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2021 VISION

"SEEK THE LORD"



*Christ Came, Died, was Buried,
Resurrected, & will Return*

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Sunday 11am Worship

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FLIGHT, HIDE, & FIGHT

Neville Buchanan

Recent violence has been thrust to the forefront by the media. And with this the solutions of the various political leaders. Some would focus on mental health and others on controlling or not controlling guns.

However, no one focuses on the real solution – restoring Christianity in the hearts of our population. Can you imagine if everyone wakes up tomorrow desiring to be kind, tenderhearted, and forgiving towards each other (Eph.4:32)? Can you imagine being in a country where the opinion leaders (Government & media) strive towards a UNITED States instead of division (Eph.4:29)?

But they are not, and the result is a world that is angry, entitled, and violent. To deal with the current “mass shootings” experts in self-defense are instructing all to flee, hide, and fight – in no particular order. So, here is the real solution taken from 1 John 5.

First, we must FLEE towards being BORN OF GOD by belief and baptism (Mk.16:16). To this John says: “Everyone who believes that Jesus is the Christ has been born of God, and everyone who loves the Father loves whoever has been born of him” (1 Jn.5:1). It is imperative that we escape “the defilements of the world through the knowledge of our Lord and Savior, Jesus Christ (2 Peter 2:20).

Second, we must HIDE our lives in Christ Jesus – so that it is no longer we that live but Christ who lives through us (Gal.2:20). We do this by loving God and obeying His commandments. John continues: “By this we know that we love the children of God, when we love God and obey his commandments. For this is the love of God, that we keep his commandments. And his commandments are not burdensome” (1 Jn.5:2-3).

Third, we must FIGHT. We fight the good fight and overcome the world (2 Tim. 4:8) through faith. So, John concludes: “For everyone who has been born of God overcomes the world. And this is the victory that has overcome the world—our faith. Who is it that overcomes the world except the one who believes that Jesus is the Son of God” (1 John 5:4-5)?

Friend, are you ready to restore our communities back to God? Then start now by being born of God, obeying His commandments, and boldly using faith to move all to believing that Jesus is the Son of God.



MY STRANGE BIBLE

Robert Murphy

My wife and I love to travel. I find it adventurous and risky to go somewhere that has a different language, culture, and customs. Traveling also helps me to realize that the world is so much bigger than myself and my own country. All the things that I take for granted such as handshakes, the English language, and college football have no place in these other destinations. Instead, they eat balut (Filipino street food), greet each other with kisses, and speak what sounds to me like gibberish. While I do not adapt to many of these changes since I will only be there for a week, it is respectful and obligatory that I learn and respect the culture of the place I visit.

Our familiarity with the Bible is often what makes us unattracted and even bored with God's word. We have grown up hearing it and reading it most of our lives. It has been around for 2000 years

and has not changed much since. What if we approached the Bible like an adventure? What if we thought about how exotic the Bible is and how it differs from any other book, movie, TV show, or media platform? The Bible didn't drop down from heaven in the King James Version, but was written in a foreign context, in a foreign land, in foreign languages to a foreign audience. Reading God's word is not like going to the same office every day to go to work. Reading scripture is like time traveling to a dangerous and unfamiliar land. It should fill us with excitement and wonder, not with boredom and apathy.

If you find yourself feeling bored and overly familiar with the Bible, you probably do not know it well enough. Become a refugee in the foreign land of God's word and familiarize yourself with its culture, language, and history. It is only after we journey through the contexts of the Bible that we are able to apply its meaning to our own contexts.

NO WORRIES FOR TOMORROW

Brad Herald

I heard the song "Sparrows" by Cory Asbury on K-Love radio the other day and it reminded me of the lesson Robert Murphy gave on Psalms 1 last month.

Psalms 1:1-3 (ESV) ¹Blessed is the man who walks not in the counsel of the wicked, nor stands in the way of sinners, nor sits in the seat of scoffers; ²but his delight is in the law of the Lord, and on his law he meditates day and night. ³He is like a tree planted by streams of water that yields its fruit in its season, and its leaf does not wither. In all he does, he prospers."

I highly encourage you to listen to the song "Sparrows", but here are some of the lyrics that reminded me of the lesson:

*The sparrow's not worried 'bout tomorrow
Or the troubles to come
The lily's not thinking 'bout the seasons
The drought or the flood
A tree that's planted by the water
Isn't fazed by the fire
So why should I be?*

*'Cause You take good care of me
You take good care of me
You know what I need before I even ask a thing
And You hold me in Your hands*

With a kindness that never ends

*I'm carried in Your love no matter what the future
brings*

Yeah, You take good care of me

Only two paths of life lay before us, God's way of obedience or the way of rebellion and destruction through the counsel of the wicked. Those who diligently try to obey God's will are blessed. God promises to watch over them and His wisdom guides their lives. In contrast, those who don't trust and obey God have meaningless lives that blow away like chaff.

Like the words of Psalms 1, the lyrics of the song extol the joys of obeying God's word. The sparrow is not worried about tomorrow, if I obey God's will, why should I be? A tree that's planted by the water isn't fazed by the fire, if I'm in Christ, why should I be?

As Christians, we need to be the tree planted by streams of water that is rooted and built up in Christ. We should be confident that He will take care of us with a kindness that never ends and like the tree that's not fazed by the fire, "so don't be afraid; you are worth more than many sparrows."



News, Notes & Announcements...



GRADUATION CELEBRATION

Summit will celebrate our high school and college graduates on Sunday, May 16 after the morning worship service. These are the graduates: Jacob Doerr, Jackson Guin, Gage Proctor, Alejandra Riera, Dustin Tucker, Kathryn Doss (college), Riley Jones (college), and Jenna Painter (graduate-school). Please let one of the elders' wives know if anyone is being overlooked.

Graduates, please email a senior picture and short bio to nkychurch@gmail.com to be used for the programs, and an additional 3-4 pictures to be used in the slideshow by Monday, May 10th.

SUNDAY AM SERMON:

HOW TO ANCHOR TO ASSURANCE

PSALM 119:41-48

1. MENTALLY A P _____ P _____, Ps.119:41-43
2. HEARTFELT P _____ P _____, Ps.119:44-46
3. PHYSICALLY D _____ IN A _____, Ps.119:47-48

CONTRIBUTION

Weekly Budget \$4,815.00

YTD AVG - \$5,167.89

Over/Under: +\$5,293.28

Mar 21, 2021-\$4,580.00

Mar 28, 2021-\$5,960.00

Apr 04, 2021-\$4,087.00

Apr 11, 2021-\$6,017.00

Upcoming Events

Sunday, May 16th

Monthly Report Meeting, 12:30pm

September 10-11

Ladies' Retreat at Potter's Ranch

September 24-25

Men's Retreat at Potter's Ranch



Summit's Prayer List

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

Dan McNeese Remains in the hospital with an infection and low blood pressure; will go to rehab when he leaves the hospital

Cancer

- **Bev** (Janie Hoskins' sister) Lung cancer
- **Dan Read** (Dan McNeese's friend) Cancer is stable
- **Dave Hammer, Jr** (Sharon's son) Cancer is stable
- **Dorothy Whorley** (friend of Sharon Hammer's son) Radiation
- **Jamie** (Steve Proctor's co-worker) Cancer recurrence
- **Linda Krebs** (Brad & Faith's grandma) Chemo treatments
- **Sean Timmerding** (Brad & Faith's grandma) Surgery and chemo for second brain tumor
- **Shellee Jenkins** (Melissa Denham's cousin) Chemo treatments
- **Tylene Clark** (Sheryl Herald's cousin's wife) Cancer recurrence

Long-term Needs

- **Daniel Skinner** (Amanda Robinson's brother) Will be released from drug rehab at the end of April
- **Dennis Ratliff** (Sheryl Herald's friend) Awaiting surgery for liver disease
- **Joey Adams**- Needs a suitable group home
- **Julie Skinner** (Amanda Robinson's mom) Struggling with caring for her parents who have dementia, as well as helping her son who will be released from drug rehab soon
- **Kerri Herald**- Pray for her ability to be independent as an adult
- **Mandy** (Candice's friend) Going through a divorce

- **Nick Henson**- Condition is being monitored for six weeks
- **Raye Arroyos** (Melissa Denham's mom) Steady improvement in her recovery from a stroke
- **Stephanie Gilliam** (Mike Hein's friend) Liver failure
- **Tom Smith** (former Summit preacher) Recovery from heart/lung issues is going slowly, but he is doing well.

Shut-In Members

- **Clara Downard**
- **Dana Fuller**
- **Shirley Holt**

World Bible School Update:

Pray for our 142 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

Summit's Deacons-encouragement in service

Summit's Elders-wisdom & love for the flock

Summit's Seniors-faithfulness & mentoring

Summit's Teachers-thankful for our teachers

