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## *The Pastor's Point*

By Dr. Mitch, Pastor

### **WHEN/HOW SHOULD WE HONOR THE KING?**

When the wise men realized that something was different in the announcement and birth of baby Jesus, they knew that something special had to be done. The same is true for the shepherds who had seen His star from afar and looked for Him. That means that how we see and seek Jesus should be different than any other seeing or seeking.

We claim relationship with Him. He is Savior. He is Lord. He is healer. He is deliverer. He is provider. Some have gone as far as to say He is everything to them.

While so many professing believers pay homage to the Lord Jesus at select times of the year, Christmas, Passover, and Easter to name a few, that same formula would not work if we only expected something from Him several times a year. Our dependence on Him is a daily dependence. Well, this is true for some professing believers.

The point that I am trying to drive home here is that we should want to worship Him often, daily; and some of that worship should be spontaneous. Whereas I believe that some of our worship should be planned and carved out pieces of our busy schedules to fit Him and to fit the specifics of worship toward Him.

This 'COVID' thing has become a big disrupter of public worship. Two experiences come to mind, well, maybe at least three. A preacher asked a person if they were tuned into the remote services, the emphasis being on remote, and the person said they were too lazy to tune into the service. Secondly, a preacher asked if a person could join the remote service and they said they were out doing something else and just forgot about the service. Then, in another instance, the preacher was told by a non-member, but professing believer, to send them an invitation to join the service, and they kept making excuses; the last of which was that they would join the remote service when they weren't as busy.

If we are to worship the King, it must be deliberate, intentional, planned, scheduled, and consistent. I wouldn't want my blessings to be a few times a year. Our worship should be personally and frequently with a body of believers, even if it is remote. Our praise and giving, which both are part of our worship, should be regular.

My proposed slogan is, JESUS IS TO BE WORSHIPPED FIRST in everything we do. Do you agree?

### *God's Plan* By Pastor Q

We have all heard the phrase that two heads are better than one. That statement means that when two people put their heads together to set goals or make plans, they usually accomplish more than one person by themselves. But today I would like to establish that three heads are better than one, especially when those three heads are the Godhead (Father, Son and Holy Ghost). When we acknowledge God in all our ways (Prov.3:5-7) and allow the Godhead to reign over our lives, His one plan and one path is plain and perfect. And no matter how well thought out your long-term and short-term plans are, they cannot be compared to what the Godhead has mapped out for you. Their past, present, and future plans for you are all-encompassing, because They can calculate your life from the time you were born until eternity. You are a vital part of the Godhead's future. You were fearfully, methodically, and wonderfully made to glorify Them. We are all admonished not to lean unto our own understanding when generating a plan or seeking direction. Jeremiah 29:11-13 encompasses the Godhead's plan for our lives more precisely than we can. "For I know the thoughts I think toward you, thoughts of peace and not of evil, to give you a future and hope. Then you will call upon Me and go and pray to Me, and I will listen to you. And you will seek Me and find Me, when you search for Me with all your heart." *(To request an electronic copy of the entire 5-minute word of encouragement, text your email address to Pastor Q, 412-445-3166.)*



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## *Bibleway Balm*

**THIS MONTH'S PRAYER:** My Father God who is seated at a place of highest advantage, all-knowing and all-seeing. Father God who is my Lord and Savior. Thank you for waking me up to a new day, giving me another chance to get it right. Thank You for your amazing power and work in my life, thank You for Your goodness and for Your blessings over me. Thank You that You are able to bring hope through even the toughest of times, strengthening me for Your purpose. Thank You for Your great love and care. Thank You for Your mercy and grace. Thank You that You are always with me and will never leave me. Thank You for Your incredible sacrifice so that I might have freedom and life. Forgive me when I do not thank You enough, for who You are, for all that You do, for all that You have given. Help me to set my eyes and my heart on You afresh. Renew my spirits, fill me with Your peace and joy. I love You and I need You, this day and every day. I give You praise and thanks, for You alone are worthy!

### ***UNANSWERED PRAYERS*** (By Mom Joan Caicco)

While all the stories in my daily devotional are inspiring, those that speak of waiting on God to answer prayers always get my special attention. We know, by His Word, that God hears, and answers pray, in His time and in His way. But still, there are times when I agonize before Him. "Dear God... When?" The prophet Habakkuk (Hab.2:3) questioned God about his prayers not being answered and God's answer was "Tho it linger... wait for it... It will certainly come... It will not delay." Fast forward to this century, Catherine Marshall, who said "prayers are like eggs," said they do not hatch as soon as they are laid. Sometimes there is a long gap between the promise and the fulfillment. Like eggs, there's an incubation period while God is working out His purposes for our lives." (The Daily Bread)

So be encouraged while you wait on God. Believe me, He is worth waiting for.

## *Memoranda*

### "What's Going on Around the Church?"

Extra, Extra, read all about it. If you have an idea for or comment about the *monthly BIBLEWAY BULLETIN*, a praise report, a quaint story or quote that you like, submit it to [q.nickols@yahoo.com](mailto:q.nickols@yahoo.com) at least a week before the end of the month.

Make sure you look at the **CHURCH CALENDER** that's attached to get plugged into the services, bible studies, prayer calls, and giving.

We have noticed a drastic increase in **BIBLE STUDY** participants; and an increase in members and visitors joining the 10:45am worship services. Praise God! Our pastors want to encourage you to **invite and welcome everyone** and not to allow the COVID distancing to prohibit you from speaking to EVERYONE, especially the visitors, before and after service. Showing God's love is not just the job of the ushers. Remember, we may not be able to shake hands or hug anyone, but we can surely wave, speak, and smile with our eyes.

### **HOW TO GIVE**

St. Luke 6:38 Give, and it shall be given unto you; good measure, pressed down, and shaken together, and running over, shall men give into your bosom. For with the same measure that ye mete withal, it shall be measured to you again.

**Email your gift:** Using an app like Zelle or PayPal at [mitch.nickols@gmail.com](mailto:mitch.nickols@gmail.com)

**Mail your gift:** to Bibleway, PO Box 390  
Tarentum, PA, 15084

## AN INVITATION (CALL TO ACTION)

The Sunday School Department is looking for at least twenty people with a heart to reach out to the lost this Easter season. Since the virus is hindering us from inviting folks inside our building for Sunday School, we can pray and ask God to lead us to them outside our doors. Will you be one of the twenty to join our Easter adventure? Each volunteer will receive four pocket-size copies of the Gospel of John. If you participate, you must be willing to spend time praying and asking God to direct you to the people He has chosen to receive the Gospel. We will believe God to prepare the soil of their hearts for His Word. There will also be a short survey to complete after you deliver all four copies that were entrusted to you. This is an easy

way for us to share the Gospel this Easter season and it's a great time to tell people about God's love for them. Each of the small copies of the book of John clearly explains the plan of salvation, for those who choose to come to Jesus.

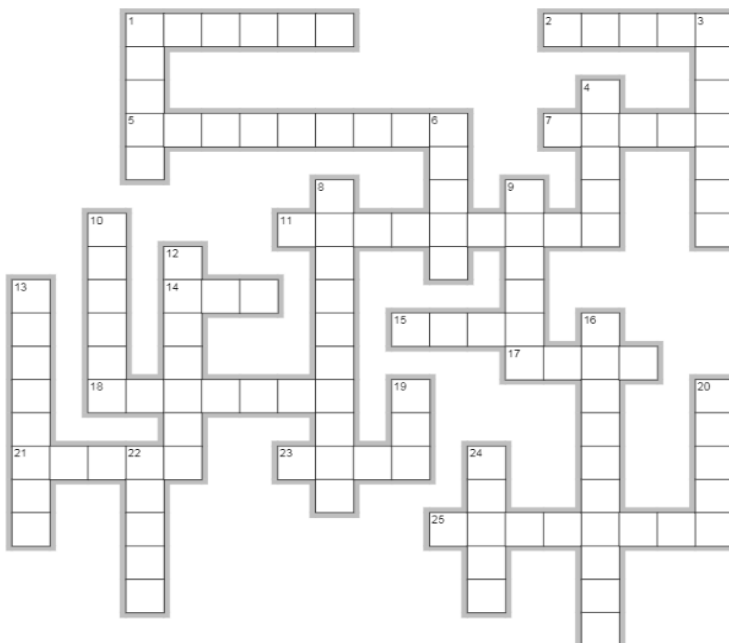
A sign-up sheet will be available in the church lobby on March 7 or you can contact Elder Elaine directly at 724-882-9145. The Gospel will be distributed to the volunteers after Sunday service on March 21 and distributed to people before Easter, April 14. If you are unable to volunteer, please pray for our Sunday School project. Pray we would hear clearly from God, souls would be saved and that Jesus would get all the glory...  
**FROM THE SUNDAY SCHOOL DEPARTMENT**

### Bible Crosswords

#### Noah's Ark

How much do you know about one of the most famous events in the Bible? This crossword will tell you! If you need help, go to Genesis, Chapters 6-9. We consulted the NASB version when writing the clues.

Note: Some answers have 2 words. There is no space between words in the puzzle.



### Down

1. Noah was spared because he found \_\_\_ with God.
3. Sign of God's promise to never flood the earth again
4. The ark had lower, second and third \_\_\_.
6. Number of days and nights it rained
8. Noah's age when the floodwaters came (2 wds.)
9. Type of wood used for the ark
10. As water subsided, the ark rested on these mountains
12. Noah's sons were Shem, Ham, and \_\_\_.
13. God's post-flood: Be fruitful and \_\_\_.
16. Preflood: The Lord saw that the \_\_\_ of man was great on earth.
19. Number of every kind of unclean animal on the ark
20. Number of people on the ark
22. Unit of measurement used in building the ark
24. God's post-flood words: Do not eat flesh with its \_\_\_.

### Across

1. The animals were male and \_\_\_.
2. Noah built this after leaving the ark
5. What the dove brought back in her beak (2 wds.)
7. Number of each kind of clean animal taken on the ark
11. Noah was a \_\_\_ man, blameless in his time.
14. Noah did \_\_\_ that God had commanded him.
15. Second type of bird Noah sent out from the ark
17. Precipitation
18. He closed the door of the ark (2 wds.)
21. What Noah used to coat the ark
23. Number of times rain had fallen on the earth, previous to Noah
25. God established His \_\_\_ with Noah and his descendants.



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Sunday	Monday	Tuesday	Wednesday	Thursday	Friday	Saturday
<b>Church Office:</b> 724-335-3344		<b>Location:</b> 504 8 <sup>th</sup> Street, New Kensington PA 15068 <b>Mailing Address:</b> P.O. Box, 390 Tarentum PA 15084				
To Give: <b>Tithe/Offering:</b> 1) Bring Sunday or 2) Place in mail slot or 3) Bank on-line bill pay or 4) Mail to above address	1 <b>Women's History Month</b>	2 6:30a, 5-Min. Word of Encouragement  7p Choir Rehearsal	3 6:30p Bible Study Zoom	4	5 12p 5-Min. Word of Encouragement Conference Call	6 9am Prayer Conference Call  <i>All welcome to join (dial in # below)</i>
7 <b>The Lord's Supper</b> 10:45a In-the-Bldg, Zoom and Facebook Live Worship Service	8	9 6:30a, 5-Min. Word of Encouragement  7p Choir Rehearsal	10 6:30p Bible Study Zoom	11	12 12p 5-Min. Word of Encouragement Conference Call	13 9am Prayer Conference Call
14 10:45a In-the-Bldg, Zoom and Facebook Live Worship Service  <b>Daylight Saving Time</b>	15	16 6:30a, 5-Min. Word of Encouragement  7p Choir Rehearsal	17 6:30p Bible Study Zoom  <b>St. Patrick's Day</b>	18	19 12p 5-Min. Word of Encouragement Conference Call	20 9am Prayer Conference Call
21 10:45a In-the-Bldg, Zoom and Facebook Live Worship Service	22	23 6:30a, 5-Min. Word of Encouragement  7p Choir Rehearsal	24 6:30p Bible Study Zoom	25	26 12p 5-Min. Word of Encouragement Conference Call	27 9am Prayer Conference Call
28 10:45a In-the-Bldg, Zoom and Facebook Live Worship Service	29	30 6:30a 5-Min. Word Encouragement  7p Choir Rehearsal	31 6:30p Bible Study Zoom	<b>**ZOOM: To join SUNDAY 10:45a &amp; WEDNESDAY 6:30p, Questions: Call 724-335-3344 (use same link for both meetings)</b> <b>CONFERENCE CALLS, Dial 1-917-900-1022, Code 52538083# (Tuesdays/Fridays/Saturdays)</b>		