

PLEASANT VIEW PROCLAIMER

November 10, 2024

Welcome!



“The good person out of his good treasure brings forth good, and the evil person out of his evil treasure brings forth evil.”

Join us at 6pm for worship in song

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Prayer List

Sympathy to the family of **Brian West** who passed away last week

Keith Walker is home after a recent hospital stay

Kim Waller is in Skyline Hospital room 354 rehabbing a fractured femur & ankle.

Sherri Russell's mother fell and broke her leg in 3 places.

Darinda Paul has begun a new regimen of cancer treatment

Linda Demonbreun is still dealing with back pain

Mamie Hamilton is doing some better

Hunter Crouch is in need of another kidney transplant

Continue to pray for: **James Gupton**, the **John Hayes** family, **Leigh Smith**, **Eileen Branch**, the **Janie-Grace Moss** family, the **Tristin Franklin** family, **Robert Williams**, the **Billy Moore** family, **Ronnie Mayo**, **Rebecca Brown**, **Donnie Garrett**, **Forshia Pennington**, **Carol Saling**, **Camille Brosky**, those in **Ukraine**, and **Bill Gillock**

We invite everyone to join us Wednesday night at 7pm as we continue our study from Galatians

Serving Today

Song Leader:
Jeff Baker

SUNDAY SCHOOL (9:30 am)

Scripture Reading:
Jearmie Gupton

Prayer:
Mike Reed

WORSHIP (10:30 am)

Scripture Reading:
Jared Roaden
I Peter 3:13-17

Wait On Table:
David Billingsley

Serve:
Johnny Walker
Doug Demonbreun

Prayer:
Dwight Pennington

Service Times

Sunday Bible Study	9:30 am
Sunday AM Worship	10:30 am
Sunday PM Worship	6:00 pm
Wednesday Bible Study	7:00 pm

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How do I prepare myself to face persecution?

Who is There to Harm You? If we do what is "good," then we should generally expect to receive "good" in return. However, the possibility always exists that standing up and speaking a good word for Jesus Christ will be thrown back in our face!

Psalm 34:12-16 / (3:10-12)

*Peter is making the point that a reasonable person will not persecute the Christian for doing good.

*Peter wants them to live out their salvation in such a way that any suffering they face must be undeserved (16-17).

This ties in directly with Peter's quotation of Psalm 34:12-16 in the previous verses, which includes the instruction to "do good".

13 **Now** who is there to harm you if you are zealous for what is good?

C _____ UP! (14) "you will be blessed" -Mt 5:10-12 -1Pe 2:20; 4:12-16

G _____ UP! (14)

"Have no fear of them" *This part of the verse comes from Isaiah 8:12 where the prophet speaks to the frightened people of Israel as the mighty Assyrian army threatens to overrun the city of Jerusalem.

14 But even if you should suffer for righteousness' sake, you will be **blessed**. Have no fear of them, nor be troubled,

L _____ UP! (15) "honor Christ...as Holy" *Jesus must be LORD of our life. He must be first in everything. Our dedication to Him beats out fear. Our faith is in Him, and He is our Hope...our confidence! -Lk 14:25-27, 33

*Same word Jesus used in the Beatitudes...

*You plus God equals more than your enemies plus anything else, so don't be afraid when you feel surrounded. God is with you...always!

15 but in your hearts honor Christ the Lord as holy, always being prepared to make a **defense** to anyone who asks you for a reason for the hope that is in you; yet do it with gentleness and respect,

-Isa 8:12b-13 -Pro 29:25

ἀπολογία (apologia)- defend oneself, make a formal justification

S _____ UP! (15) "being prepared" "make a defense" Hope > 1Pe 1:3-7 This isn't about winning a theological argument, or providing answers to EVERY conceivable theological question, but being prepared to tell others the reasons why... -We follow Christ instead of anything else. -He is our Lord & Hope To do this, we have to remember that it takes: (1) Preparation...this includes dedication to study and prayer (2) A willingness to speak up...even when we are afraid...regardless of the consequences (3) Gentleness and respect (again, goal is not to win an argument)

S _____ UP! (16-17) "a good conscience" *This means living such a life that if people criticize us for the way we live, they must tell a lie to do it. This includes things like... -Integrity -Keeping our word -Speaking the truth -The Golden Rule -Not spreading gossip -Doing good work -Obeying the law -Showing compassion -Praying for those who mistreat us -Sharing with those in need. Don't give anyone a reason to slander Christ because of the way we live.

16 having a **good conscience**, so that, when you are slandered, those who revile your good behavior in Christ may be put to shame.

17 For it is better to suffer for doing **good**, if that should be God's will, than for doing evil.

1 Peter 2:20 (ESV) - For what credit is it if, when you sin and are beaten for it, you endure? But if when you do good and suffer for it you endure, this is a gracious thing in the sight of God.