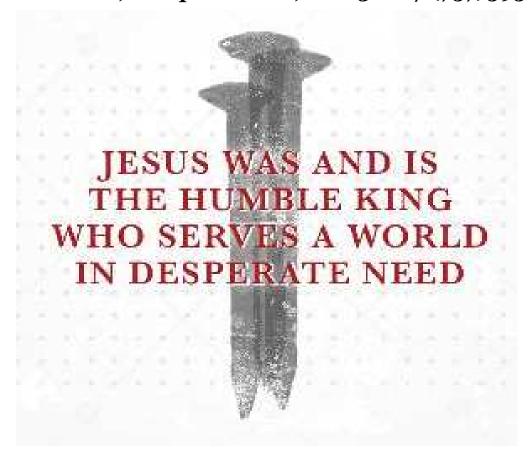
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During our remembrance of the 40 days leading up to Jesus' crucifixion, how exciting it is to be sharing again this week, moving toward Easter in our new message series called, "Passion."

Remember, while Jesus was hanging on the cross, it wasn't the nails that kept Him there. It wasn't the threat of the Roman legions or the hatred of the Jewish elite. Rather, it was His passion for humanity that led Him to take the punishment of our sins upon Himself. Jesus gave up His life so that we might have eternal life.

As we learned last week, He was fueled by unconditional and sacrificial love. And God the Father, *so loved the world*, that He gave His one and only son. God gave us the greatest gift, Jesus, through whom we might all experience everlasting life and forgiveness.

This Sunday, we are going to learn the secret power of humble love. Been needing to feel that love this Easter?... It's time to come home to God...

Join us live at HBC, 10:00 am this Sunday for an exciting word from the Lord... – Or tune into Facebook Live at and encourage others to join in with you!

Let's Surrender Our Thoughts...

"In your relationships with one another, have the same mindset as Christ Jesus: Who, being in very nature[a] God, did not consider equality with God something to be used to his own advantage; rather, he made himself nothing by taking the very nature of a servant, being made in human likeness. And being found in appearance as a man, he humbled himself by becoming obedient to death— even death on a cross!"

Philippians 2:5-11

Have you surrendered everything you have to God? Have you surrendered your thoughts to God... including your mindset? George Bernard Shaw said, "Those who cannot change their minds cannot change anything." And if you're going to think like Christ and have the mindset of Christ, I imagine most of us here today, need some drastic mental reform.

Thankfully, the Bible has some very specific instruction and encouragement about the mind and the thoughts therein. One of the most well-known comes from the book of Philippians which says, "whatever is true, whatever is noble, whatever is right, whatever is pure, whatever is lovely, whatever is admirable—if anything is excellent or praiseworthy—think about such things." Philippians 4:8

So often our thoughts wander off into deep and dark territory. We can get ourselves "stuck" somewhere and even begin to believe things that simply aren't true. I'm sure there are many here today who would say they struggle with this very thing.

The antidote, Paul says, is to focus your thoughts on true things, noble things, praiseworthy things, pure and lovely things, and anything that is admirable. Which is easier said than done obviously, but it's a good reminder for when the mind starts to wander. And it's a great place to start if you want to have the mindset of Christ.

But the other encouragement, from Romans 12:2 gives us some extremely practical mindset advice:

"Do not conform to the pattern of this world, but be transformed by the renewing of your mind. Then you will be able to test and approve what God's will is—his good, pleasing and perfect will."

Do not conform to the patterns of the world, they're not going to give you the mindset of Christ. Instead, be transformed by the renewing of your mind, through the power of the Spirit through the reading of the scriptures and prayer. Then, you will better know the will of God. And always remember, the will of God was at the forefront of the mind of Christ.

The Hilton Baptist Church Record

Lynwood Wells, Pastor March 12, 2024

Budget \$3780.00

Budget Designated- Use of Church \$300.00

Annie Armstrong \$520.00

Cash in Cashout – Sonshine Kids \$25.00

Food Pantry \$50.00

Total Deposit \$4675.00

Annie Armstrong Easter Offering

Amount Collected to date

\$880.00

<u>Calendar</u>

Tuesday, March 12th

1pm-2pm Food Distribution

Wednesday, March 13th

7pm Bible Study

Thursday, March 14th

1pm-2pm Food Distribution

<u>Sunday, March 17th</u>

9:00am Discipleship Class
10:00am Live Worship at HBC
10:00am Sonshine Kids
Happy St. Patrick's Day

Tuesday, March 19th

1pm-2pm Food Distribution

Wednesday, March 20th

1pm Projects with a Purpose Stuffing Easter Eggs

7pm Bible Study

Thursday, March 21st

1pm-2pm Food Distribution

Saturday, March 23rd

11-2pm Kids Easter Celebration

Sunday, March 24th

<u>Palm Sunday</u>

9:00am Discipleship Class 10:00am Live Worship at HBC 10:00am Sonshine Kids



Happy 100th Birthday Christine

Thanks to everyone that gave a card to help celebrate Ms, Douglas' 100th Birthday, she had a great day!

<u>Happy Birthday In March</u>

3/10 Scott Schaubach

3/11 Betty Howell

3/17 Christy Kuhlne

3/18 Judy France

3/31 Kirk Crippen



Kids Easter Celebration and Egg Hunt Saturday, March 23rd 11-2pm.

If you can help with this fun time, see Dreama. Invite kids to come and be a part. We are collecting Easter Candy to stuff the eggs, you can



place that in the front office or in the Mission Outreach Corner. Chocolate is fine!

<u>Projects with a Purpose–Stuffing Easter Eggs</u>

Wednesday March 20th 1:00pm

Come out for a fun time of stuffing Easter Eggs for the kids egg hunt. We will be meeting in Prior Hall. Please enter at the Handicap Door. Light refreshments will be served

Yearly Kids Training-Sunday, April 21st after morning workshop

We will be having our yearly training session for all individuals that work with Kids. This is very important so please make every effort to attend. Lunch will be served. If you are attending, please sign up in the mission outreach corner. This way we will know how to prepare for the meal.



Lock up/ Hall Monitor 3/17 Lisa and Dave 3/24 Pam Cook

Counter 3/18 Margaret Upole 3/25 Sue Monfalcone

Kids Church 3/17 Lisa York 3/25 Nadine Stephenson

Missions Outreach—Pam Cooke 660-4226

Aluminum Cans

Recycle your cans at HBC and help Support missions! Bring them to HBC and <u>place</u> them in the <u>gym</u> or the church office. All money collected goes to missions.

Pray for our Missionaries

Penny Stamps (American People) Meghan Dickey (Asian Pacific Rim People) DD (Central Asian People) Hannah Atchley, Amy Jones (European People) JS, JS, WT (Northern African and Middle Eastern People) Steve Jackson (Sub Saharan African People) Stanley Sauval (FL) Kenneth Cash (GA) Ashley Costello (NY) Charlie Harris (Ontario) Erin Upton (VA)

Serve the City

There are many opportunities to serve. See www.stcpeninsula.com

Or Pam Cooke and she will send you in the right direction.

BIG SERVE WEEK June 25-29th

Save the Date- More information will be available on the website soon.

There are many ways you can serve!

WMU February Mission Project

WMU March Mission Church Pantry. Here is a list of things we can use in the Pantry: Soup, Canned Veggies, Rice, Cereal, peanut butter (large and small) Jelly (large and small) unsweetened applesauce. If you want you can make a monetary donation and if will be used to purchase food. We have been feeding a lot of people as of recent, the need is very high.

Community Dinner-March 29th

Plan now to come and be a part of the Community Dinner. Have fellowship with our guests and then plan to stay for the Good Friday Service at 7pm. We would love to have you come and be a part.

Salvation Army Easter Basket Donation for Low Income

Seniors and Veterans

Items to donate: Toilet paper, paper towels, dish soap, laundry detergent, hand soap, body soap, deodorant, toothbrushes and toothpaste, mouthwash,

Dental floss, shampoo, conditioner, shaving cream, razors, puzzles, socks, candy and gift cards. All items need to be at the church by Wednesday, March 13th.

Giving Into Fear

"What sin have I committed, that you are giving your servant into the hand of Ahab to put me to death?"—1 Kings 18:9



Obadiah had been a faithful servant, managing the household of King Ahab. Even though Ahab had been an evil king, Obadiah had remained faithful to God. While Ahab did more evil than all before him, Obadiah "feared the LORD greatly" (v. 3). And when Queen Jezebel sought to destroy God's prophets, Obadiah hid many of them. He seemed like a man whose faith could not be shaken.

But Obadiah reacted differently when Elijah asked him to tell Ahab Elijah's location. Instead of demonstrating courage and faith, Obadiah reacted with fear. Instead of trusting God, Obadiah imagined that if he delivered this message, he would be killed.

When Obadiah finally obeyed the prophet, there were no negative consequences. Obadiah's life could have been much simpler if he had trusted God and not given in to worry and fear.

How often do we find ourselves doing the same things, imagining the worst, creating uncertainty, fear, and turmoil? In the process, we work ourselves into a state of turmoil over nothing.

Remember to trust God in every situation you face. If you have questions, simply seek Him. Ask for His guidance. The Bible promises that as you are faithful and trust Him, He will deliver you from fear and worry and guide you. As you commit your ways to Him, acknowledge Him and don't rely on your own understanding. If you seek Him, He promises to direct your steps (Proverbs 3:5–6).



The Last Impression

A child asked his father, "How were people born?" So his father said, "Adam and Eve made babies, then their babies became adults and made babies, and so on."

The child then went to his mother, asked her the same question and she told him, "We were monkeys then we evolved to become like we are now."

The child ran back to his father and said, "You lied to me!" His father replied, "No, your mom was talking about her side of the family."



The Power Of Humility

"Have you noticed how Ahab has humbled himself before me? Because he has humbled himself, I will not bring this disaster in his day." 1 Kings 21:29

The Bible says Ahab did more evil than any king before him (1 Kings 16:30). Because of his sins, he clearly deserved to receive judgment. Yet God declared He would not bring

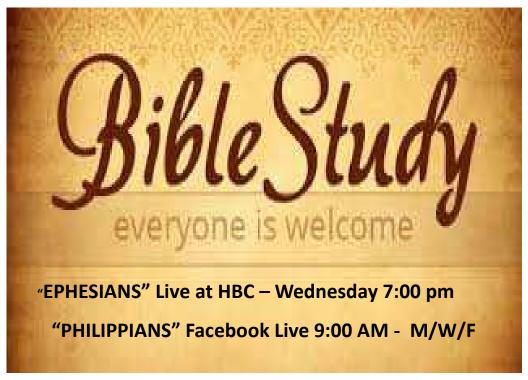
"disaster" on Ahab. Why? Because he "humbled himself."

This story demonstrates that people can change. Even though Ahab had done much evil, he repented. This also demonstrates the importance of humility. The Bible says God hates pride (Proverbs 8:13), and "those who humble themselves will be exalted" (Matthew 23:12). God so values humility that even wicked Ahab received mercy when he humbled himself.

As much as He hates pride, God stands ready to forgive us if we humble ourselves and repent. As James wrote, God "opposes the proud but gives grace to the humble" (James 4:6).

We also need to be careful about being judgmental ourselves. Are there people whom you have condemned in your heart, whom you believe God could not forgive? Have you felt these people are so evil that they can never be redeemed? Thinking about your own life, do you feel God cannot forgive you for mistakes you have made? For things you have thought?

The story of Ahab should inspire us to realize God can save and restore all who truly humble themselves. It is never too late. We should always seek to stay humble and remain on guard against the poisoning influence of pride.





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