

Sermon Notes

Scriptures: 1Peter 1:14-16; 1Chronicles 22:17-19; Ephesians 2:4-7; Psalm 51:10-12; 2Chronicles 22:11; and Romans 12:2

Lined area for sermon notes



Loving God ~ Loving People

The Messenger July 14, 2024

Order of Worship

Greeting / Prayer: Lonnie Hewitt

Worship Leader: George Hewitt

Communion: Dan Strope

Scripture Reading: Ashton Hewitt (1Peter 1:14-16)

Sermon: Ronnie Hewitt (Lord, Prepare Me a Sanctuary)

Announcements / Prayer: Stan Davis

Bible Hour Today: Angie McDaniel

Bible Hour July 21: Renie Nalley

Nursery Today: Megan Johnson

Nursery July 21: Cindy Davis

Schedule of Services

Sunday Bible Study: 9:30am & 5:00pm

Sunday Worship: 10:30am

Wednesday Bible Study: 7:00pm

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Prayer Concerns

Nora Allen, 16yr old daughter of Rachel's friend Amy Foddrill, was doing much better, but has had a major set-back and is at Riley again. She is to be released, but mom has no help to assist her.

Richard Burris is to have a root block in his spine to relieve his pain Monday afternoon.

Stan Davis tested positive for COVID last Tuesday.

Lonnie Hewitt is doing well from his cardioversion for A-fib. His doctor is still suggesting an ablation.

Tana Kay Marriott will be having cataract surgery on the 22nd.

Tim Scott, Cindy Strobe's brother, has been diagnosed with squamous cell carcinoma. He had a PET scan this past Wednesday.

Virginia Short, dealing with weakness. She is being sent to her cardiologist.

Bob Stewart, Angie Hewitt's dad, is very weak and unable to walk on his own. He now has a foley catheter. Angie was able to have him transferred to a facility much closer to her.

Shut-In's / Long Term Prayers

Juanita Brunemer (shut-in); **Polly Burchfield** (shut-in); **Pam Dowty** (Ronnie's Sutton's sister, Parkinson's), **Cindy Dussia** (chemo), **Robert Ewing** (GayLee's brother, bone & liver cancer), **Moe Handy** (arthritic shoulder pain), **Rex Hembree** (Della's brother, lung cancer), **Marilyn Hiser** (radiation), **Martin Julian** (shut-in); **Sharon Lasiter** (cancer treatments), **Noah & Gay Logsdon** (shut-in); **Terry Morgan** (Huesman's brother-in-law, radiation for bladder cancer), **Andy Mytides** (Cindy Davis's friend, kidney failure), **Juanita Rodman** (shut-in, dementia); **Anthony Ross** (Gay Logsdon's nephew, dialysis), **Vonnie Stonebraker** (Sowder's neighbor, chemo for colon cancer), **Barb Surber** (shut-in); **Nancy Vermillion** (Burris' friend, breast cancer), **Delbert Vibbert** (Lougene's nephew, nursing home with COPD), **Don & Mary Walton** (shut-in).

Daily Bible Reading Plan

Sunday, July 14	Ecclesiastes 1-3
Monday, July 15	Ecclesiastes 4-6
Tuesday, July 16	Ecclesiastes 7-9
Wednesday, July 17	Ecclesiastes 10-12
Thursday, July 18	Song of Songs 1-4
Friday, July 19	Song of Songs 5-8
Saturday, July 20	Isaiah 1-3



Celebrations This Week

Birthday

- 14th Devin Jones
- 15th Colin Anderson
- 20th Debby Huesman

Anniversary

- 15th Clinton & Renie Nalley (35yrs)
- 17th Keith & Debby Huesman (41yrs)
- 18th Justin & Kayla Stanton (5yrs)
- 20th David & Janice Kent (56yrs)



Love Feast Fellowship

Today we will be having our family fellowship meal immediately following worship service. Everyone is encouraged to stay and join us.

Our Sunday evening Study for today will be at 1pm following our fellowship.



All men are invited to join us on Saturday, July 27th at 9am for a meal, fellowship, devotional, and prayer time. For more information, please see Lonnie Hewitt or Clinton Nalley.



Meditation of God's Word

The Power of the Gospel

The apostle Paul in his letter to the Romans expressed his faith in the Gospel. In Romans 1:16-17, he said, *For I am not ashamed of the gospel, for it is the power of God for salvation to everyone who believes, to the Jew first and also to the Greek. ¹⁷ For in it the righteousness of God is revealed from faith to faith; as it is written: "BUT THE RIGHTEOUS ONE WILL LIVE BY FAITH."* (NASB)

Paul is not ashamed of a gospel centered on a crucified Savior as it has inherent power. Power is the one thing that Rome boasted of the most. Greece might have its philosophy, but Rome had its power. Despite all their power, the Romans – like all men – were powerless to make themselves righteous before God. The gospel could finally do for man what he could not do for himself. The gospel's power for salvation comes to everyone who believes.

Paul declares that the gospel is the power of God unto salvation for all who believe, regardless of their background or ethnicity. He emphasizes that the gospel reveals God's righteousness and offers the gift of salvation to those who place their faith in Jesus Christ.

Paul would go on to define the gospel as being the death, burial, and resurrection of Jesus by which we are saved: *Now I make known to you, brothers and sisters, the gospel which I preached to you, which you also received, in which you also stand, ² by which you also are saved, if you hold firmly to the word which I preached to you, unless you believed in vain. ³ For I handed down to you as of first importance what I also received, that Christ died for our sins according to the Scriptures, ⁴ and that He was buried, and that He was raised on the third day according to the Scriptures.* (1Cor 15:1-4, NASB)

The important fact of this gospel is that it can be believed and must be believed. Jesus said, *"The one who has believed and has been baptized will be saved; but the one who has not believed will be condemned."* (Mk 16:16, NASB) Therefore, the gospel can be and must be obeyed. Paul shows this in speaking of how men became Christians at Rome: *Therefore, we have been buried with Him through baptism into death, so that, just as Christ was raised from the dead through the glory of the Father, so we too may walk in newness of life.* (Rom 6:4, NASB)

The gospel when believed and obeyed changes lives and transforms hearts, as well as one's destiny. This is something nothing else can do. If we are to evangelize, we must be confident in the gospel's power. It is through this power that lost sinners become new creatures who walk in newness of life, as they are born again. Absolutely nothing can replace the gospel in changing men's lives or in saving their souls.

....Ronnie Hewitt