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If you have any questions concerning the message from today, or are interested in obtaining information about church membership, please see the Pastor after the service, drop a note in the offering plate indicating your desire to talk with the Pastor, or call the church office.

Announcements

A Touch of Hope

Pat Beatty needs some volunteers to help her get a head start on making blankets for local displaced school children. She will be in the Fellowship Hall on Tuesday, **August 8**, from 10:00 a.m. until noon cutting fleece, and she would love to have you come join her!

Deacons' Meeting

Tuesday, **August 8**, 7:00 p.m.

Men's Fellowship

Thursday, **August 10**, 6:00 p.m. Cornhole will be involved, and food will be provided. There is a sign-up sheet in the hall.

Senior Saints

They are having lunch at Carey Hilliard's on Waters Avenue, Tuesday, **August 15**. Sign the list in the hall, and meet at the restaurant at 11:45 a.m.

Children's Choir Program

The kids in the Summer Music Camp will be sharing the songs they have learned on Wednesday, **August 16**, at 7:00 p.m. Come out and support them! A reception will follow.

More announcements on p. 5

This Week at FABC

Today

Coffee Fellowship	9:00 a.m.
Sunday School	9:30 a.m.
Morning Worship	10:30 a.m.
Lunch Fellowship	11:45 a.m.
Adult Choir Practice	5:30 p.m.
Evening Worship	7:00 p.m.

Wednesday

Youth	6:30 p.m.
Children's Music Camp	7:00 p.m.
Prayer & Bible Study	7:00 p.m.

FABC Deacons

Shawn Champion	433-0098
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10:30 a.m.

Welcome and Announcements

* Opening Chorus & Greeting
“Because He Lives”

Words are on the back of the bulletin

* Call to Worship
Romans 5:8-9

* Hymn, bulletin p. 6
“How Deep the Father’s
Love for Us”

Scripture Reading & Prayer
Justin Pinckney
Ezekiel 37:15-28

Special Music

Receiving of Tithes And
Offerings

* Hymn #449
“To God Be the Glory”

Message
Bob Dimmitt
*Introduction to Ecclesiastes
Ecclesiastes 1:1-3, Ecclesiastes #1*

* Hymn, to right
“Doxology”

7:00 p.m.

Welcome and Announcements

* Hymn #129
“At the Cross”

Prayer

Receiving of Tithes And
Offerings

Hymn, bulletin p. 7
“His Mercy Is More”

Hymn #125
“Jesus Paid It All”

Message
Bob Dimmitt
*Conversion: Completing the Cycle, Part 13
Ephesians 4:30-32, Ephesians #88*

* Hymn, bulletin p. 8
“Doxology”

Doxology

Praise God from whom all blessings
flow.
Praise Him, all creatures here below.
Praise Him above, ye heavenly host,
Praise Father, Son, and Holy Ghost.
Amen

* All those who are able, please stand.

A.M. Notes

Introduction to Ecclesiastes

Ecclesiastes #1

Ecclesiastes 1:1-3

The author of Ecclesiastes identified himself, in Hebrew, as Qoheleth (Koheleth).

Vanity=“hebel”= vapor, breath, vanity. The noun appears seventy-one times in the OT. Thirty-six times it is used in Eccl, where it occurs at least once in each of the twelve chapters except chapter ten.

Koheleth is not saying that there is no meaning but that it appears ungraspable or incomprehensible.

The Jewish and Biblical understanding of “wisdom” is that it is a gift from God.

The Greek or Roman idea of wisdom, knowledge, etc., is that man, on his own (autonomously), apart from God—beginning with himself, or with mankind determines what is moral, what is the value of things (of believing in a god, if something is moral, or good or bad) etc.

Because of God’s creative and ruling power our finite life and the events in which we live have, despite their bewildering mystery and their frequently tragic character, a meaning, a purpose, and a destiny beyond any immediate and apparent futility.

Many have noted that it is incredible that life should make no sense. Every man who thinks at all believes that there is sense somewhere, if only he could find it.

Young Adult Bible Study

Thursday, August 17, 7:00 p.m., at the Sheffield's.

Save the Date!

Our Women of Light Retreat will be Friday and Saturday, **March 2 and 3, 2018**, at Epworth by the Sea on St. Simon's Island. Linda Brucato, retired TEAM missionary to Italy, will be our speaker! Make plans to attend!

Math Not Bigotry

Christians are often accused of bigotry because we think that 90% of the world is wrong about their religion. But it's not bigotry—it's just math.

Some religions teach Jesus as the Son of God and others deny it. Is it not clear that somebody is right and somebody is wrong? There is simply no getting around that.

The great monotheistic faiths understand God as a distinct, individual person, whereas some Eastern religions see God as the impersonal sum of everything all put together. If there is a God, both of these notions cannot be true about Him at the same time. Clearly massive numbers of people are mistaken on one side of this issue or the other.

When anyone dies, they might go to heaven, or they might go to hell, or they might be reincarnated, or they might disappear into nothing at all. But even a child can see they cannot do them all at the same time. Multitudes, the majority even, must be mistaken. Again, that's not bigotry. It's simple math.

Gregory Koukl, *The Story of Reality*

Weekly Catechism Question

Question #13:

What is the work of creation?

Answer:

The work of creation is God's making all things [out] of nothing, by the word of his power and all very good.

Scripture:

Genesis 1:1, 31; Hebrews 11:3; Exodus 20:11; Romans 4:17.

Comment: Before creation there was only God in the holy fellowship of the Trinity. Therefore his creation is always different from ours: we start with something.

Idols (addictions) steal. They (addictions) steal not only our affections, our relationships, and our health but also our sanity. That's why Jesus is the addict's only remedy. Self-help books, 12 Step Programs, and caring people can help restrain sin (addictions) and the out-workings of evil, but they cannot deliver an addict's heart. Only Jesus can do that, and only He can unwrap a warped mind.

When a person becomes our god, we lose our sense of self; we conform our identity to his or her demands and expectations in order to keep the relational dynamics in place. This is nothing less than idolatry—and in the end it serves us up to what we often fear the most—loneliness—idolatry is a breeding ground for loneliness.

Christianity does not start with "Jesus saves you from your sins." It starts with "In the beginning, God created the heavens and the earth."

F. Schaeffer

Music

How Deep The Father's Love For Us

1. How deep the Father's love for us,
How vast beyond all measure,
That He should give His only Son
To make a wretch His treasure.
How great the pain of searing loss,
The Father turns His face away
As wounds which mar the Chosen One
Bring many sons to glory.

2. Behold the Man upon a cross,
My sin upon His shoulders.
Ashamed, I hear my mocking voice
Call out among the scoffers.
It was my sin that held Him there
Until it was accomplished.
His dying breath has brought me life.
I know that it is finished.

3. I will not boast in anything,
No gifts no pow'r no wisdom.
But I will boast in Jesus Christ,
His death and resurrection.
Why should I gain from His reward?
I cannot give an answer;
But this I know with all my heart,
His wounds have paid my ransom.

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His Mercy Is More

1. What love could remember no wrongs we have done?

Omniscient, all knowing, He counts not their sum.

Thrown into a sea without bottom or shore,

Our sins they are many, His mercy is more.

Chorus

Praise the Lord, His mercy is more.

Stronger than darkness, new every morn.

Our sins they are many, His mercy is more.

2. What patience would wait as we constantly roam?

What Father so tender is calling us home?

He welcomes the weakest, the vilest, the poor.

Our sins they are many, His mercy is more.

Chorus

3. What riches of kindness He lavished on us?

His blood was the payment; His life was the cost.

We stood 'neath a debt we could never afford.

Our sins they are many, His mercy is more.

Chorus

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Self-knowledge is both a simple gift and a hard-won achievement. It's very difficult to see our motives and even harder to see them for what they are. Though this is generally true it is particularly true when we get angry. Part of the problem comes because our anger feels so "righteous"—bad anger is very self-righteous. Our passionate desire to think well of ourselves, to assert and defend ourselves continually, gets in the way of seeing and facing our motives. This is where we must ask ourselves searching questions so we can uncover expectations that underlie our anger. The right questions will reveal our heart—what we crave, what we trust, what we hate, and what we love. Often our anger not only says we are going astray but who it is that is the center of our universe.

David Powlison, Good & Angry

Doxology

Praise God from whom all bless - ings flow. Praise Him, all

crea - tures here be - low. Praise Him a - bove, ye

heav - en - ly host. Praise Fa - ther, Son and Ho - ly Ghost.

Words: Thomas Ken

Music: Jimmy Owens; arr. Mark Rice

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In Christ we find a whole new identity—His identity becomes ours. As we drink this living water, we discover that our human relationships are losing the power to define us, and the illusion that they can fulfill us is beginning to evaporate...it's not the love of a man or woman that we've needed—it's being set free from thinking it was. It's not having our past bad choices erased from view; it's having them forgiven. It's not the removal of all our sin's consequences; it's God's grace redeeming those consequences for our good and for others to whom He will send us.

Declaration of truth: If I had the wisdom of Solomon, the patience of Job, the meekness of Moses, the strength of Samson, the obedience of Abraham, the compassion of Joseph, the tears of Jeremiah, the prophetic voice of Elijah, the courage of Daniel, the greatness of John the Baptist, the endurance and love of Paul, I would still need redemption through Christ's blood, the forgiveness of sin.

E. Draper

Articles

From the D3 Feedback Booth

Dear FABC,

Thank you so much for giving me this opportunity to grow stronger in my faith. This camp has been amazing. From the sessions to free time, I've enjoyed it all. I really enjoyed the great lessons I've learned. After this week I'm not only going home eager to see my parents, but eager to learn more about the Lord. Thank you again for giving me this opportunity.

Love,
Morghan Stone



Dear FABC,

Thank you for allowing us to come to Kentucky. We all had a great week all because of you. I have learned a lot since we got here. I learned to stand firm in love, hope, etc. Also, I have learned to put the "armor" on and God will protect you. The shield is the difference between victory and loss, life and death, etc. Thank you for making all of this happen.

Sincerely,
Emma Stone



Thanks for all the help and support with this trip. I've learned a lot about God and how he wants me to live a life Standing Firm.

Thank you,
Brock Schraeder

Crowns in Scripture

The “stephanos” or the victors crown. It is the symbol of victory given to the winners in the Greek games or a contest. It is a reward or a prize. Stephanos is the word for crown in this discussion of five crowns. It is the crown for the winners in the Christian life. It is used in: 1 Corinthians 9:25; 2 Timothy 2:5

The “stephanos” is also used as a ornament for festivities and celebrations in these verses: Proverbs 1:9; Proverbs 4:9; Song of Solomon 3:11; Isaiah 28:1

The “stephanos” was also used to honor someone publicly who had distinguished themselves in service or given to someone for their worthiness. These were worn at the parousia (advent or return) of kings.

There are five crowns mentioned in scripture. They deal with different aspects of the Christian life. The crowns reflect levels of maturity in regards to a believers growth and accomplishments of service to the Lord.

1. **Incorruptible Crown (1 Cor. 9:25)** - This crown indicates mastery over the sin nature. The Corinthians are being urged to run the Christian life in such a way as to receive the reward in the end. Here the emphasis is in self-control. *“They do it to get a crown that will not last; but we do it to get a crown that will last forever. . . I beat my body and make it my slave so that after I have preached to others, I myself will not be disqualified for the prize.”*
 - a. Paul is focusing the believers on running the race or living the life God has given them to compete in.
 - b. Just as each life has a race, each life has a reward available.
 - c. Only those who run the race and run it according to the rules will get a prize.
 - d. The crown or stephanos would wither and sometimes was withered at the time of the victory but it meant fame, prestige and fortune. The symbol of victory would fade but the fame was more enduring.
 - e. Paul does not run aimlessly (9:26), meaning he does not live his Christian life with out purpose or direction. Nor should we if we want to achieve what has been made available to us.
 - f. The boxer failing to land a blow is ridiculous and pointless. It is an analogy of the undisciplined believer missing his purpose.

2. **Crown of Righteousness (2 Timothy 4:7-8)** - This crown goes to those who live righteously in this world while they look forward to Christ’s return. They are those who are not captivated by this world, but hunger and thirst after righteousness. *“I have fought the good fight, I have finished the race, I have kept the faith. Now there is in store for me the crown of righteousness, which the Lord, the righteous Judge, will award to me on that day—and not only to me, but also to all who have longed for his appearing.”*
 - a. This is a crown for righteous behavior and an upright life.
 - b. “have longed” is in the perfect tense it suggests those who greatly anticipated Christ’s return in the past and continued to do so up until the moment of the rewarding.

- c. This life is described by Paul to Titus in Titus 2:12-13: “[The grace] teaches us to say ‘No’ to ungodliness and worldly passions, and to live self-controlled, upright and godly lives in this present age, while we wait for the blessed hope—the glorious appearing of our great God and Savior, Jesus Christ.”
- d. “fought” is the word “agonizomai” and though it can refer to a military fight, it is clearly a reference to training and competing in athletics; -It is the same word translated “competes in the games” in 1 Corinthians 9:25 - “make every effort” in Luke 13:24- “struggling” in Colossians 1:29 - “wrestling” in Colossians 4:12 “strive” in 1 Timothy 4:10- “fight” in 1 Timothy 6:12 - “race” is the noun form in Hebrews 12:1
- e. Notice: The same award awaits all who qualify.
- f. Notice the “fight” (or, the agony of training and competing comes first, and then the successful “finish” of the race. The believer cannot think they will achieve victory without the struggle of preparing for and demonstrating righteousness.

3. **Crown of Life (James 1:12; Revelation 2:10)** – As a believer continues to live his life for the Lord he should be determined to **proceed in God’s plan for his life even while enduring trials**. The believer who moves forward in God’s call and assignment in the face of difficulty, even martyrdom, will receive this crown.

“Blessed is the man who perseveres under trial, because when he has stood the test, he will receive the crown of life that God has promised to those who love him.”

“Do not be afraid of what you are about to suffer. I tell you the devil will put some of you in prison to test you, and you will suffer persecution for ten days. Be faithful, even to the point of death, and I will give you the crown of life.”

- a. Testing and trials are part of the Christian life. It should be understood that when faced with test and trials many Christians turn back and do not continue on the path God has called them to run on.
- b. Jesus said we would have trouble: *“I have told you these things, so that in me you may have peace. In this world you will have trouble. But take heart! I have overcome the world.”* John 16:33
- c. *If the world hates you, keep in mind that it hated me first.* John 15:18
- d. Paul writes to Timothy, *“You, however, know all about my teaching, my way of life, my purpose, faith, patience, love, endurance, persecutions, sufferings—what kinds of things happened to me in Antioch, Iconium and Lystra, the persecutions I endured. Yet the Lord rescued me from all of them. In fact, everyone who wants to live a godly life in Christ Jesus will be persecuted.”* 2 Timothy 3:10-12
- e. Often the doorway towards fulfilling God’s plan is to endure hardships and persecution.
- f. The reward is for “persevering” and remaining “faithful”. The reward is not given for having great faith and getting delivered from the trial or test.

- g. We are faithful to the Lord in the trial. The Lord is faithful to reward us for enduring the trial.

4. **Crown of Joy (Philippians 4:1; 1 Thess.2:19)** - This crown is for those who lead others to Christ or demonstrate fruitfulness by **influencing others towards righteousness**.

“Therefore, my brother, you whom I love and long for, my joy and crown that is how you should stand firm in the Lord, dear friends!”

“For what is our hope, our joy, or the crown in which we will glory in the presence of our Lord Jesus when he comes? Is it not you? Indeed, you are our glory and joy.”

- a. Rewards are not just for how we live and what we do, they are also for the influence we have on how others live and what they do.
- b. It was being said in Thessalonica that Paul did not really care for the Thessalonians, but Paul said he did, and it should be obvious, since they will result in a crown for him if they succeed.
- c. Gabriel tells Daniel in Daniel 12:3, *“Those who are wise will shine like the brightness of the heavens and those who lead many to righteousness, like the stars forever and ever.”*

5. **Crown of Glory (1 Peter 5:4)** - The greatest achievement is to **fulfill your calling and finish the work God gave** you to do. This passage is speaking to pastors/elders who finish their work faithfully, but this crown is not only for pastors/elders.

“To the elders among you, I appeal as a fellow elder. . . One who will share in the glory to be revealed: Be shepherds of God’s flock that is under your care... and when the Chief Shepherd appears, you will receive the crown of glory that will never fade away.”

- a. Again we see the rewards being given upon Christ’s return. Here Christ is seen as the Chief Shepherd rewarding those who shepherd for him.
- b. Just like Paul’s crown in 2 Timothy 4:7-8 was available to “ALL who long for Christ’s appearing,” this crown is also available to all who serve at the position and with the capacity they were given. It is not just the pastor as we think of a pastor but all those who engage in the work of shepherding others spiritually. I believe that the application extends to all believers who engage in this work, not just those who are officially recognized by the church to that office.

Why Must Children be Closely Guided and Made to Obey?

By John MacArthur

Children have a basic problem: they are children, and as such are lacking in four areas. Those areas are delineated in Luke 2:52. In this verse we see Jesus Christ, from the perspective of His humanity, as a twelve year old child. He was all that a child could be---apart from being sinful. According to Luke 2:52, from the time He was twelve until His ministry, He *“increased in wisdom and stature, and favor with God and man.”* Thus, the four areas in which children lack are: wisdom (mental needs), stature (physical needs), favor with man (social needs), and favor with God (spiritual needs).

1. Children lack wisdom--Children lack discretion, instruction, and knowledge. When a baby comes into the world, his brain is void of information. So whatever he's going to know must be first taught to him. Also, children have no discretion; they don't know what's right and what's wrong. They don't know the right foods to eat, and they don't know not to put certain things in their mouths. Those things must be taught.

2. Children lack stature--Children are weak physically; they are unable to support or sustain themselves. Parents have the responsibility of feeding them, nourishing them, and making sure they get the proper rest. Children can't fend for themselves; they can't make it in the world alone, so the parents must protect them.

3. Children lack favor with men--Children are not socially acclimated. The dominant trait of a newborn child is selfishness. He can't conceive of anything but “I want it now” or “It's mine.” It's difficult to teach children to share. They don't know any of the social graces like humility or unselfishness; they must be taught.

4. Children lack favor with God--In the spiritual area, children don't naturally grow to love God. When they are little, they will comprehend God, but without proper instruction they will drift away. Proverbs 22:6 says, *“Train up a child in the way he should go: and when he is old, he will not depart from it.”* That is the responsibility of the parents.

The disaster--Children face problems in the mental, physical, social, and spiritual areas of life. Parents, you must provide an environment in which your children can grow in those areas of inadequacy. If we don't provide for spiritual, social, physical, and mental growth in all the dimensions of life, we're going to end up with *“a generation that curseth their father, and doth not bless their mother. There is a generation that are pure in their own eyes, and yet is not washed from their filthiness”* (Proverbs 30:11-12). In other words, we're going to have an evil, unruly generation. And, according to verse 17, when you get that kind of a generation, *“the eye that mocketh at his father, and despiseth to obey his mother, the ravens of the valley shall pick it out, and the young eagles shall eat it.”* That is God's judgment.

Have we have raised a generation of young people who do only what's right in their own eyes? Do they mock their fathers, despise their mothers, and are unruly? Children need to be taught to obey. How? By consistent discipline and example.

Missionary of the Week

Bill & Bobbie Bogges TEAM - France

Bill and Bobbie have been working through TEAM as church planters near Paris for 34 years! They write about their coming retirement, "Our plans are to leave France in December. We will buy a Fifth Wheel RV and a ¾ ton pickup truck and hit the road for several months to visit all our 30 supporting churches and 60 individuals who have prayed and given so we can serve here in France."



From their March, 2017 newsletter, please pray for:

- Health (physical and emotional with packing up and leaving) and strength to finish well.
- Wisdom concerning retirement coming up soon. Pray that God would lead us to the right 5th wheel camper and ¾ ton pickup truck, all within our budget! And for all the little details which are thousands concerning where to land in the States, our plans to visit churches, settling somewhere and future ministry.
- For fellow TEAMers Ryan and Dana Powell and Paul and Missy Robelot as they take the church on to maturity.
- A more suitable meeting place for our church (more stable, better visibility, additional rooms for Sunday School, possibility to have meals, place to store the piano, etc.) and for stable church growth and maturity of the believers there.
- For results from Bill's recruiting trip to Dallas. We need more missionaries in France and Europe.
- For Marc, a young man who will be baptized in May. Pray for continued growth and perseverance. Pray for his family to come to know the Lord.
- For an evangelistic outreach in June. We are hosting an organ and choir concert in commemoration of the 500th anniversary of the beginning of the Reformation.
- Salvation of our Moroccan family, Habiba, Farouk and Imane. For immigration papers and an urgent lodging need.
- While I led TEAM France, I was part of the Foreign Workers Field Leaders Conference. They recently created a model prayer for all foreign missionaries working in France. So, please pray for France!

Lord we pray that you would kindle a passion for prayer in every church in France and with it a spiritual awakening and revival in the whole country.

Father, we pray that you would make French churches more effective in making disciples. We join our prayers with those of the French National Council of Evangelicals asking that you grow your church and that the number of evangelical churches would triple from 2,200 to 6,600 so that there would be 1 church for every 10,000 inhabitants.

We also pray that the recent terrorist attacks, wars, and influx of refugees might open the hearts of many, and in particular in the Muslim community, to the hope of the Gospel.

Lord, touch the people of France. Draw many to yourself! All this we ask in Your name and for your glory. Amen

Sunday School Classes & Descriptions

Adult

- “Revelation” - Organ Side Overflow Room: Matt Coleman
- “Chronological Survey of the Bible” - Fellowship Hall: Bob Dimmitt
- “The Gospel of Luke” - Youth House: Steve Posner

Students & Children

- Babies - Room 3: Kay Stanford & Sandra Bridges
- 1s & 2s - Room 24: Michael & Ruth Kleinpeter/Danny & Kamee Roberson
- 3s & 4s - Room 25: Emily Wise, Susan Su, Donna Martin
- Kindergarten, 1st & 2nd Grade - Room 200: Jimmy & Angie Creech
- 3rd-6th Grade Boys - Room 202: Ric Zittrouer & Richie Mills
- 3rd-6th Grade Girls - Room 204: Mary Ann Fowler, Amy Horton
- Youth Guys - Room 206: Tim Wade, Bobby Deloach, & Nick Herring
- Youth Girls - Room 207: Sona Bailey, Jessica Dimmitt, & Lauren Wade

Admitting our real motives of our anger exposes us...who wants others to know what we were thinking at that moment during that last argument? Our anger clearly communicates the following: I demand that you love me on my terms. I will prove that I am right at all costs. Proving that you are inexcusably and outrageously wrong is one way to prove that I'm right, and that I'm a victim of your ridiculous iniquity. I want to be in control. You should obey me, listen to me, and attend to my every want. How dare you cross MY almighty will?

David Powlison, Good & Angry

Bible Reading Schedule

August 2017

	1	1 Corinthians 2-5
	2	1 Corinthians 6-9
	3	1 Corinthians 10-12
	4	1 Corinthians 13-15
	5	1 Corin. 16 & 2 Corin. 1-3
	6	2 Corinthians 4-7
	7	2 Corinthians 8-10
	8	2 Corinthians 11-13
	9	Ecclesiastes 1 & Romans 1
	10	Ecclesiastes 2 & Romans 2
	11	Ecclesiastes 3 & Romans 3
	12	Ecclesiastes 4 & Romans 4
	13	Ecclesiastes 5 & Romans 5-6
	14	Ecclesiastes 6 & Romans 7
	15	Ecclesiastes 7 & Romans 8
	16	Ecclesiastes 8 & Romans 9
	17	Ecclesiastes 9 & Romans 10
	18	Eccles. 10 & Romans 11
	19	Eccles. 11 & Romans 12
	20	Eccles. 12 & Romans 13-14
	21	Eccles. 1 & Romans 15-16
	22	Ecclesiastes 2 & Romans 1
	23	Ecclesiastes 3 & Romans 2
	24	Ecclesiastes 4 & Romans 3
	25	Ecclesiastes 5 & Romans 4
	26	Ecclesiastes 6 & Romans 5
	27	Ecclesiastes 7 & Romans 6
	28	Ecclesiastes 8 & Romans 7
	29	Ecclesiastes 9 & Romans 8
	30	Ecclesiastes 10 & Romans 9
	31	Eccles. 11 & Romans 10



Because He Lives

Because He lives
I can face tomorrow.
Because He lives
All fear is gone.
Because I know He holds the
future,
And life is worth the living
Just because He lives.

God uses chronic pain and weakness, along with other afflictions, as His chisel for sculpting our lives. Felt weakness deepens dependence on Christ for strength each day. The weaker we feel, the harder we lean.

J.I. Packer

Isolation is an indicator that a Christian has or is turning to another (idol) instead of God to meet a felt need or desire. Whether abrupt or gradual isolating oneself from other believers (and people in general) characterizes the life of an idol worshipper. We cringe inside at the prospect of having our sin exposed, so we hide. Isolation is a way to avoid confrontation. An idolator doesn't want anyone interfering and threatening to take away their false god.

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For Hearing Impaired

If you have difficulties hearing, we have listening aid devices available. Ask any of the ushers, or the technician in the sound booth, if you are in need of one of these devices.

Nursery August 6

10:30 A.M.

Babies:

Carolyn Blanton, Lauren Wade

Toddlers - 4 year olds:

Lisa & Addisyn Rowe/
Nick Herring, Emily Wise, Allie Mills

7:00 P.M.

Gena Russell, Haley Bull/
Napoleon & Savannah Martin

Nursery August 13

10:30 A.M.

Babies:

Donna Martin, Kirsten Jones

Toddlers - 4 year olds:

Karrie & Lindsey Walker/
Steve & Linnea Posner.

7:00 P.M.

Sona Bailey, Cindy Dimmitt/
Shawn Champion, Linda Walker

Ushers August 6

10:30 A.M.

Jack Moore, Danny Roberson,
Kelly Stanford, John Sumner

7:00 P.M.

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Ushers August 13

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Jimmy Kicklighter, Michael Walker,
Billy Waters, Buddy Bacon

7:00 P.M.

Michael Torrance, Jimmy Donaldson

Sunday Greeters - August 6

Mary Fowler, Jeanie Groover

August Lock-Up Deacons

Steve Posner, Kelly Stanford