


PLEASANT VIEW PROCLAIMER

February 11, 2024

<p>Welcome!</p> <p><small>THOU SAVES THE LORD, YOUR REDEEMER, THE HOLY ONE OF ISRAEL.</small></p> <p>“</p> <p>I Am</p> <p><small>the Lord your God! I do teaches you to profit. I do leads you in the way that you should go</small></p> <p>”</p> <p><small>ISAIAH 45:17</small></p> <p><i>“Many are the afflictions of the righteous, but the Lord delivers him out of them all. He guards all his bones; not one of them is broken.”</i></p> <p>Join us at 6:00pm for worship in song!</p> <p>-----</p> <p>Minister: Timothy Agee timothy@teamagee.com 615-330-8652</p>	<p>Prayer List</p> <p>Burt Wilkerson, Martha Gregory’s brother-in-law, is in the nursing home with dementia</p> <p>Mamie Hamilton is still having issues with pain.</p> <p>Brian West is having surgery to remove tumors on his liver</p> <p>Belinda Mayo had back surgery and is doing well</p> <p>Darinda Paul is home, and her cancer treatment is proceeding</p> <p>Elizabeth Demonbreun is doing well at home</p> <p>Continue to pray for: Donnie Garrett, the Stroud family, the Wilkerson family, Keith Walker and family, Kim Walker, Rebecca Brown, Forshia Pennington, Carol Saling, Camille Brosky, those in Ukraine; John Hayes, Nick Phifer, and Bill Gillock</p>	<p><i>We invite everyone to join us Wednesday night at 7pm as we study the Life of Abraham</i></p> <p>Serving Today</p> <p>Song Leader: Steve Buchanan</p> <p>SUNDAY SCHOOL (9:30 am)</p> <p>Scripture Reading: Sam Baker</p> <p>Prayer: Charlie Baker</p> <p>WORSHIP (10:30 am)</p> <p>Scripture Reading: Lowell Gregory</p> <p>Wait On Table: Jeff Baker</p> <p>Serve: Doug Demonbreun Johnny Walker</p> <p>Prayer: Jearmie Gupton</p>							
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Why Should I Believe? (A New Study on Sunday Evenings)

A few times already this year I have mentioned my growing concern about the epidemic in the church of losing our children to the world. This is weighing heavily on my heart and is a crisis we must address as parents and as a church. While there are many, many reasons why our children are being pulled away, I firmly believe one of them is that the world is teaching them to wholly reject scripture as a basis of truth. We can see one clear example of this in the textbooks from our schools which for many years have presented Darwinian Evolution as fact. Even in our “Christian” schools, more and more teachers are promoting concepts like “Evolutionary Creation”, which continues to pull further and further away from the Divine creation as presented in Genesis. While these theories have significant flaws, they can sound completely logical to our children because we have not prepared them as parents and as a church. We often talk about our hope that **seeds of the Gospel** planted within our children (and others) will take root and grow, but many times **seeds of doubt** planted in our kids by the world grow to the point where the **seeds of the Gospel** are completely choked out. They are choked out, because we have not equipped them to deal with the **seeds of doubt** that are being planted.

If we want to prepare them for these situations, we must be willing to teach and discuss topics and situations they are faced with from the world. This ultimately may require some effort in learning about things that do not always start with scripture. Why is evolution a flawed theory? How do we explain dinosaurs? What evidence is there that the Bible is accurate? We must be willing to address questions our children are faced with, even if they are not asking them out loud.

To this end, I plan to begin a new study on Sunday evenings once we finish *Unsolved Mysteries of the Bible*. This new series will be called **Why Should I Believe?** and will focus on Christian apologetics (i.e., defense of Christianity). This study will be for everyone. For those who are strong in their faith, my desire is to help in strengthening their convictions and in being prepared to talk with others. For those with doubts, my prayer is this study will address questions that will solidify their faith. For parents, my hope is this study will prepare them to initiate the challenging conversations with their children mentioned above. For children and teens, my aim is to help prepare them to deal with the messages coming from the world and with questions that are weighing on their mind.

In this study, we will begin by addressing the holes in Darwinian Evolution. From there, we will talk about dinosaurs, arguments for the existence of God, Biblical reliability, evidence for Jesus and the resurrection, and difficult topics like suffering and hell.

In order for this study to be successful, I NEED YOUR HELP! Here is what you can do:

1. Pray for our children and for this study.
2. Come to the study and make it a priority in your family!
- 3. Bring your children and your grandchildren to the study.**
4. Help promote the study through social media and Invite your friends and neighbors.

Timothy Agee