

Sunday April 1, 2012

Words of Hope in A Hopeless Hour (John 14)

Areas of Jesus' promised hope in life.....

- There is Jesus' promised hope for **TOMORROW**.
 - Promise of a heavenly **HOME**.

 - Promise of a heavenly **HOMECOMING**.

- There is Jesus' promised **HELP** for today.
 - Jesus promises help in **SALVATION**.

 - Jesus promises help in **SURRENDER**.

 - Jesus promises help in **STILLNESS**.

 - Jesus promises help in **THE SPIRIT**.

Sunday March 25, 2012

When Miracles Happen (John 2:1-11)

Miracles happen when.....

- We understand that Jesus cares about our EVERYDAY NEEDS.
 - There is nothing too ORDINARY to pray about.

- We understand that Jesus TRANSFORMS our everyday experiences.
 - Jesus has a way of taking ordinary making it EXTRAORDINARY.

 - Jesus does not want to rearrange you, He wants to TRANSFORM.

- We understand that Jesus EXTRAVAGANTLY provides for our everyday requests.
 - Jesus never gives just enough; He ALWAYS gives superabundantly.

 - Jesus waited until their resources had RUN DRY before he performed the miracle.

Sunday March 18, 2012

The Invitation to Consider (John 1:35-42)

Consider the CLAIMS.....

- Jesus Is The SAVIOR Of Sinners.
- Jesus Is The SACRIFICE For Sin

Consider the CALL.....

- The INTEREST Of The Disciples
- The INVESTIGATION Of The Disciples
- The INVITATION To The Disciples

Consider the CHANGES.....

- They Wanted To STAY WITH Jesus
- They Wanted To SHARE Jesus.

Consider the INVITATION.....

- COME To Jesus.
- Don't just TRY Him, SURRENDER to Him totally.

Sunday March 11, 2012

The Message in the Meal (Matthew 26:17-31).

The Message In The Meal is a message.....

1. In the PAIN of His Sacrifice.
 - Our salvation cost the Lord Jesus Christ HIS LIFE.
 - Jesus' sacrifice is proof of His LOVE for sinners.

2. In the EXPOSURE of our hearts.
 - At the Lords' Supper every disciple must invite the Lord's EXAMINATION.

3. In the PROMISES to His followers.
 - The promise of His RESURRECTION.
 - The promise of His RETURN.

4. In the promises given to the SINNER.
 - The CROSS was for the lost sinner.
 - The EMPTY TOMB is for the lost sinner.
 - Eternal salvation is for the lost sinner who REPENTS and accepts Jesus Christ.

February 12, 2012

**“A Champion Does the Right Thing!
(Puah and Shiphrah)” (Exodus 1:15-22)**

1. A champion FEARS GOD more than people.

- When man’s law contradicts God’s law, we are faced with a CHOICE.
- When we choose the right road (Christian life) we begin a TRANSFORMATION process.
- Fear of God means you love Him with a PASSIONATE affection.

2. A champion chooses LIFE over DEATH.

- Lying is never right but LIFE is always the right choice.
- God is PRO-LIFE and God is also PRO-CHOICE.
- God loves us so much He advises us to CHOOSE life.

3. A champion’s choices produce LASTING results.

- The SMALL choices you make now can have enormous consequences later.
- It is important to you to DO THE RIGHT THING—every time.
 - When you do the right thing, there are always POSITIVE results.

The Disproportionate Life. (Galatians 6:1–7)

God awesome principle.

- **Carry your own LOAD.**
 - Do not **COMPARE** your opportunities with other people's opportunities.
 - God is a **PERFECT** Father; He is never **DECEIVED**; He is never **MOCKED**; He always **KNOWS** what is going on.

- **You REAP what you sow.**
 - God loves us so much He made this principle **PREDICTABLE**.
 - Men have abandoned their homes because:
 - They have abandoned **GOD**.
 - They are **AFRAID**.
 - They are **WEAK**.
 - What is reaped is always **GREATER** than what is sown.

- **You reap BENEFIT from sowing good.**
 - Ask yourself honestly what part of the situation is about **YOU**.
 - Begin to do the things you should have been doing **ALL ALONG**.
 - The rewards you receive for doing good are often **BIGGER** than you deserve.

January 29, 2012

When God was At His Best. (Genesis 1:11-24.)

God was at His best when.....

God created the HEAVENS?

God created HUMAN BEINGS?

God performed MIRACLES?

God SENT His Son?

God FORGIVES our sins?

God is at his best when.....

God SAVES LOST SOULS.

January 22, 2012

“A Champion Takes Risks!” (1 Samuel 25:1-13)

Abigail is a supermodel of faith, because she teaches us that:

- **RECKLESS** behavior isn't the same as a calculated risk.
 - The key to success as a champion for God is to have a **WILLINGNESS** to take risks for God.
 - Abigail's calculation for success was based upon the **CHARACTER** of God.
 - Whenever you calculate a risk with God's **POWER** added, it's not a risk anymore.
- A risk-taker **CHOOSES** to wager it **ALL** on God.
 - The key about a seed is you must:
 - **PLANT** it.
 - **INVEST** it in the soil.
 - **SPEND** it.
- Whenever you **TRUST GOD** the reward outweighs the risk!
 - The greatest reward you will ever receive is when you are **WILLING** to take a risk for God.
 - What the world calls risky behavior, the Bible simply calls a **STEP OF FAITH**.

January 15, 2012

“Champions Conquer Fear!” (2 Samuel 23:20-23.)

- LION-CHASER LESSON ONE:

- Your greatest opportunities are often disguised as GOD-SIZED challenges
 - HUMAN-sized challenges are those you can handle on your own.
 - God sized challenges cannot be faced without SUPERNATURAL POWER of God.

- LION-CHASER LESSON TWO:

- Your greatest fear to conquer is the fear of FAILURE.
- FEAR and FAITH are mutually exclusive and cannot occupy the same place in your mind simultaneously.

- LION-CHASER LESSON THREE:

- Your greatest satisfaction in life will come from accumulating EXPERIENCES, not POSSESSIONS.
- Real heroes and champions are the one who willingly lay down their LIVES for others.

Sunday Morning Sermon
January 8, 2012

Finding Hope in Chaos

Psalm 93:1-3

Romans 8:18-25

Revelation 21:1-5

The entire Bible declares the story of an unshakeable hope in the Living God.

- God is the ONLY source of hope.
 - God SPEAKS and he separates the water from the land.
 - God is more POWERFUL than chaos.
 - Hope is to be found in NOTHING in this world, hope is found in God ALONE.
- God is WITH US through chaos.
 - When CHAOS appears to be winning we find HOPE from fact that God is with us.
- God will TRIUMPH over evil.

A day is coming that.....

 - All chaos, diseases, brokenness, is going to be turned into GOOD.
 - The sea will be NO MORE.

Sunday Morning March 4, 2012

Jesus: The Word of God Cont.

(John 1:1-15)

A picture of Jesus.

1. Jesus is the PREEXISTENT Word.
 - He Is The CONSTANT Word.
 - The Christian can DEPEND on Jesus.
 - He will never FAIL us nor leave us.
 - He Is The COMMUNING Word.
 - He Is The CONTROVERSIAL Word.
 - He Is The CREATIVE Word.
2. Jesus is the PROCLAIMING Word.
 - Jesus came to REVEAL God to man.
 - Jesus came to proclaim LIGHT.
 - Jesus came to proclaim LIFE.
3. Jesus is the PERSONALIZED Word.
 - At Bethlehem, Jesus became a tangible PROOF of the existence of God and of God's willingness to SAVE mankind.
 - Jesus in His growing years was MATURING just like us.
 - Jesus did not give up His attributes of power, presence, and all-knowingness, but He submitted their EXERCISE in His life to His Father's DIRECTION.
 - God's greatest GLORY was revealed the day He allowed Himself to be nailed to a cross and died for sinners.
 - Jesus can RELATE to us.

April 8, 2012

The Living Christ (Luke 23:55–24:5)

- 1. The living Christ tells us there is still HOPE.**
- 2. The presence of the living Christ is life CHANGING.**
- 3. We must allow the living Christ to CHANGE US.**
- 4. Everywhere DEATH is, the risen Christ comes and brings LIFE.**
- 5. The Living Christ assures us of God's:**

FORGIVENESS.

POWER.

Ultimate TRIUMPH.

April 15, 2012

Cleaning House! (John 2:12-25)

Inside God's House.....

- Sometimes it is appropriate to get angry when the things of God are being **DEFILED**.
- Christians need to have **RIGHTEOUS** zeal about the things of God.
- Jesus is speaking at a **SPIRITUAL** level and His hearers understand Him at a physical level.
- Jesus knows who truly **EMBRACE** Him as Savior and Lord.

Life's Lessons.....

- Do not **MISUSE** the Lord's sanctuary.
 - The temple was being misused because it was not **RESPECTED**.
 - We allow **SIN** to rent space in our hearts and contaminate them.
- Do not misinterpret the Lord's **WORD**.
 - Christianity is about **RELATIONSHIP**.
 - Christianity is about repenting of our sins and placing our **FAITH** in Christ.
- Do not mistake the Lord's **SALVATION**.
 - Your faith can be **SUPERFICIAL**.
 - Faith is only adequate when it is in Jesus Christ, the **PERSON**.