



The First Family

"To be found faithful as God's People."

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FROM YOUR PASTOR

Prison Promises

It is quite amazing what we learn or what we can learn in difficult and dark places. The book of Philippians was written by Paul while in the Mamertine Prison in Rome, but you get the impression while reading it that he is on some enchanted island enjoying the beautiful scenery. When you arrive at chapter four it feels as though you have entered one of the most holy places of scripture learning from one who has walked through some of the most difficult, dangerous, and deadly paths. The promises that are retrieved from this chapter need to be remembered in this present time. Let us linger a while in this deep place of hope and encouragement.

Verse five reminds us of the **"Presence of the Lord,"** "Let your gentleness be known to all men. The Lord is at hand." Paul could manage prison because the bars of prison could not hold out the presence of the Lord.

Verse six reminds us that **"Prayer is Heard,"** "Be anxious for nothing, but in everything by prayer and supplication, with thanksgiving, let your requests be made known to God;" Paul may have been cut off from many of his friends but his connection and communication with the Lord was never disconnected.

Verse seven reminds us of the **"Peace that Guards,"** "and the peace of God, which surpasses all understand-

ing, will guard your hearts and minds through Christ Jesus. Even with the imminent threat of death facing him, Paul slept with perfect peace.

Verse ten reminds us of the **"Providence of God,"** "But I rejoiced in the Lord greatly that now at last your care for me has flourished again; though you surely did care, but you lacked opportunity." The providence of God means that He sees to it beforehand. Someone has said, "Life is not a series of accidents but a series of appointments."

Verse thirteen reminds us of the **"Power of Christ,"** "I can do all things through Christ who strengthens me." A Christian is adequate through Jesus for the demands of life.

Verse nineteen reminds us of the **"Provision of God,"** "And my God shall supply all your need according to His riches in glory by Christ Jesus." The Lord's resources are not based on how the stock market or economy is doing.

Today is a good day to make the decision that you will stand on the promises of God!

Blessings,
Bro. Brad



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FAMILY MINISTRY NEWS

“Here is a call for the endurance of the saints, those who keep the commandments of God and their faith in Jesus.” Revelation 14:12

The Book of Revelations is an extremely hard book to understand. John, in many ways, is using a lot of symbolism and strange prophecies. You're not supposed to understand all that is written, but we can be faithful in keeping what we do understand. In verse 12 John commands us to endure and stay faithful.

I plead with you not to worry when things seem to get crazy in this world but stay faithful and keep sharing the gospel. This is what God has commanded us to do and will reward us for our faithfulness in the end. Don't get caught up in the hard and difficult things in Revelations, just rest in Jesus and share his gospel. When everything else happens you'll know the end is near and where you are going.

Wesley

MEMORIALS

Jackie Allnutt: Linda Allnutt, Dave and Susan Stowe, Mike and Barbara Ramsey

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MUSIC AND MEDIA

*“Is anyone worthy? Is anyone whole?
Is anyone able to break the seal and open the scroll?
The Lion of Judah who conquered the grave,
He is David's root and the Lamb who died to ransom
the slave.
Is He worthy? Is He worthy?
Of all blessing and honor and glory,
Is He worthy of this? He is!”*

Those are the lyrics to a song that has been playing over and over in my head for the past couple of weeks. The song is called *Is He Worthy*. It was our “Song of the Month,” during September 2019. If you remember, this song gets its main focus from Revelation 5. Andrew Peterson explains in the story behind this song that, *“this is where John is looking around and realizing that nobody can be found worthy to break the seal and open the scroll and to ascend to the Throne. He is weeping loudly because there is nobody worthy to do this thing. He is told, “now behold there is someone Who is worthy.” I love how there is also a question and answer section in the Bible, ‘Is there anyone worthy?’ And the angels answer about the power of Jesus, ‘He is.’”*

This song encourages me during this time of uncertainty. Someone said that, as Pastors and Leaders of the church, we are *“keeping our plans and schedules written down on an Etch-a-Sketch.”* That is so true! While we are unsure of the next change or move we have to make because of this pandemic, we can rest assured that we have someone who unchanging — Christ. I've had to turn to Him this week and say, *“Lord, you are worthy and I cast all of my burdens and worries onto You like it says in Psalm 55:22, because you ARE worthy!”*

As we move into this month be on the lookout for more information concerning choir. The original plan was for the choir to start back when school started back, but that plan is changing constantly. I should have an update later this month about if/when we can start meeting again.

Our new projector has been installed in the sanctuary! Make sure you check it out on Sunday morning if you join us for in-church worship.

I encourage you to cast your burdens, worries, and anxieties on the Lord. **HE IS WORTHY!**

Soli Deo Gloria,
Bro. Chuck

WEDDING SHOWER

Mariah Carr
and
Matt Stafford

August 9 at 2:00 p.m.
in the Fellowship Hall

The couple is registered at Target, Bed, Bath, and Beyond, and would be grateful for gift cards to Lowe's.



SUNDAY	MONDAY	TUESDAY	WEDNESDAY	THURSDAY	FRIDAY	SATURDAY
2 9:00 and 11:00 A.M. MORNING SERVICE P.M. Owen County Baptist Association 3:00 p.m. Session 1 5:00 p.m. Meal 6:00 p.m. Session 2	3	4	5 6:00 p.m. Word for the Children Facebook Live 5:30 p.m. Trus- tees Meeting 6:45 p.m. Busi- ness Meeting 6:45 p.m. Main Street Youth	6	7	8
9 9:00 and 11:00 A.M. MORNING SERVICE 6:30 p.m. Evening Service 6:30 p.m. Main Street Youth Wedding Shower Matt and Mariah Bring gifts to the office	10	11	12 6:00 p.m. Word for the Children Facebook Live 6:45 p.m. Mid- week service 6:45 p.m. Main Street Youth	13	14	15
16 9:00 and 11:00 A.M. MORNING SERVICE with Evangelist Wesley Paul 6:30 p.m. Even- ing Service 6:30 p.m. Main Street Youth	17	18	19 6:00 p.m. Word for the Children Facebook Live 6:45 p.m. Mid- week service 6:45 p.m. Main Street Youth	20	21	22
23 9:00 and 11:00 A.M. MORNING SERVICE 6:30 p.m. Even- ing Service 6:30 p.m. Main Street Youth	24	25 Meeting the Needs 11:00 a.m.-1:00 p.m. 6:00-8:00 p.m.	26 6:00 p.m. Word for the Children Facebook Live 6:45 p.m. Midweek Service 6:45 p.m. Main Street Youth	27	28	29
30 9:00 and 11:00 A.M. MORNING SERVICE 6:30 p.m. Evening Service 6:30 p.m. Main Street Youth	31					

PRAYER CONCERNS



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KYLE BAKER	GRAN MEFFORD	<u>8/2</u> Vicki Hudson	<u>8/16</u> Denny O'Toole	<u>8/28</u> Lauren Bielawski
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