

Teen News

Good morning! I'm glad to see each of you here today. I hope each of you had a good week at school. The holidays are coming soon and I know that you are excited about this. The election is finally over and its time to start watching Christmas movies! Don't forget about the Single and Singles Again Luncheon on Sunday November 20th. Be sure to make plans to help with this. I hope to see you all tonight.

Ben

Plan to be with us tonight for worship at
6 P.M.

Sermon Topic: "ENDURING FRIENDSHIP"

Who's Important?

There's a story of a newly elected politician who went to our nation's capital to get acquainted with the place. At the home of a high ranking senator he was trying to get the feel of this great city and all he anticipated he would be able to accomplish. He greatly admired the prominence of his host and spoke of his grandiose intentions and plans. Somewhere, back in his mind, he even entertained the possibility of actually running things in the country from the White House. As they looked out over the Potomac River, they noticed a log floating down stream. It was rotten, old, deteriorating, obviously of no worth. The older senator remarked to his young friend, "You know, that log is about a perfect example of what this city is, and what our nation is becoming." "How's that?" asked his young friend. "Well you see, there are probably hundreds of grub worms, no telling how many ants, and bugs and critters of about every kind you can name, and they're just floating down the stream on that rotten old log thinking that they are steering it."

The Urge to Worship

The urge to worship is an inherent inclination to show reverence and respect. Sometimes it has nothing to do with anything biblical, like God. Since man has existed he has worshipped something – his ancestors, plants, the moon, stars, sun, trees, fire and even himself. When men turn from God, Paul said they "exchanged the truth of God for a lie, and worshipped and served the creature rather than the Creator, who is blessed for ever" (Rom. 1:25). The creation of images and idols is known as idolatry – condemned severely in scripture (1 John 5:21). Christians worship God alone (Matt. 4:10; John 4:23-24). Because the Bible has the only true information about God, the way Christians worship must be dictated by the truth of God's word. That worship is not the result of inward impulse, but conformity to what God himself has allowed in his word. But still there is an inward urge to worship. When trouble strikes, the urge to turn to God is natural. It is wrong to limit to troublesome times. Jeremiah rebuked the idolatrous Jews as those who, "say to a stock, Thou art my father; and to a stone, Thou hast brought me forth: for they have turned their back unto me, and not their face; *but in the time of their trouble* they will say, Arise, and save us" (Jer. 2:27). Whether it be idolatry or infidelity, it satisfies only in tranquil and prosperous times. No sooner does trouble come, than the deep conviction of the existence of a God, which is the witness for Him in our heart, resumes its authority, and man prays. May God help us to have the desire to worship Him regardless of the situation in our lives. SELECTED

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NBC 28 KYLE, Bryan-

College Station, TX.

NBC 53—KLSB Lufkin, TX.

FOX 29 KSVP Lake

Charles, LA.

ASSEMBLY TIMES

Sun: 9:30 AM Class

10:30 AM Worship

6:00 PM Evening

Wed: 7:00 PM

Thanksgiving Thoughts

This month we will all pause and observe a day our nation sets aside as a holiday. It is "Thanksgiving Day." Hopefully all Americans will pause to remember just how grateful they should be for the privileges and blessings afforded us. It is doubtful that will happen because of the decided turn toward secular humanism our government and society has taken.

In 1863, a noble statesman from Kentucky wrote the following Thanksgiving Proclamation.

"It is the duty of nations as well as of man to own their dependence upon the overruling power of God; to confess their sins and transgressions in humble sorrow, yet with assured hope that genuine repentance will lead to mercy and pardon; and to recognize the sublime truth, announced in the Holy Scriptures and proven by all history, that those nations are blessed whose God is the Lord. We know that by His divine law, nations, like individuals, are subjected to punishments and chastisements in this world. May we not justly fear that the awful calamity of civil war which now desolates the land may be a punishment inflicted upon us for our presumptuous sins, to the needful end of our national reformation as a whole people? We have been the recipients of the choicest bounties of heaven; we have been preserved these many years in peace and prosperity; we have grown in numbers, wealth and power as no other nation has ever grown. But we have forgotten God. We have forgotten the gracious hand which preserved us in peace and multiplied and enriched and strengthened us, and we have vainly imagined, in the deceitfulness of our hearts, that all these blessings were produced by some superior wisdom and virtue of our own. Intoxicated with unbroken success, we have become too self-sufficient to feel the necessity of redeeming and preserving grace, too proud to pray to the God that made us. It has seemed to me fit and proper that God should be solemnly, reverently and gratefully acknowledged, as with one heart and one voice, by the whole American people. I do therefore invite my fellow citizens in every part of the United States, and also those who are at sea and those who are sojourning in foreign lands, to set apart and observe the last Thursday of November, a day of Thanksgiving and praise to our beneficent Father Who dwelleth in the heavens. — A. Lincoln, 1863

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Preaching to millions each week
Congratulations our new
President Elect— Donald J. Trump



From Dan's desk:

There were many favourable comments about the “Give Me The Bible” program last Sunday. We are so grateful to have the opportunity to share the gospel of Christ with literally millions of people each week. I am also thankful for the blessings of God as we continue to produce this program through the generous contribution given by sister churches all over Texas and LA. Our panelists always do a great job and we often bring guest preachers on the program from time to time. We were in the studio this last week taping lessons for January. A big thank you for your support of our efforts each week. Thanks for your favourable comments about the lessons last Sunday. It is a joy to declare the Truth of God’s Word to those who desire to hear it. The month of November is always a busy month. The Ladies class will go to Tyler this coming Tuesday morning. They will eat lunch together and then on to the Mall. Our Wednesday night schedule will change the week of Thanksgiving. Instead of meeting on Wednesday night Nov. 23, we will meet on Tuesday night at 7 P.M. We will meet in the church auditorium for a time of songs, reading the scriptures and in prayer. Our congratulations to our new President –Elect Donald Trump. May God help us to “MAKE AMERICA GREAT AGAIN”. Continue to pray for him and for our country. DAN

PLEASE TURN OFF ALL CELL PHONES



**TO KEEP
 IN OUR PRAYERS**

LINDA CHEAIRS remains a patient at ETMC in Tyler, recovering from surgery.

BILL CHANDLER has been moved to Cartmell Home and he is improving.

BOBBY BAIRD is awaiting heart by-pass surgery in ETMC.

PAUL PEARSON is recovering from hip surgery in Pales Regional

All others who have been ill and in the hospital are doing better.
Pick up a copy of the prayer list in the foyer.

**LAUGHTER THE BEST
 MEDICINE**

The secret of a good sermon is to have a good beginning and a good ending; and to have the two as close together as possible.

WELCOME VISITORS

A big hearty welcome to those visiting today. Allow us to meet and greet you following the worship service this morning. At the end of the service today you will be given a gift bag from our congregation. “It is a small gift, but it comes from big hearts.” Thanks again for coming.

**NOVEMBER– DECEMBER
 SCHEDULE**

Nov. 15
 Ladies Bible Class will have a brief lesson and then go to Tyler on the church bus for lunch and to the mall. All ladies are invited to attend.

Nov. 20
 There will be a **diaper shower** for Scarlett, new baby daughter of Jamie Osmond next Sunday Nov. 20th at 2 P.M. in the family room.

Nov. 20
 “Single and Single Again Luncheon” will be held in the activity building following the morning worship. This luncheon is hosted by the young people of the church here.

Nov. 22 (Tuesday) will have our midweek service on Tuesday instead of Wednesday, because of Thanksgiving. Many will be going out of town and other family members coming to Palestine and having the service a day earlier, helps those who are preparing a Thanksgiving meal.

Dec. 6th Our Holiday fellowship will be held in the activity bldg on Tuesday night at 7 P.M. There is no cost this year. The meal is being catered. You will need to sign the list on bulletin board if you are planning to attend.

Dec. 4th The ladies will have their annual ornament exchange following the morning worship service. Lunch will be served.

Dec. 13th Tuesday Ladies Bible Class Lunch and gift exchange. Noon.

Dec. 21 (Wednesday) regular time 7 P.M.

Dec. 25 (Bible class) at 10 A.M.)

Dec. 25 (regular time for worship both services)

Dec. 28 (Wednesday) regular time. 7 P.M.

Please plan to be with us.