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2021 VISION
"SEEK THE LORD"

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WHAT IS WORSHIP?

Each of the four living creatures had six wings and was covered with eyes all around, even under its wings. Day and night they never stop saying:

"'Holy, holy, holy is the Lord God Almighty,' who was, and is, and is to come."

⁹Whenever the living creatures give glory, honor and thanks to him who sits on the throne and who lives for ever and ever,¹⁰ the twenty-four elders fall down before him who sits on the throne and worship him who lives for ever and ever. They lay their crowns before the throne and say:

11 "You are worthy, our Lord and God, to receive glory and honor and power, for you created all things, and by your will they were created and have their being." Revelation 4:8-11

As we gather on Sundays to worship our God, have you ever stopped to ask yourself what exactly are we doing? What is it that God wants from us when we worship him? Read on to see two things that should always be on our minds when we worship our God.

RECOGNIZE HIS NATURE AND POWER

The four creatures that represent the highest forms of God's creation continually call out God's holiness and his eternal nature. They never stop because there is no end to his power and majesty. It is a recognition of the raw power that exists in God.

GIVE HIM HONOR AND THANKS

The 24 elders, who once lived on earth as sinful men who were redeemed, bring another level of praise. They not only recognize the raw power and holiness of God, but they also call out his goodness, benevolence, and love. They call him worthy because of what he has done for them.

There is a huge distinction between these two kinds of praise. There is an awe that comes over weak beings when in the presence of awesome power, good or bad. Worship is more than that fearful trembling. It is gratitude for the good that God has done at such a terrible price. Only those who have experienced the release from the prison of sin can give this kind of worship. All the angels in heaven, with their awesome abilities, can't offer the kind of worship we can.



Tom, for the elders



From Neville's Desk...

BEARING ONE ANOTHER'S BURDENS

What were the burdens the heavy-laden souls brought to you this week? Was it someone feeling overwhelmed by life? Or was it a soul who found everything going from bad to worse? From day to day, I don't know who it is going to be or what the burden will be – I only know God is calling me to "bear one another's burdens" (Gal.6:2).

For Peter, Jesus ministered to his guilt-ridden soul by asking him three times if Peter loved him (Jn.21:17). Jesus knew that was the right question because He had taken the time to get to know Peter. Who can you minister to today by more fully getting to know them?

FORGIVENESS
Robert Murphy

Should we forgive people *only* if they ask for forgiveness? For instance, if someone intentionally set out to hurt me by hurting my dog, should I forgive them for their sin even though they do not show remorse? While we certainly cannot have the same reaction as John Wick, I've heard many Christians agree that we are under no obligation to forgive sins without their repentance. God only forgives sinners when they ask for forgiveness, so why would he expect us to do something that he himself does not do!?

However, the Bible teaches that this line of reasoning is incorrect. There are examples of Christians having a forgiving spirit toward others even though the sinners themselves did not ask for forgiveness. One such example is Stephen. After he stands up to the Sanhedrin council, he is stoned for blasphemy by the antagonistic Jews. His final words as he was being crushed under the weight of their hatred was, "Lord, do not hold this sin against them!" (Acts 7:60). We see a similar example from Christ himself while he is on the cross. He prays that God may forgive them of this misdeed, "Father, forgive them; for they do not know what they are doing." (Luke 23:34). Finally, if we do not forgive others who have sinned against us, our heart will grow farther from God. If we do not forgive others of their transgressions, God will not forgive us of ours (Matt 6:14-15).

Sometimes bearing one another's burden means bringing in someone to help share the burden. For Peter and Paul, it was realizing that God called them to minister to two different groups. Peter being called primarily to the Jews and Paul's focus was to the Gentiles (Gal.2:9).

At times being a burden bearer can be almost too demanding. For Jesus, that day came when he spelled out the extent of what following Him would mean. Most of the disciples left him. But His loyal 12 reassured Him that they were in for the long-haul (John 6:67-69).

Friend, the workload is huge – are you ready to step up? Then trust you have the resources you need (Acts 3:6) and serve as if you were helping our Lord Jesus Himself (Mt.25:40).



No Reason to be Nervous

Chris Ellis

Humans, by nature, become nervous. Everyone is different and we all experience a variety of things that can make us feel this way. One of the things in 2021 that I told myself I would not do was to become nervous in certain situations. Learning not to become nervous is easier said than done. We are a quarter into the new year, and I've been anxious about more things than I should have. For those that do not know, I have been vaccinated for COVID a little over two months. Before getting the first dose, my nerves were through the roof. Looking back, I wonder why the nerves were so high. As Christians, we should not be nervous. There is no reason for us to be. Even though there are times when we become nervous, such as before a big presentation, awaiting test results or whatever the case might be, the Bible tells us many times to never feel this way. We need to realize God is always with us. In Deuteronomy 31:6 Moses says, "Be strong and courageous. Do not fear or be in dread of them, for it is the LORD your God who goes with you. He will not leave you or forsake you."

This verse gives assurance that one should never be afraid or nervous. Christians are to be strong and have faith in everything. We need to live our lives without fear. The Lord will always be with us no matter what we do in life. All of us will go through different challenges in life or situations that make us scared or nervous. As the verse states, "He will not leave you or forsake you," this is all we need to get through anything in this life.

Joshua 1:5, "No man shall be able to stand before you all the days of your life. Just as I was with Moses, so I will be with you. I will not leave you or forsake you."

News, Notes & Announcements...



GRADUATION CELEBRATION

Summit will celebrate our high school and college graduates on Sunday, May 16 after the morning worship service.
Graduates, please email a senior picture and short bio to nkychurch@gmail.com to be used for the programs, and send an additional 3-4 pictures for the slideshow to Natalie Denham at nataliedenham28@yahoo.com by Saturday, May 8th.

MID-WEEK BIBLE STUDY

Beginning Wednesday, May 5th, we will meet at the building for Bible study at 7pm.

SUNDAY AM SERMON:

GOD'S ASSURED CHRISTIAN

ROMANS 8:28-39

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- 2. Assuring G______, Romans 8:29-30
- 3. Assuring B_____, Romans 8:31-39

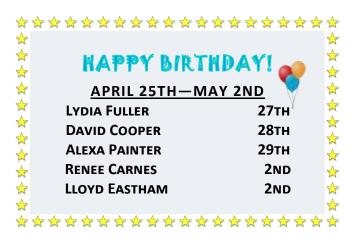
CONTRIBUTION

Weekly Budget \$4,815.00 YTD AVG - \$5,160.83 Over/Under: +\$5,533.28

Mar 28, 2021-\$5,960.00 Apr 04, 2021-\$4,087.00 Apr 11, 2021-\$6,017.00 Apr 18, 2021-\$5,055.00

Upcoming Events

Sunday, May 16th
September 10-11
September 24-25
Monthly Report Meeting, 12:30pm
Ladies' Retreat at Potter's Ranch
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 In Woodcrest Rehab; starting physical therapy this week

Harold Painter Recovering from a heart attack, will have surgery (at St E Edgewood) to insert stents as soon as the fluid around his lungs is gone

Cancer

- Bev (Janie Hoskins' sister) Lung cancer; needs surgery
- 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

