



## We love sharing the truth of God's Word!

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2021 VISION
"SFFK THE LORD"

## Jta11

Christ Came, Died, was Buried, Resurrected, & will Return Sunday 11am Worship Sun. 6pm Zoom Bible Study Wed. 7pm Zoom Bible Study

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### THE IMPORTANCE OF CULTURE

**NEVILLE BUCHANAN** 

Past generations of Americans grew up in a country that was proud of its culture. It had a rich heritage filled with the Statue of Liberty, Baseball, and Apple Pie.

The first need we experience as humans is the need to belong. During times of difficulty, culture helps us overcome by giving us a sense of structure, ritual, and habits.

Unfortunately, many of our "clever" thought leaders have forgotten this. They have not only underestimated how much humans need this – they have actively taught against it. Some are teaching us to feel ashamed of our heritage. Some even go further to tell us we need to be ashamed of our gender, ethnicity, and religion.

The solution is not to go to the opposite extreme – post-election I have noticed that many Americans are extremely angry. "Rather, speaking the truth in love, we are to grow up in every way into him who is the head, into Christ" (Ephesians 4:15 (ESV).

While it is essential that we raise self-confident children, we should also teach them that "in Christ Jesus you are all sons of God, through faith. For as many of you as were baptized into Christ have put on Christ. There is neither Jew nor Greek, there is neither slave nor free, there is no male and female, for you are all one in Christ Jesus" (Galatians 3:26–28 (ESV).

And, finally, we should not aid the ignorant to step into eternal damnation by neglecting to tell the truth on uncomfortable topics. It is a fact that God only created two genders – male and female (Gen.1:27). If we give up on this image of God (Rom.1:23) by "creating" a state of dysphoria then God will give us up in the lusts of our hearts to impurity, to the dishonoring of our bodies among ourselves (Rom1:24-27).

Friend, what would our world be like if everyone were kind – only speaking the truth in love?

#### **REDEMPTION OF CREATION**

**Robert Murphy** 

If I had to choose a favorite bible passage, it would probably be Romans 8. It discusses almost every major theological doctrine in the span of a chapter all while being beautifully crafted. One of the teachings in this chapter is the redemption of creation. Paul writes "For the anxious longing of the creation waits eagerly for the revealing of the sons of God. For the creation was subjected to futility, not willingly, but because of Him who subjected it, in hope that the creation itself will also be set free from its slavery to corruption into the freedom of the glory of the children of God" (8:19-21). Like us, Paul knows that this world is a broken place. After the fall of mankind in Genesis 3, destruction, decay, destruction and, ultimately, death has been a part of existence (Rom 5:17a). However, it

has not always been this way and it will not always be this way. According to the verses just quoted, God subjected creation to futility knowing that it will one day be "set free."

We, along with creation are longing for this time that the Lord will redeem his children and the rest of his creation. It is because of this hope we are able to say along with Paul, "that the sufferings of this present time are not worthy to be compared with the glory that is to be revealed to us" (8:13). I look forward to the day when we can live with each other and with God on a "new heavens and a new earth, in which righteousness dwells" (2 Peter 3:13). A place where the wolf will dwell with the lamb (Isa 11:4). A place where there is no sound of weeping and only rejoicing (Isa 65:19). May we never forget this hope that we have in our Lord and Savior Jesus Christ!

#### LIVING WISELY

Brad Herald

Proverbs 22:4 "Humility and the fear of the Lord; its wages are riches and honor a life."

Proverbs contains many strong statements about the benefits of wisdom, including long life, wealth, honor, and peace. What if you are not experiencing any of these, does this mean you are low on wisdom?

Not necessarily, because instead of providing guarantees, these statements are general principles as the book of Proverbs is often describing life the way that it should be. In a perfect world, wise behavior would always lead to these benefits. Even in our troubled world, living wisely usually results in living a blessed life, but not always.

Sometimes sin intervenes. and some blessings must be delayed until Jesus returns to establish His eternal kingdom. That is why as Christians, we must "live by faith, not by sight" (2 Corinthians 5:7"). If we believe in Christ, we can share Paul's hope and confidence of eternal life with Christ. Let this hope give you confidence in your faith and inspire you to gain wisdom and understanding of the Word. We can be sure that this wisdom ultimately leads to Jesus' blessings.



## News, Notes & Announcements...



#### SUNDAY MORNING BIBLE CLASS

Plans are underway to resume Sunday morning Bible classes. There will be one adult class and a couple for the kids split into two age groups. If you are interested in teaching, please contact Steve Proctor.

#### **FOOD PANTRY**

If you need food, or know of anyone who does, please do not hesitate to contact Sheryl Herald, Colleen Ryan, or the church office. (Porch deliveries are available for those who cannot pick-up.) Thank you for helping us serve our community.

#### SUNDAY AM SERMON:

LORD I SEEK YOU, HELP ME; PSALM 119:17-24

1. WHEN \_ A\_ THE PROBLEM, PS.119:17-18

2. WHEN T\_\_\_\_ W\_\_\_ IS THE PROBLEM,

Ps.119:19-20

3. WHEN P\_\_\_\_\_\_ IS THE PROBLEM,

Ps.119:21-24

#### CONTRIBUTION

Weekly Budget \$4,815.00 Over/Under: -\$2,902.76

Jan 24, 2020-\$2,345.00 Feb 07, 2020-\$4,147.00 YTD AVG - \$4,400.32

Jan 31, 2021-\$4,572.00 Feb 14, 2020-\$5,590.24

#### **Upcoming Events**

Feb 26-28 April 2-4 Challenge Youth Conference Lads to Leaders Convention



# Summit's Prayer List

Pray for these - Send a card - Make a call - Visit someone - Help with needs - Encourage someone today!

Dan McNeese Home on 2/19

Debbie Glenn (childhood friend of Sharon Hammer) Placed on a ventilator due to COVID; showing a bit of improvement

Dennis Ratliff (Sheryl's friend) Awaiting test results to determine if he needs surgery

Jaime (coworker of Steve Proctor) Cancer recurrence

Marshall Hill (Dalys' husband) In the hospital with pneumonia

Mike, Laura & Joey Adams Recoverin from COVID

Norma Carter Doctor appointment on 2/26 to discuss A-Fib test results

Robin Herald Recovering from COVID; remains very weak Stacie Herald Recovering from COVID

Tom Smith (former preacher at Summit) In Highland Rehab for a couple of weeks

#### Cancer

- Bev (Janie Hoskins' sister) Lung cancer
- Dan Read (Dan McNeese's friend) Chemo continues; cancer is stable
- Dave Hammer, Jr (Sharon's son) Cancer is stable.
- **Dorothy Whorley** (friend of Sharon Hammer's son) Cancer surgery on 2/26 followed by 5 weeks of radiation
- Sean Timmerding (Sheryl Herald's friend) Brain tumor is stable
- Shellee Jenkins (Melissa Denham's cousin) Beginning chemo after a mastectomy
- Tylene Clark (Sheryl Herald's cousin's wife) Cancer recurrence; recovering from a hysterectomy

#### Long-term Needs

- Ashley Holland-pray for her unborn baby's health
- COVID-healthcare/frontline workers & those who have the virus
- Daniel Skinner (Amanda Robinson's brother) Drug rehab
- Joey Adams-needs a suitable group home
- Julie Skinner (Amanda Robinson's mom) Caring for her parents who have dementia
- **Kerri Herald**-pray for her to be able to be as independent as possible
- Mandy (Candice's friend) Going through a divorce
- Peggy Holt-recovering from a stroke
- Sally Pape (Renee Carnes' mom) Short-term memory loss
- Stephanie Gilliam (Mike Hein's friend) Liver failure

#### Shut-In Members

- Clara Downard
- Dana Fuller
- Shirley Holt

World Bible School Update:

Pray for our 137 active students & 11 active teachers

#### Ongoing Requests

Ben Buchanan-Alaska mission

Neville Buchanan-counseling work

For our country and our leaders

For our members to grow in the Word

Our Community's lost souls

Summit's planning efforts for the future

Summit Family-greater love for one another

