in Jerusalem and in all Judea and Samaria, and to the end of the earth."

The Presence of God

- The sound. Acts 2:2; John 3:8; Genesis 2:7.
- The tongues as of fire. Acts 2:3; Exodus 3:2; Leviticus 9:24, 10:2; Numbers 11:1, 16:35; Deuteronomy 4:24; Psalm 21:8-9; Isaiah 33:13-16; Zephaniah 3:8; Hebrews 10:27, 12:29; Revelation 11:5, 20:9.

The Power of God

• Acts 1:8, 4:33, 10:38; Luke 4:14, 24:49; 1 Thess. 1:5.

The Purposes of God

- Misconceptions about the primary purpose of the Holy Spirit
 - \circ $\;$ To give evidence of salvation by speaking in tongues.
 - \circ $\;$ To enable speaking in tongues in worship.
 - \circ $\;$ To give excitement or other good feelings.
- The primary purposes of the Holy Spirit are to glorify God in believers, and equip them to share the gospel.
- Acts 1:8, 2:17-21; Numbers 11:16-30; Joel 2:28-32; Jeremiah 31:31-34; John 16:13-15.

Encouragment

- "God wants people whose hearts are on fire. When the Spirit comes upon a person, He kindles that spark He starts a flame that consumes the heart, consumes the soul so that the affection that is borne in us that hour is to increase in its intensity as we grow in Christ. And the fuel for that fire is the Word, and prayer, and the sacraments." R.C. Sproul
- Repent, and trust in the Lord Jesus Christ for salvation.
- Determine this day to seek God, and to enjoy the empowering of the Holy Spirit.
- Seek opportunity to proclaim the truth of God.

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July 18, 2021

Announcements

- Sunday Nights @ 6:00 continues an 8-week *Basic Training Course* in evangelism. Ryan and Eric will guide us through this fun and biblical course to equip us to share our faith more confidently with the lost around us. Tonight – Part 4.
- ATM Meeting: July 25th, 2:30 pm, Sanders Baptist Church

At Pentecost Acts 2:1-13

Jesus Christ came and proved his identity.

Acts 2:22, 10:38; Mark 4:41; Matthew 16:16, 24:24; John 3:2; Luke 7:22; 24:19; 2 Corinthians 12:12; 2 Thessalonians 2:9; Revelation 13:14.

Jesus was crucified.

Acts 2:23, 36, 3:15, 3:18, 4:28, 5:30, 7:52; Luke 22:22, 24:20, Hebrews 9:22, 9:24-28, 10:10-14; Colossians 1:20; Isaiah 53; Psalm 22; Leviticus 17:11.

Jesus was raised from the dead.

Acts 1:8, 2:24, 2:32, 3:14, 4:10, 10:40, 13:30-34; Psalm 2:7; 16:8-11; Romans 1:4;

Jesus appeared to the disciples.

Acts 1:8, 1:22, 2:32, 4:33; 1 Corinthians 15:1-9;

Jesus ascended

Acts 1:9, 2:33-34, 3:21; John 14:2-4, 14:28, 16:7, 17:5, 17:13, 20:17; Hebrews 1:3, 9:24; 1 Timothy 3:16; Ephesians 4:8-10. Jesus sends the Holy Spirit

Acts 1:4, 2:1-23, 2:33, John 16:7; Galatians 3:14.

God made him Lord

Acts 2:34-36; Romans 14:9; 2 Corinthians 4:5; Matthew 28:18.

LORD in your Bible denotes Yahweh, the sacred name of the covenant-makig God. See Exodus 3:14. Lord in the Old Testament is also used of God. [Hebrew Adonai, Greek Kurios] The New Testament applies Old Testament scriptures containing both Yahweh, LORD, and Adonai, Lord, to Jesus in the New Testament.

God made him Christ

Acts 2:36; Matthew 16:16; Messiah; An "anointed" or "chosen" one.

Encouragements

- Jesus Christ must always be at the center of our proclamation of the Gospel.
- Be encouraged when you proclaim the Gospel that there is no higher authority than Jesus Christ who sends you.
- Jesus Christ IS Lord and Christ. So repent of your sins and believe in Jesus Christ alone for your salvation.

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July 25, 2021

Announcements

- No Sunday evening service next Sunday, August 1st.
- Sunday Nights @ 6:00 continues an 8-week *Basic Training Course* in evangelism. Ryan and Eric will guide us through this fun and biblical course to equip us to share our faith more confidently with the lost around us. Tonight – Part 5.
- ATM Meeting: TODAY, July 25th, 2:30 pm, First Baptist.

Biblical Preaching, Acts 2:14-41

Bible references in Peter's sermon.

- Acts 2:16-21 Quotes Joel 2:28-32.
- Acts 2:22-24, 32-33, 36 Summarizes the Gospels.
- Acts 2:25-28 Quotes Psalm 16:8-11.
- Acts 2:29-31 refers to King David as a historical figure familiar to his audience.
- Acts 2:34 Quotes Psalm 110:1.

Why the Word of God?

- God saves through His Word. 2 Tim. 3:14-15; Romans 10:13-14.
- God sanctifies through His Word. John 17:17; Ephesians 5:26.
- Jesus affirmed the Word of God. Matt 5:17-18; Luke 24:27, 32, 44-45; John 5:39; Deuteronomy 18:15.
- God Judges by His Word. Psalm 119; John 12:48; Matt 7:26; Dt. 18:15 listen to him!

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• God proves his Word by fulfilling prophecy. Deuteronomy

40:8; James 1:11; 1 Corinthians 2:6-13; 1 John 4:1-3.

Philosophy, psychology, "the science," religion?

preacher does not compromise the truth?

• God has chosen His Word to accomplish His will. Isaiah 55:11,

"Human history is the long terrible story of man trying to find

something other than God which will make him happy." C.S.

• How can we be sure that man's self-delusion is circumvented?

How can we be sure that the bias or the weakness of the

Rightly handle the Word of Truth. 2 Timothy 2:15.

Repent and believe the Gospel. Acts 2:38; Mark 1:15.

18:15-22.

What's the alternative?

Lewis.

Encouragements

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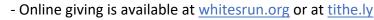
• See 2 Timothy 3:13-4:5.



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August 8, 2021

Announcements

- Sunday Nights @ 6:00 continues an 8-week *Basic Training Course* in evangelism. Ryan and Eric will guide us through this fun and biblical course to equip us to share our faith more confidently with the lost around us. Tonight – Part 5.
- **Food Pantry:** Don't forget to bring donations for the food pantry. A tote in the foyer is available to drop them off.

Commanding Preaching, Acts 2:36-41

Let this be known to you

- Acts 2:14, 22, 36, 4:19, 5:29; Matthew 28:18.
- "This is a test of the Emergency Broadcast System. The broadcasters of your area in voluntary cooperation with the Federal, State and local authorities have developed this system to keep you informed in the event of an emergency. If this had been an actual emergency, the Attention Signal you just heard would have been followed by official information, news or instructions... This concludes this test of the Emergency Broadcast System."

Know for certain

• Mark 14:44; Acts 2:36, 16:23, 17:11.

Repent

- The Gospel engages the whole person:
 - \circ $\ \$ Logos the mind "when they heard this"
 - o Pathos the emotion "they were cut to the heart"

• Ethos - the will - "what shall we do?"

 Acts 2:36-41, 3:19, 8:22, 17:30, 26:20; Matthew 3:2, 22:37; Mark 1:15, 6:12, 12:30; Luke 10:27; 13:1-5, 15:10; Revelation 2-3, 16:9, 16:11.

Be baptized

- Acts 2:38, 3:12-26, 5:29-32, 10:34-48; Matthew 3:11;
- Four essential elements of the salvation experience: Repentance, baptism, forgiveness, the Holy Spirit.

Save yourselves

• Acts 2:40, 2:21, 2:41, 2:47.

Encouragements

- Repent and believe the Gospel.
- Go and make disciples understanding your authority to do so.
- Know these things for certain.

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August 15, 2021

Announcements

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Continually Devoted, Acts 2:42-47

Church Membership

- Church: ekklesia literally, "those who are called out"
- Member: melos literally, "a limb"
- See Matthew 16:15-20, 18:15-20; Romans 6:13, 6:19, 7:5, 7:23, 12:4-5; 1 Corinthians 6:5, 12:12-31; Ephesians 2:19, 3:6, 4:25, 5:30.
- Today's text: Acts 2:37-47.
- <u>A simple definition of a church member</u>: One who believes the Gospel, responds with repentance and baptism, and becomes actively involved in ministry with others who have done the same.

Prescriptive or Descriptive?

• **Prescriptive**: The activity in the narrative is commanded for all Christians elsewhere in scripture, so the activity is prescribed.

• **Descriptive**: The activity in the narrative is not commanded for all Christians elsewhere in scripture, so the activity is merely described.

Church Activities

- The Apostles' Teaching: Acts 8:35, 17:2, 17:11, 18:24, 18:28; 2 Timothy 3:14-17; Romans 15:4; 1 Corinthians 15:3-4; 2 Peter 1:20-21; Luke 24:27-32, 45; John 5:39, 17:17.
- The Fellowship: Acts 1:14, 2:1, 2:42, 2:46; Hebrews 10:24-25; John 13:34-35, 17:11, 17:21-23; Psalm 133:1-3; Ephesians 4:1-3; 1 John 1:3; 1 Thessalonians 5:14.
- The Breaking of Bread: Refers to the Lord's Supper, which was commonly observed at any of their meals together, Acts 2:46. See also Matt. 26:17–30 Mark 14:22–24; Luke 22:19, 20; John 13:1–4; 1 Corinthians 11:20-34.
- The Prayers: Acts 1:14, 2:42, 4:31, 6:4; Romans 12:12; Ephesians 6:18; Colossians 4:2; 1 Timothy 2:1; Jude 20; Matthew 6:5-15.

Continually Devoted

 Acts 2:23, 36, 42; Matthew 16:18; Genesis 6:5; Romans 3:10-18; Ephesians 2:1-10; Colossians 1:21-22; 1 Corinthians 6:9-11.

What I learned and resolved today:

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By Faith in His Name, Acts 3:1-26

There Was a Miracle

- Healing comes with the Kingdom. Isaiah 29:18; 35:5-6; Malachi 4:2; Matthew 15:30; Mark 1:34.
- As sickness is typical of (and a result of) sin, so also physical healing is typical of spiritual healing. See Isaiah 1:6, 6:10, 53:5 with 1 Peter 2:24. Also Genesis 2:17, 3:19; Romans 6:23; James 1:15.
- God accompanies the teaching of Jesus and the Apostles with signs and wonders, including healing, to prove the validity of the message - that Jesus came to save sinners. See Matthew 9:1-8, 11:2-19; Mark 2:3–12; Luke 5:18–26, 7:18-23; 1 Timothy 1:15.
- But now that we have the Word of God. We have transitioned to a time when the emphasis of the Gospel is on the Word of God, having already been proven by the initial signs and wonders. Romans 10:13-17; Galatians 3:2, 5; Luke 16:29-31; 1

Corinthians 1:18-19; 1 Thessalonians 2:13; 1 Peter 2:23-25; John 20:29, 17:20.

- In the end, false signs and wonders will be a tool for the antichrist and his predecessors. Matthew 24:24; Mark 13:22; Acts 8:9; Deut. 13:1–3; 18:15-22; 2 Thess. 2:9–11; Rev. 13:13-14; 16:14; 19:20.
- However, we should always pray for healing, for all healing is from God, and all healing is miraculous. James 5:14-15.

There Was a Sermon

• See Acts 3:11-26; Romans 15:19; 1 Cor. 2:3-5; 2 Cor. 12:12; 1 Thessalonians 1:5.

There Were Results

- The man was healed.
- Peter and John were arrested. Acts 4:3
- Many believed, and the total number of disciples came to about five thousand. Acts 4:4

Encouragements

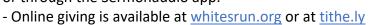
- Ask God to save you.
- Walk, and leap, and praise God.
- Offer what you have.

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August 29, 2021

Announcements

- September 5th @ 2:00, Amos and Michelle McKinney invite you to attend their Vow Renewal Ceremony!
- Eliza Broadus Offering for Kentucky state missions is coming soon. Prayerfully consider how you will help support missions in Kentucky. September 12-19 will be the annual week of prayer for Kentucky missions.
- Sunday Nights @ 6:00 continues an 8-week *Basic Training Course* in evangelism. Ryan and Eric will guide us through this fun and biblical course to equip us to share our faith more confidently with the lost around us. Tonight – Part 7.
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Encouraging Preaching, Acts 3:11-26

Introduction

- Today's Text: Acts 3:11-26;
- Peter's two-fold invitation:
 - For national repentance and conversion, Acts 3:17-21, 24-25;
 - For individual repentance and conversion, Acts 3:23, 26.
- See also Acts 7; Romans 9-11, 11:4; 1 Kings 19:18; Hebrews 11; Luke 19:41-44; Daniel 9:24-27; Matthew 23:37-24:2.

God is Patient.

Acts 3:17; Matthew 9:36, 17:17, 21:23-27; Luke 23:24; 2 Peter 3:8-9; Psalm 86:15, 103:8; Galatians 5:22.

God is Forgiving.

Acts 3:19; Psalm 32:1-2; 1 Timothy 1:15; Romans 4:7-8; 2 Corinthians 5:19.

God is Refreshing.

Acts 3:20; 2 Timothy 1:16; 2 Samuel 16:14; Isaiah 60-61.

God is Restoring.

Acts 3:21; Romans 8:21; Matthew 17:11; Genesis 3:14-19.

God is Working.

Acts 4:4; John 17:20; Isaiah 55:11; Romans 10:14-17; Psalm 32:6.

Have you repented of your sins and trusted in Jesus Christ for your salvation?

What aspect of His refreshing do you need right now? What do you most look forward to at His coming?

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September 5, 2021

Announcements

- **TODAY, September 5th @ 2:00**, Amos and Michelle McKinney invite you to attend their Vow Renewal Ceremony!
- Bands and Barbecue: Join us as we share the gospel at Bands and Barbecue. Friday, September 10th 8pm-10pm, Saturday, September 11th 11am-1pm and 8 pm-10pm, or any other time you want. Contact Pastor Eric for details.
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No Other Name Acts 4:1-22

The Scene

Acts 4:5-6, First the Sadducees who controlled the council and do not believe in the resurrection. Also other rulers and elders.

Then the high priests: Annas, Caiphas, and family.

The Question

Acts 4:7, "By what power or by what name did you do this?"

The Answer

Acts 4:10, "By the name of Jesus Christ of Nazareth."

This Jesus: You crucified. Acts 4:10. God raised from the dead. Acts 4:10. Was rejected by you. Acts 4:11. Is the cornerstone. Acts 4:11. Psalm 118:22. Is the only way of salvation. Acts 4:12.

Some Lessons

- Filled with the Spirit, God's people can face any foe.
- Being Filled with the Spirit: Luke 1:15, 1:41, 1:67; Acts 2:4, 4:8, 4:31, 9:17, 13:9, 13:52; Ephesians 5:8.
- See also: 1 Corinthians 12:13; Ephesians 1:13, 2:18, 2:22; Matthew 3:10-11; Luke 3:9-16.
- Most people in positions of power and influence do not yield it to God.
- The true gospel must be preached to everyone.
- If we preach the gospel, many will believe.
- Even faced with obvious miracles, some will refuse to believe.

Exclusivity

- Is absolutely true, but is a difficult subject.
 - Difficult because of mankind's rebellion to God.
 - Difficult because of the popular illusion of "progress."
- Jesus taught the exclusive nature of Himself.
 - Exclusiveness as expressed by Jesus: Matthew 11:27; John 3:18, 6:53, 10:7-9; 14:6, 17:3, 18:37. In John 17:3 the definition of eternal life is knowledge of Jesus and the Father.
 - See also: John 4; Matthew 19:16-29.
- And the Apostles continued to teach the exclusiveness of Christ.
 - See 1 John 5:12; 1 Timothy 2:5; Galatians 1:6-9; Revelation 3:5, 13:8, 17:8, 20:11-15, 21:27.

The Relevance of this Teaching Today

- We live in a pluralistic society.
- Our desire for religion shows our need for God.
- Our desire for a religion other than Jesus Christ shows our rebellion.
- Deny exclusivity and we deny Jesus
- All religions cannot lead to God
- Make a decision about Jesus Christ

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September 12, 2021

Announcements

- **Today**: WRBA ATM Meeting here at Whites Run Baptist Church. Fellowship 2:00; Meeting 2:30.
- Eliza Broadus Offering for Kentucky state missions is coming soon. Prayerfully consider how you will help support missions in Kentucky. September 12-19 will be the annual week of prayer for Kentucky missions.
- Sunday Nights @ 6:00 begins a new series, "What in the World Is Going On?"
- **Food Pantry:** Don't forget to bring donations for the food pantry. A tote in the foyer is available to drop them off.

Why Do the Nations Rage? Acts 4:25-31

Today's texts: Acts 4:5-31; Psalm 2; Isaiah 46:8-10.

God's People Choose Faithfulness

- Hebrews 11:1 "1 Now faith is the assurance of things hoped for, the conviction of things not seen." Greek: πίστις = faith; πιστεύω = I believe.
- Faithfulness can be thought of as the consistent acting out of one's faith (beliefs).
- Persecution was predicted by Jesus: Matthew 10:16-25; John 15:18-21, 16:33; Acts 14:22; Revelation 1:9.
- The faithfulness of the disciples: Acts 4:19-20, 5:29; John 6:68; Luke 19:11-27; Matthew 24:36-25:46.

God's Opponents Choose Vanity

- See Psalm 2.
- Understand the myth of neutrality. Luke 9:49-50, 11:14-23; Ephesians 2:1-3.
- Understand the motives of the evil one. John 8:44, 10:10, 12:31, 14:30, 16:11; Matthew 4:1-11, 13:39; Acts 5:3; 1 John 3:8, Ephesians 2:2, 6:12; Revelation 12:9-10, 20:10; 1 Peter 5:8;

God Executes His Plans

- Acts 4:24-30.
- See Psalm 2, 18:50, 20:6, 45:7, 89:20 about the Anointed (Messiah) of the line of David and *His* inevitable success!
- See also Isaiah 46:8-10.

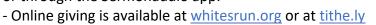
Encouragements

- Be encouraged that God is in control.
- Be with Jesus.
- Pray for boldness.
- Trust in Jesus Christ.

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September 19, 2021

Announcements

- Eliza Broadus Offering for Kentucky state missions is currently under way. Prayerfully consider how you will help support missions in Kentucky.
- Sunday Nights @ 6:00 "What in the World Is Going On?" Join us to understand what is going on in the world and how the church can not only survive, but thrive.
- **Food Pantry:** Don't forget to bring donations for the food pantry. A tote in the foyer is available to drop them off.

Give and Take Acts 4:32-5:11

The Giving

- The urge to give is a reminder of our situation.
 - That there is scarcity reminds us that we live in a fallen world, cursed by sin.
 - That we desire to do something about it reminds us that the law of God is written on our hearts.
 - That we struggle whenever we try to do something about it reminds us that each of us is corrupted by sin.

The sharing was:

- A free sharing of personal property with others in need.
- Voluntary, not compelled by a governing authority.
- Not an abolition of private property.
- Generous.
- Limited to the context of the believers.

This sharing fulfilled:

• The biblical ideal of a people without poor among them. Deuteronomy 15:4-11.

- Jesus' command to love one another. John 13:34-35.
- Jesus' promise to provide for the needs of His people. Matthew 6:25-34; Mark 10:29-30.
- Jesus' redefinition of the family as the people of God. Matthew 12:46-50.

But what about tithing? (Giving our first 10%)

- Tithing precedes the law. Genesis 14:20.
- The New Testament never tells us to stop tithing as it does with circumcision. Luke 11:42.
- Tithing is still an exercise of faith. Malachi 3:6-12.
- Tithing should be a starting point for a Christian.
- Christians should give generously and cheerfully toward the needs of others and the work of the ministry. 2 Corinthians 9.

The Taking

- Their crime seemed to be ...
 - \circ Lying to God (the Holy Spirit), thus putting him to the test.
 - \circ $\;$ An act of insincere worship. See Matthew 6:1-24.
- God often makes examples of "first-offenders" to show His holiness. See Nadab and Abihu in Leviticus 10:1-2; Achan in Joshua 7:1-26; and Uzzah in 2 Samuel 6:1-11. Each was an act of worship.

Encouragements

- Observe Christ's provision and love for His body, the church.
- Examine your own motives in your service to the Body of Christ.
- Make your needs known to the church.
- Pray for cheerful generosity.

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September 26, 2021

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- Sunday Nights @ 6:00 "What in the World Is Going On?" Join us to understand what is going on in the world and how the church can not only survive, but thrive.
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Opposing God Acts 5:17-52

Is Constant

- Opposition to the gospel is predicted by Jesus. John 15:18-21, 16:33; Matt. 10:22; 24:9; Acts 5:41; 1 Pet. 4:14, 16.
- Opposition to the gospel is displayed all through time. Romans 8:36; Luke 13:34; Acts 7:52.
- Opposition to the gospel is spiritual. Ephesians 6:12-13; 2 Corinthians 10:4; Colossians 1:13-14; 2 Corinthians 4:4.
- Opposition to the gospel is global. Ephesians 2:1-3; 2 Corinthians 4:4; John 12:31, 14:30, 16:11.

Is Irrational

 Acts 5:17, 7:9, 13:45, 17:5. Contrast Acts 2:47, 5:13. See also James 3:14, 16. "If you're telling the truth, you do not need to censor your opponents, you merely need to refute them." - Dr. James White

Is Futile

Acts 5:35-39; See also Matthew 16:18; Romans 8:31-39; Prov. 21:30; Isa. 8:9-10; Nah. 1:9; Psalm 2.

Encouragements

- Stop opposing God.
- Jesus Christ is always building His church. Matthew 16:18; 1 Corinthians 1:18-25; 2 Corinthians 4:7-12; Romans 10:9-17.
- Pray for boldness. Acts 4:29.
- Stay there until they throw you out.

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October 17, 2021

Announcements

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Servants of the Church, Acts 6:1-7

The Problem

- A lapse in Care. Acts 6:1, 2:44, 4:32, 24:17; 1 Corinthians 16:1-4; James 1:27; Dt. 15:4, 11; Isaiah 1:17, 23;
- A Sin of Partiality? Acts 6:1, 2:5; Galatians 3:28; Colossians 3:11; James 2:1-9;
- A Lack of Love and Faith. John 13:34-35; James 2:15-17.
- A Threat to the Apostles' Priorities. Acts 2:42; Acts 6:2, 4, 7; Ephesians 4:11-12;

The Solution

- Pick out from among You. Acts 6:3.
- Men of Good Repute, Full of the Spirit, and of Wisdom. Acts 6:3; 1 Timothy 3:8-13.
- Whom We Will Appoint. Acts 13:2-3, 14:23.
- Deacons. Acts 6:1-7; 1 Timothy 3:8-13; Philippians 1:1. From a root meaning to serve, we find "distribution" in verse 1; "to serve" in verse 2; and "ministry" in verse 4. From context,

Acts 6:1-7; 1 Timothy 3:8-13; and Philippians 1:1; refer to the office, while other occurrences simply refer to anyone who serves.

The Result

Acts 6:7, "And the word of God continued to increase, and the number of the disciples multiplied greatly in Jerusalem, and a great many of the priests became obedient to the faith."

The Lessons

• This shows us the heart of Christ. Matthew 6:33; Ephesians 5:28-30; Deuteronomy 15:4, 11.

"The local church is the context in which Jesus Christ meets the needs of the members of His body."

- Meet the Needs of One Another.
- Avoid Partiality in Ministry.
- Bring Your Needs to the Congregation.

One need I have discovered today: _____

One need I have made know today: _____

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October 24, 2021

Announcements

- Sunday Nights @ 6:00 "What in the World Is Going On?" Join us to understand what is going on in the world and how the church can not only survive, but thrive.
- Food Pantry: Don't forget to bring donations for the food pantry. A tote in the fover is available to drop them off.

Following Jesus, Acts 6:8-8:4

Introduction

- Stephen's sermon shows from the scriptures the Israelite pattern of rejecting God and ignoring His predictions of the future Messiah.
- R.C. Sproul, "No man was ever more loving than Jesus Christ, yet even His love made people angry."

Stephen Was...

- Of good repute. Acts 6:3. ٠
- Full of the Spirit. Acts 6:3, 10, 7:55. ٠
- Full of Wisdom. Acts 6:3, 10; 1 Corinthians 1:18-2:16. ٠
- Appointed to serve. Acts 6:3-6. ٠
- Full of Grace. Acts 6:8, 7:60. ٠
- Full of Power. Acts 6:8, 10. ٠
- Doing great wonders and signs. Acts 6:8. ٠
- Slandered. Acts 6:11-14. ٠
- Innocent. Acts 6:15. .

- Bold. Acts 7:2-53.
- Skilled in the scriptures. Acts 7:2-53, 7:42-43, 7:49-50; Amos 5:25-27; Psalm 11:4; Isaiah 66:1-2.
- Right. Acts 7:51-53.
- Faithful. Acts 7:55-56; Psalm 72:14, 116:15.
- Killed. Acts 7:60, 8:1, 22:20; Romans 1:32. •
- Like his Savior in his death. Acts 7:60.

Stephen's actions precipitated...

- The rage of the opposition. Acts 7:54, 57-58, 8:1, 3.
- The spread of the gospel. Acts 8:2, 4.
- The saving of many souls. Acts 8:4-40. •
- The approval of his Savior. Acts 7:55-56, 59-60; Matthew 25:21. •

Encouragements

- Understand and trust Jesus' love for His people.
- Do not reject the continuing witness of God. ٠
- Faithfulness is God's standard for His people. •
- Faithfulness is rewarded with the glory and presence of God. ٠
- God will see to the results.
- Go and make disciples.

Check out the true story behind the hymn, "I have decided to follow Jesus."

https://believersportal.com/the-true-story-behind-the-hymni-have-decided-to-follow-jesus/

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October 31, 2021 Happy Reformation Day!

Announcements

- **Sunday Nights @ 6:00** "How we trust the Bible" How did we receive the Word of God? How can we be confident in it?
- **Food Pantry:** Don't forget to bring donations for the food pantry. A tote in the foyer is available to drop them off.

The Advancing Gospel, Acts 8:1-25

Background on Samaritans: The Northern Kingdom of Israel was defeated by Assyria in 722 B.C. They scattered many of the Israelites there and settled foreigners in the land in their place. See 2 Kings 17:24-41 for a description of the origin of "Samaritans." Samaritans were despised by "true" Israelites in the days of Jesus and the Apostles. See also Acts 8:4-25, 9:31, 15:3; John 4; 2 Kings 23:19; 2 Chronicles 30:10-11; Jeremiah 31:5; Ezra 4:1-6; Luke 9:51-56, 10:30-37, 17:11-19; Matthew 10:5-6.

The Advance

- This is a fulfillment of Acts 1:8. Just as Jesus predicted.
- See also Acts 1:8, 6:5; Matthew 28:18-20; Acts 28:30-31.

The Resistance

- Signs that Simon did not believe:
 - o 21 "You have neither part nor lot in this matter."
 - o 21 "Your heart is not right before God."
 - 22 "Repent...of this wickedness"
 - 22 "The intent of your heart"
 - o 23 "Gall of bitterness"

- o 23 "Bond of iniquity"
- o 25 "Pray for me..."
- See Ephesians 2:1-3; Matthew 12:24-30.

The Reinforcements

- Acts 8:12-17, the Samaritans heard, were baptized, received the Holy Spirit later by the laying on of hands.
- Acts 2:38, Peter preached, told the crowd to repent, be baptized, and they will receive the Spirit. Here, Peter is only describing what to do and what will happen. He is not making an absolute chronology.
- Acts 10:44-48, the Gentiles heard Peter's preaching, received the Holy Spirit, and then were baptized.
- Here in Acts 8, God withheld the Holy Spirit from the Samaritans until it could come through the Apostles themselves from Jerusalem. This made the source of the true gospel clear, and unified the church, fulfilling Jeremiah 50:4-5.
- Salvation comes by hearing the Gospel, Romans 10:8-15, the drawing of God, John 6:44, 65, and the believing of the hearer, Mark 1:15, 16:16; John 1:12, 3:16-18, 11:25-27, 20:30-31. The Spirit is at work all through this process, John 3:3-8, 6:63; and all who believe receive the Spirit, Romans 8:9, John 14:17. Then the true believer obeys by getting baptized, Matthew 28:19, Acts 2:38.

The Results

Joy! Acts 8:8, 39. (Zeph. 3:14ff.; Joel 2:21 ff.;, Zech. 9:9–10). Psalm 5. See also Luke 1:14, 10:20, 13:17, 15:5ff, 18:43, 24:52; Acts 5:41.

Encouragements

- The Gospel is freely offered to everyone.
- You are in his hands to bear fruit.
- $\circ \quad \ \ {\rm Salvation} \ {\rm is exclusive to Jesus Christ.}$
- The resistance is irrelevant.

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November 7, 2021

Announcements

- **Sunday Nights @ 6:00** "How we trust the Bible" How did we receive the Word of God? How can we be confident in it?
- **Food Pantry:** Don't forget to bring donations for the food pantry. A tote in the foyer is available to drop them off.

A Divine Appointment, Acts 8:26-40; Isaiah 53.

Way: God brings opportunities to the faithful.

- Luke enjoys the intervention of angels. See Luke 1:19, 1:26, 2:9, 12:8-9, 15:10, 16:22, 22:43, 24:23; Acts 5:19, 10:3, 12:7, 12:23, 27:23. See also Hebrews 1:14.
- Philip's background: Part of early church Acts 2:42-47. One of the Seven Acts 6:5. An Evangelist Acts 21:8. Considered by his peers "of good repute, full of the Spirit and of wisdom," showing himself faithful to proclaim the gospel, Acts 8:5ff.
- Encouragement #1: Be in a position to expect opportunities from God.
- See 1 Peter 3:15; Luke 16:10; Matthew 25:21;

Word: The Word of God is the primary raw material of evangelism.

• God saves by the power of His Holy Spirit, the truth of His Word, and the witness of His faithful children. These three, and nothing less.

- See Romans 10:17; John 6:63; 1 Corinthians 15:3-5; Isaiah 53, 55:11; Acts 8:28-35.
- Encouragement #2: Learn to rightly handle the Word of Truth.

Water: True faith bears the fruit of obedience.

- See Acts 8:36; Matthew 28:18-20; Mark 1:15; Romans 6:3-6.
- Encouragement #3: Take the next step in obedience to Jesus Christ.

Worship: Recognize God's goodness in this process.

• Encouragement #4: Know that God will give you whatever you need to fulfill his will.

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Saul of Tarsus Arrested, Acts 9:1-30.

Enemy of Christ

- <u>Paul's biography before Christ</u>: Acts 7:58, 8:1, 9:1-2, 22:3-5; Romans 11:1; 2 Corinthians 11:22; Galatians 1:13-14; Philippians 3:4-6.
- Encouragement #1: Make an honest biblical assessment of your life.

Salvation of Christ

- See Matthew 19:16-30; John 6:44; Romans 3:10-12, 6:13, 6:23; Ephesians 2:1-10.
- Encouragement #2: Realize that all salvation is the miraculous intervention of God.

Church of Christ

• Encouragement #3: Submit to a local church of Jesus Christ.

Servant of Christ

- <u>Paul's biography after Christ</u>: Acts 9:3-31, 11:25-26, 12:25-28:31; Galatians 1:11-2:14; Philippians 1:12-18, 2:17, 3:7-11; 1 Corinthians 15:1-11; 2 Corinthians 11:22ff; 2 Timothy 4:6-7.
- Encouragement #4: Take the next step of faith to serve in your local church.

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Healing, Resurrection, Salvation, Part 1, Acts 9:32-43.

Healing

- The purposes of miracles
 - Endorsement of the message
 - See Matthew 9:5-6; John 10:37-38; Mark 16:20; Acts 4:29-30, 6:8, 8:6, 14:3, 15:12, 19:11; Rom. 15:19; 1 Cor. 2:4-5; 2 Cor. 12:12; Heb. 2:3-4.
- Mercy and Compassion
 - See Matthew 8:16-17, 14:14, 20:34; Luke 7:13; John 11:34-38.
- Does God still heal?
- Pray for healing. Prepare for eternity. James 5:13-15.

Resurrection

See Acts 9:36-43; Matthew 9:18-26; John 1:3-4, 11:25, 20:30-31.

Salvation

Next Time

Encouragements

- Come to Jesus Christ for life.
- Bring the hurting to the church.
- Pray for opportunity and faith.

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Why the Virgin Birth? Luke 1:26-38

Who:

- Gabriel: See Daniel 8:16, 9:21; Luke 1:19, 1:26.
- Mary: A virgin, betrothed to a man of the house of David. See Genesis 3:15. Isaiah 7:14.
- Joseph: A man of the house of David. See 2 Samuel 7:1-17, Psalm 110:1-4.
- Holy Spirit: The agent of conception.
- Jesus Christ: The child, in this passage called Jesus (Jehovah is salvation), King in the line of David (implied), Son of the Most High, holy, the Son of God. See Genesis 3:14, 12:1-3, 49:10.

What: "You will conceive in your womb and bear a son, and you shall call his name Jesus." Luke 1:31.

When: In the sixth month of Elizabeth's pregnancy, Luke 1:26, 36.Where: A city of Galilee named Nazareth, Luke 1:26; Matthew 2:23, 4:15; Isaiah 9:1-2.

WHow: "The Holy Spirit will come upon you and the power of the Most High will overshadow you," Luke 1:35, Zechariah 4:6-7, Matthew 1:12, Luke 3:27.

Why Was a Virgin Birth Necessary?

- Jesus could not have a human father, or else he would inherit the guilt and condemnation of the sin of Adam, like we all have. He would thus not have been a perfect sacrifice. (See Hebrews 4:15,7:26, 9:28; 1 Pet. 2:22; 1 John 3:5.) Jesus was in essence a "new Adam," and our invitation is to join His line through faith.
- We have the guilt and condemnation of Adam imputed to us, Romans 5:12-21:
 - "Sin came into the world through one man, and death through sin, and so death spread to all men because all sinned...many died through one man's trespass...And the free gift is not like the result of that one man's sin...because of one man's trespass, death reigned through that one man...one trespass led to condemnation for all men...by the one man's disobedience the many were made sinners." [Romans 5:12-21 selected, emphasis added]
 - So we inherit the sin and guilt of Adam, because Adam was our federal representative in the creation covenant. The same kind of argument is used in Hebrews 7:9-10 to indicate that in Abraham, the future Israelite priests effectively tithed to Melchizedek, showing his priesthood to be superior to their own.
- The promise of the Gospel is that we can be adopted into this new line by faith in Jesus Christ, so we may inherit that which belongs to the only Son of God rather than that which belongs to Adam. See John 1:12-13.
- The virgin birth therefore was predicted form the beginning. See Genesis 3:15, and understand the Hebrew word for "offspring" means more fundamentally "seed" which refers to the man's contribution in human reproduction.

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The Magnificat, Luke 1:39-56

There are three hymns in the birth narrative:

- The Magnificat, Luke 1:46-56.
- The Benedictus, Luke 1:68-79.
- The Nunc Dimittis, Luke 2:29-32.

Today: A contrast between the groups on either side of the division that Jesus causes. See Luke 2:14, 2:34, Isa. 8:14; Matt. 10:34, 21:44; John 9:39; 1 Cor. 1:23-24; 2 Cor. 2:16; 1 Pet. 2:8-9.

The Proud

- Scattered, Luke 1:51. See Psalm 33:10; Isaiah 8:10: Emmanuel; Isaiah 36-37; Daniel 4:37; James 4:6, 10.
- Brought down, Luke 1:52. See 1 Samuel 2:1-10, 17; Psalm 2.

- Sent away empty, Luke 1:53. See Matthew 19:16-30; Psalm 107:41, 113:6-8;
- They have no fear, and receive no mercy, Luke 1:50. See Exodus 20:3-7; Proverbs 9:10, 15:33.

The Humble

- Magnify, Luke 1:46. See Psalm 34:2-3, 69:30; Acts 10:46; 19:17; 1 Samuel 2:1-10.
- Rejoice, Luke 1:47. See Isaiah 61:10; Psalm 35:9; Habakkuk 3:18.
- Are looked upon, Luke 1:48. See Psalm 138:6, 139; Luke 9:38; Romans 8:28.
- Are called blessed, Luke 1:48.
- Have had great things done for them, Luke 1:49.
- Receive mercy, Luke 1:50. See Luke 18:9-14.
- Are exalted, Luke 1:52. See Psalm 107:40-41, 113:7-8; James 4:10.
- Are filled, Luke 1:53, 6:20-26. See Psalm 34:10, 107:9.
- Are helped, Luke 1:54, 1:72-73. See Hebrews 2:16; Isaiah 44:21, 49:3; Psalm 98:3; Micah 7:20.

Encouragements

- Humbly receive the glad tidings of Christmas. See Mary as an example, Luke 1:38.
- Announce the coming of the Messiah Christ, Jesus our Lord. Invite others to receive Him. John 1:12.

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The Benedictus, Luke 1:57-79

There are three hymns in the birth narrative:

- The Magnificat, Luke 1:46-56.
- The Benedictus, Luke 1:68-79.
- The Nunc Dimittis, Luke 2:29-32.

A Hymn of Praise to God

 Benedictus - The first word of the song in Latin meaning "blessed."

Fulfillment of the Prophecies/Promises of God

- Interpreting prophetic fulfillment:
 - Interpret the Old Covenant implications. Ask, "What does this mean in terms of God's covenant with Israel?"

- Interpret the New Covenant implications. Ask, "What does this mean in terms of God's New Covenant in Jesus Christ?"
- See Genesis 3:15, 12:1-3; Jeremiah 31:31-34; Malachi 4:6.

Encouragements

- Understand your role, and the role of your local church, in the unfolding of these promises of God.
- Celebrate Christmas as not only the memorial of past events, but also as a present reality with great future implications.

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January 2, 2022

Announcements

- WRBA ATM Meeting: January 9, 2:30 PM, First Baptist Carrollton.
- **Sunday Nights** @ 6:00 Join us for in-depth Bible study and interactive learning!
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Nunc Dimittis, Luke 2:21-35

Three hymns in the birth narrative:

- The Magnificat, Luke 1:46-56.
- The Benedictus, Luke 1:68-79.
- The Nunc Dimittis, Luke 2:29-32.

Initial Observations

- Jesus was fulfilling the law of Moses. Matthew 5:17-18; Galatians 4:1-7; Genesis 17; Exodus 13:1-2; Leviticus 12.
- Jesus was expected by some of the faithful Jews. Luke 1:6, 1:68-79, 2:25, 2:38, 23:51; Isaiah 25:9, 40:1; Malachi 3:16.
- A traditional Jewish prayer is, "May I see the consolation of Israel."

Praise

- For keeping promises. Genesis 3:15, 12:1-3; 2 Samuel 7; Jeremiah 31:31-34.
- For salvation. Luke 2:30.

Prophecy

- Old Testament allusions:
 - "for my eyes have seen your salvation" Luke 2:30, 3:6; Isaiah 52:10.
 - "that you have prepared in the presence of all people" Luke 2:31, 24:47; Psalm 98:2.
 - "a light for revelation to the Gentiles" Luke 2:32; Isaiah 42:6, 49:6, 52:10, 60:3; John 8:12; Acts 13:47, 26:23.
 - "and for glory to your people Israel" Luke 2:32; Isaiah 45:23, 46:13.
- Conceptual implications:
 - "for the fall and rising of many in Israel" Luke 1:34; Isa. 8:14; Matt. 21:44; John 9:39; 1 Cor. 1:23-24; 2 Cor. 2:16; 1 Pet. 2:8-9.
 - "and for a sign that is opposed" Luke 1:34; Acts 4:26-27, 28:22;
 Psalm 22:6-8, 2:1-3, 69:9-12; Isaiah 8:18.
 - "so that thoughts form many hearts may be revealed" Luke 2:35;
 1 Chronicles 28:9; Psalm 139:23; Hebrews 4:12; Revelation 2:23.
- Personal implication:
 - "and a sword will pierce through your own soul also" Luke 2:35; John 19:25.

Encouragements

- Praise the Lord. Let Him and others know how you feel about what He is doing.
- Fill yourself with the Word of God until you overflow.
- Seek opportunities to encourage and to be encouraged.

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