May 29, 2022

Announcements Danny Shackelford

> Song Leader Larry Wood

Scripture Reading Ricky Cissom

**Opening Prayer** Larry Woood (A.M.) Young Men (P.M.)

**Closing Prayer** David Smith (A.M.) Young Men (P.M.)

> Lord' s Table Bryan Davis

Count and Usher Kevin Shackelford & Logan Yancey

Wednesday Night Song Leader Logan Yancey (06/01/22)

### **OUR RECORD**

May 22, 2022 Sunday Bible Study: 81 Sunday Morning Worship: 106 Sunday Evening Worship: 78 Wednesday Night Bible Study: 95

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WHAT MUST I DO TO BE SAVED?

1. Hear the Gospel (Romans 10:13-17).

2. Believe the Gospel (Acts 15:7;Mark 16:15, 16).

- 3. Repent of Sins (Acts 3:19).
- 4. Confess Faith in Christ (Acts 8:37).

5. Be Baptized for Remission of Sins(Acts 2:38).

6. Be Faithful (Revelation 2:10).



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#### How's Your "Wait"? By: David Sproule

How deep is your devotion to God? How lasting is your love? How fervent is your faith? How true is your trust? How determined is your dependence on Him?

One of our favorite verses of comfort and reassurance is Isaiah 40:31 — "But those who wait on the Lord shall renew their strength; They shall mount up with wings like eagles, They shall run and not be weary, They shall walk and not faint." Don't you just love that verse!

**Do you wait on the Lord?** Oh, we are not good waiters! Go to almost any restaurant (fast-food especially) and you will find customers who are not good waiters. Look inside most of our homes and you're bound to find at least one family member who is not a good waiter. What does it mean to "wait on the Lord"? Let the Bible define this concept by looking to other passages that discuss this great thought.

"I will look to the Lord; I will wait..." (Mic. 7:7). "...To those who wait for Him, to the soul who seeks Him" (Lam. 3:25). "It is good that one should hope and wait ... " (Lam. 3:26). "Rest in the Lord, and wait..." (Psa. 37:7). "My soul, wait silently for God alone, for my expectation is from Him" (Psa. 62:5). Think about these words in bold — Waiting on the Lord requires looking to Him, seeking Him, hoping in Him. resting in Him. expecting that all good things and all the needs of our lives will come from Him! Note these adverbs that modify **HOW** we are supposed to wait: "patiently" (Psa. 37:7), "silently" (Psa. 62:5), "quietly" (Lam. 3:26). That takes trust!

What else is involved in waiting on the Lord? "Wait on the Lord; **Be of good courage**" (Psa. 27:14). "Wait patiently for Him; **Do not fret**" (Psa. 37:7). "Wait on the Lord, and **keep His way**" (Psa. 37:34). "My soul waits, and **in His word I do hope**" (Psa. 130:5).

Waiting on the Lord involves **patiently trusting** Him to take care of you in the best way that He knows how (which is better than the way we know). Waiting on the Lord involves **quietly expecting** all good things to come from Him. Waiting on the Lord involves **humbly obeying** His word and His way, yielding my will to His will!

So, if we wait on the Lord, what are His promises? "He shall **strengthen** your heart" (Psa. 27:14), "**exalt you**" (Psa. 37:34), "**save you**" (Prov. 20:22), "**hear**" you (Mic. 7:7), and "**bless**" you (Isa. 30:18). "The Lord is **good** to those who wait for Him" (Lam. 3:25). He will continually provide **renewed strength**, **soaring success and unwearied drive to serve** (Isa. 40:31). Are you waiting on the Lord? Read those questions in the first paragraph again. Are you really waiting on Him?

#### A Christian's Reaction to Stressful Times Dan Jenkins

The situation in Jerusalem was one of danger. immense The northern kingdom of Israel was being overrun by the Assyrians, and in the southern kingdom the holy city of Jerusalem was being threatened by the same army that had invaded the north. Isaiah was in that city, and his writings allow us to sense what was happening. To study this event gives tremendous insight into how individuals react to stressful times.

Stressful times should create humble hearts before God. Isaiah said, "And in that day the Lord God of hosts called for weeping and for mourning, for baldness and for girding with sackcloth" (Isa. 22:12). Had Judah looked around them they would have seen how dire the circumstances were. The city was not only being threatened by Assyrians but the armies of Kir (Syria) and Elam (Persia) were also part of the attacking forces (Isa. 22:6). The valleys around the holy city were filled with chariots of the enemy, and there were breaches (gaps) in the walls (Isa. 22:7-9). It was a time when the Jews should have been on their knees, clothed in the sackcloth of repentance. Such simply was not happening!

Stressful times are times when we foolishly seek comfort in material things. God had called for repentance, "But instead, joy and gladness, slaving oxen and killing sheep, eating meat and drinking wine: 'Let us eat and drink for tomorrow we die'" (Isa. 22:13)! How remarkable it is that we ignore the God of all comfort when we really need comfort. This is the avenue of escape those with addictions seek, but the seeking of comfort in material things is also the route taken by many. When adversity comes our way we no longer spend time with His word. We become sporadic in church attendance. We push the spiritual out of our lives in so many ways. The "let us eat and drink for tomorrow we die" philosophy is such a fatalistic view of life. It may be the only source the ungodly have, but Christians have an amazing source of spiritual comfort and hope.

Stressful times either bring us closer to God or distance us from Him. How closely we live to God is determined by us. James said, "Draw near to God and He will draw near to you" (James 4:8). When we humble ourselves before Him, He always lifts us up (James 4:10). The adversity in the days of Isaiah became Satan's tool to destroy spirituality in Jerusalem, when it could have been the instrument used by God to create greater spirituality. Israel decided which it would be.

So the next time you are burdened, just remember that you determine if that situation is a blessing or a curse!

## **UPCOMING EVENTS**

# CHAPMAN YOUTH NIGHT May 29, 2022 at 6 PM Speaker: Donnie DeBord

We will have a meal following services at the fellowship building. Everyone is invited to stay and enjoy the meal and fellowship. *Ladies bring finger foods. Dessert will be provided.* 

# SENIORS DAY Will Be Soon

After evening services in fellowship hall. Congratulations to our 2022 graduating high school senior:

**Brice Lindley** Please make plans to join us in wishing him well in his future endeavors.

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Remember count your blessings, pray for our lost ones, the sick, the world and the brokenhearted.

**SICK:** Doris Williford, Mark Lindley, Wayne Vandygriff

**HOSPITAL:** Joy Simmons (New Albany), Jodie Criswell (TCH), Cortney Cissom (Rehab)

•EXTENDED ILLNESS: Junior Derrick, Jane Morrison, Patti Hall, George Doss, Joanie Kate Reese, Louise Pannell, Jimmy & Thad Berryman

•CANCER: Jimmie Wayne Roberson, Johnnie Carpenter, Kevin Clifton, Austin Wentz, Steve Barnes (Mickey & Gail Chandler's Son-in-law), Betty Faye Ledbury, •SHUT-INS: *Tippah County Health* 

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