

"If I don't have
love, I am
nothing at all."

1 Corinthians 13:2

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FROM YOUR PASTOR

The Greatest of these. . .

Faith, hope, and love, three powerful words. These three words take up a lot of space in the Bible and we learn much about the benefits and need of each one of them. Just reflect on how important faith is in the matter of salvation and in living out our salvation. Then there is hope. What would we do if there was no hope? That is a depressing thought. Faith and hope, powerful and necessary to live now and to have assurance of our eternal destination. Yet, the Bible reveals there is something greater than both, love. Faith and hope will eventually be swallowed up in reality but love has an eternal purpose. It was love that moved God to provide a way for lost humanity. This love can now be our gift and continuous possession. I pray that our church will be quick to demonstrate what Paul says in Romans 12:10, "Be kindly affectionate to one another with brotherly love, in honor giving preference to one another." He repeats this theme in Hebrews 13:1, "Let brotherly love continue."

Let 's allow the love of God to possess us and become a vessel in which His love flows out and on those who are living in a loveless society. Remember, love covers a multitude of sins!

I am saddened to announce that we will have to forego our annual Valentine Banquet. We will look forward to making it a big celebration next year. We are hoping to restart Sunday School on March 7. The new time will be 10:00 a.m. We will keep you posted if this date changes. The North American Mission Offering will be received on February 28 and March 7. This supports our missionaries and church planters here in the United States and Canada.

I will kick off a new series in Daniel during the month of February. We will see how it is possible to live Godly in an ungodly age. Let's exalt the Savior through daily worship, encourage the saints through daily fellowship and weekly corporate worship, and evangelize the sinner through daily sharing the gospel.

Blessings,

Bro. Brad

And now these three
remain: faith, hope and
love. But the greatest
of these is love.
~1 Corinthians 13:13

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We will have a special emphasis
collection on February 28 and March 7.

Pray and Give as the Lord leads!

FAMILY MINISTRY NEWS

I wrote this the other day after my quiet time with the Lord. I think it is a sweet reminder that he wants us to come to him in our weaknesses.

Don't believe the lie that you need to have your act together before coming to church.

"And great crowds came to him, bringing with them the lame, the blind, the crippled, the mute, and many others, and they put them at his feet, and he healed them,"
Matthew 15:30.

Jesus actually wants your mess! Right after this passage we read in verse 32 that he had compassion on the crowd because they had been following for three days and had nothing to eat. He feeds them until they are all full.

Following Jesus isn't a set of rules but a life of relying on him for our every need. It isn't a life of perfections, but a witness about one who is perfect. Life is messy, no one is perfect in this world. We are all plagued with sin and it is slowly killing our bodies. Only those who profess faith in Christ will be perfect one day and will be alive, when he calls us up with him. Until then, we must come daily to our savior in need of his healing. He rejects no one!

In his grace,
Wesley

MUSIC AND MEDIA

Welcome to February church family!

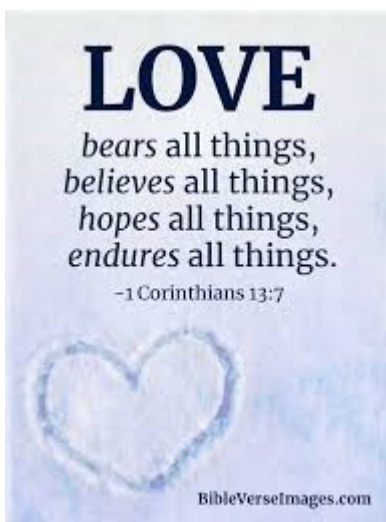
I want to encourage you this month to start worshipping daily. Now, some of you may already do this and that's great! What do I mean by worshipping daily? Well, it means to take time out of your day to worship God. Whether that means praying, thanking God for His blessings, singing in your car on the way to work, or having your own mini worship service in your home, worship needs to be a part of our every day life.

One of the most common "lies" we believe about worship is that it is only done on Sunday mornings. Worship is an everyday thing. Private worship is the foundation and preparation for corporate worship. Our God deserves it everyday! David said in Psalm 119:164, "Seven times a day I praise you for your righteous rules." He praised God 7 times a day! Sometimes we can't even do 20 minutes on a Sunday morning, right? One of my favorite quotes is, *"Trying to genuinely worship publicly without having had significant times of private worship is like having the dry heaves. You're trying to bring up something that isn't there."* So, take the time this month to really work on your private worship. If we all worship individually, our time together on Sunday will be even more glorifying to God!

Lastly, I want to take a moment to say THANK YOU. This month marks my 8th year as your Worship & Media Pastor. Even through sicknesses, quarantines, and shut-downs, this church kept on worshipping and praising our Heavenly Father. I am proud to be on staff here at Owenton First Baptist, and I am truly blessed to call all of you my church family.

Soli Deo Gloria,

Bro. Chuck



February

SUNDAY	MONDAY	TUESDAY	WEDNESDAY	THURSDAY	FRIDAY	SATURDAY
	1	2	3 6:30 p.m. Midweek Service 6:30 p.m. Main Street Youth	4	5	6
7 9:00 and 11:00 a.m. Morning Service 6:30 p.m. Evening Service 6:30 p.m. Main Street Youth 7:30 p.m. Deacon's Meeting	8	9	10 5:30 p.m. Trustees Meeting 6:30 p.m. Midweek Service and Business Meeting 6:30 p.m. Main Street Youth	11	12	13
14 9:00 and 11:00 Morning Service 6:30 p.m. Evening Service 6:30 p.m. Main Street Youth	15	16	17 6:30 p.m. Midweek Service 6:30 p.m. Main Street Youth	18	19	20
21 9:00 and 11:00 Morning Service 6:30 p.m. Evening Service 6:30 p.m. Main Street Youth	22	23 Meeting the Needs 11:00 a.m.-1:00 p.m. 6:00-8:00 p.m.	24 6:30 p.m. Midweek Service 6:30 p.m. Main Street Youth	25	26	27
28 9:00 and 11:00 Morning Service NAM OFFERING 6:30 p.m. Evening Service 6:30 p.m. Main Street Youth	1	 <p><i>We love because he first loved us!</i></p> <p>1 JOHN 4:19</p>				

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