

ELCOME VISITORS! Thank you for joining us today to worship the Lord. If this is your first visit here, please honor us by filling out a visitor's card found on the back of each pew. Your prayer requests may also be made on the

flip side of the card. At the close of service, please put your card in the contribution box at the front of the auditorium as you exit. Or you can hand it to any member.

During the service we will celebrate communion. (Sacraments are available on the table in the entry foyer.) This is a time that we partake of unleavened bread and juice from the fruit of the vine to remind us what Jesus has done for us. Communion is not only about Jesus' death, but his resurrection and triumph over death and sin. His resurrection is the source of our hope that God will fulfill his promise of eternal life through Jesus the Christ.

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Worship Services:	Sunday 10:00 am
Bible Study:	Wednesday 7:00 pm
Men's Group:	2nd & 4th Tuesdays, 7:00 pm
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CELEBRATE

<u>November Birthdays</u>

Wanda Bryant Jeff Tschoepe Nancy Goochey Bill Jones	Nov 1 Nov 8 Nov 13 Nov 17	Nolan Montgomery Samuel Flaherty Andy Jewell Melva Campbell	Nov 19 Nov 20 Nov 26 Nov 29
John Snell	Nov 17	Tom Reynolds	Nov 30
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The Chosen - Season 3, Episodes 1&2

If you are interested in joining a group to see the first 2 episodes of season 3 of The Chosen—don't forget to sign up on the sheet in the North foyer.

Ridgmar Cinemark on November 20 at 3:45 appears to be the date/time/ theatre of choice. This will be the day of our Holiday Meal (3rd Sunday).

Knowing the popularity of this series I will need to purchase the block of 20 seats soon, so please be sure to sign up TODAY.

Ticket price \$10.50 plus tax. At the time of purchase they were \$12.50.

After the theatre debut, the entire season will be available as usual in a free weekly episode release beginning sometime in December I believe.

Sherry

Hebrews 12:7-8

⁷ Endure hardship as discipline; God is treating you as his children. For what children are not disciplined by their father? ⁸ If you are not disciplined—and everyone undergoes discipline—then you are not legitimate, not true sons and daughters at all.

ON-GOING STUDIES

Westworth Tuesday Men's Group



The Men's Bible Study Group plans to begin meeting in the homes of participants. If you would like to join this group, please contact Tom Reynolds or Bill Jones for details of date, time and place—or to get in the rotation for 'hosting'.

This is intended to be a special time of fellowship for the men of the congregation (and friends and neighbors) to share from the Word and develop a closer brotherhood. Hope you will add this to your calendar.

Wednesday Night Bible Study—Each week @ 7pm—Activity Bldg. "What happened between Malachi and Matthew?"

"Did you ever wonder what God was doing during the time between the Old and New Testament. We know what He did during the Old Testament and New Testament. But, how did He prepare the world for the coming of His Son during the silent time. The time between the Testaments. Come to Wednesday night Bible Study and learn more about it. David Keller"

Thursdays Women's Virtual Bible Study





encing. Tracy Robertson. 817-308-0554 or snowgirlntx@yahoo.com

Current Study: <u>Encountering God</u>—Cultivating Habits of Faith through the Spiritual Disciplines

by Kelly Minter

THE PEACE JESUS OFFERS

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Final installment of material from the front page article is **House to House Heart to Heart** *publication.* (vol 27, #9)

How does the Bible picture the peace Jesus gives?

CHRISTIANS ARE RESIDENTS OF GOD'S CITY OF REFUGE

In ancient Israel, God designated six cities, three on each side of the Jordan River, as cities of refuge.

Manslayers rushed to them for protection from avengers of blood (near kinsmen with authority to take life for life) (cf. Genesis 9:6; Exodus 21:23; Leviticus 24:17). If a manslayer stayed there, he was protected. If he left, he could be killed (Numbers 35:26-28; Joshua 10:1-9).

Humanity's avenger of death is Satan (John 8:44; Revelation 12:9). He prowls, looking to devour (1 Peter 5:8). The whole world is guilty of manslaughter, for man's sins killed Jesus (Hebrews 6:6). Though we did not personally participate, we have personally sinned, so we are culpable (Romans 3:23; 6:23). If we continue wandering in sin, eventually death will catch us, and we will fall into the avenger's hands (2 Thessalonians 2:9-12).

The church is God's city of refuge. It is a sanctuary from condemnation (Romans 8:1). Those who have fled to Jesus for protection have found strong consolation (Hebrews 6:17-19). He is a "refuge and strength, a very present help in trouble" (Psalm 46:1, 7, 11; 62:7-8; Proverbs 14:26; 18:10; John 15:4-5).

Satan cannot get to those in the city, so he tries to lure them out (James 1:13-15). The New Testament epistles were primarily written to exhort Christians to remain in the city—faithful to Christ in the church (1 Corinthians 9:27; 15:58; Hebrews 3:14; 2 Peter 1:5-11; Revelation 2:10; 22:14). If we do, Satan cannot condemn us (Romans 5:1-2).

CHRISTIANS ARE TRAVELERS IN THE CLEFT OF THE ROCK

One caught in the wilderness by a sudden, violent storm looks for a rocky over hang or a shallow cave to protect from lightning, wind and rain.

Every life faces storms—health problems, family issues, financial crises, loss, tragedy, death, depression, or hardship. Storms come with living in a fallen world among sinful people.

When Moses faced a storm, God said, "I will put you in the cleft of the rock" (Exodus 33:22). He does this for His children today. Songs celebrate this truth. Augustus Toplady wrote (1776), "Rock of Ages, cleft for me, let me hide myself in thee." Cleland McAfee wrote (1903) "There is a place of quiet rest, near to the heart of God; a place where sin cannot molest, near to the heart of God."

David said, "The Lord is my rock and my fortress and my deliverer; my God, my strength, in whom I will trust; my shield and the horn of my salvation, my stronghold" (Psalm 18:2). "The beloved of the Lord shall dwell in safety by Him, who shelters him all the day long" (Deuteronomy 33:12).

CHRISTIANS ARE MEMBERS OF CHRIST'S BODY

In Jesus, His disciples have peace and can be of good cheer (John 16:33).

God's blessings have often been restricted to locations:

- The tree of life was in the Garden of Eden. When Adam and Eve were driven from Eden, they had no access to the tree's blessings (Genesis 3:24)
- Salvation from the flood was in the ark. All outside perished (Genesis 6-9).
- When firstborn children in Egypt faced the plague of death, safety was in houses where the Passover lamb's blood was sprinkled on the doorpost (Exodus 12).
- Rahab was saved in the house with the scarlet cord (Joshua 2: 6:25).
- Paul said in a storm: "Unless these men stay in the ship, you can-

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not be saved" (Acts 27:31).
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Peace, prosperity, and safety are where God placed them—in the church (Ephesians 1:3; 3:21; cf. Psalm 122.7). Being in Christ is synony-mous with being a member of His church (Galatians 3:26-27; Ephesians 1:22; 4:4). Some of the blessings found in Christ (a phrase Paul used 169 times) include the following:

- Redemption (Romans 3:24; Colossians 1:14)
- Peace (Romans 5:1)
- Joy (Romans 5:11)
- Grace (Romans 5:17)
- Abundant life (Romans 6:11; John 10:10)
- Eternal life (Romans 6:22; Ephesians 1:3-13; 1 John 5:11)
- Newness of life (Romans 6:4)
- Forgiveness (Ephesians 1:7)
- Salvation (2 Timothy 2:10; Acts 4:12; John 14:6)

Since all spiritual blessings are in Christ (Ephesians 1:3) and none are outside, to have them one must be in the church.

How does one get into Christ? Only three Scriptures answer that question, and they all say the same thing—one is baptized into Christ (Galatians 3:27; Romans 6:3; 1 Corinthians 12:13).

One is brought **to** Christ by hearing the gospel (Romans 10:13-14); believing it (Hebrews 11:6); repenting of sins (Acts 17:30; Luke 13:3); and confessing Christ (Matthew 10:32-33; Romans 10:10). One is brought **into** Christ by baptism.

Is there a storm in your heart that Jesus can calm?

JUST FOR FUN

Bible Facts Quiz

12. Maher-Shalal-Hash-Baz

 1. 66
 2. 31,102
 3. 39
 4. 27
 5. 40
 6. 2 John 71. Esther 8:9

 8. Psalm 117
 9. Psalm 119
 10. John 11:35
 a11. Esther 8:9

Sunday, November	· 6,	2022	
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	WORSHIP SCHEDULE			
	Date	Today—November 6, 2022		
Trustee in charge for November: Curtis Dunson	Open	Eric Kreger		
	Usher	Curtis Dunson		
	Songs/Close	Christian Lindsey		
	Prayer	Johnny Box		
	Communion	David Keller		
	Bible Story/ Kids Church	Eric Kreger / Susan Flaherty & Sherry jONES		
	Reading	John Snell		
stee i	Lesson/Sermon	Bob Mullen		
Tru:	A/V	Christi Kreger		

COMING WEEKS

Date	November 13	November 20	Nov 27
Open	Curtis Thompson	Brian Flaherty	Curtis Dunson
Usher	Bill Jones	Eric Kreger	Jonathan Dunson
Songs/Close	Eric Kreger	Samuel Flaherty	Curtis Dunson
Prayer	Max Lisle	Mike Lisle	Bill Jones
Communion	Sharold Ferris	Bill Jones	Curtis Thompson
Bible Story Kids Church	Curtis Dunson / Sherri Dunson & Tracy Robertson	Brian Flaherty / David & Hettie Keller	Mike Lisle / Blair Montgomery & Sarah Thompson
Reading	Ernie Brawley	Marty Montgomery	Brian Flaherty
Lesson	Kent Benfer	David Keller	Bob Mullen
A/V	Randy Fetters	Susan Flaherty	Christi Kreger

Communion Preparation November: Janice Stanfield - 8 -