

# PLEASANT VIEW PROCLAIMER

November 24, 2024

<p><b>Welcome!</b></p> <p>a FRIEND</p>  <p><i>"Come to me, all who labor and are heavy laden, and I will give you rest. Take My yoke upon you, and learn from Me, for I am gentle and lowly in heart, and you will find rest for your souls. For my yoke is easy, and my burden is light."</i></p> <p>Join us this evening at 6pm for another lesson in our "Why Should I Believe?" series</p> <p>----- <b>Minister:</b> Timothy Agee timothy@teamagee.com 615-330-8652</p>	<p><b>Prayer List</b></p> <p><b>Randall Brinkley</b> is at Skyline</p> <p>Jerry Butterworth's nephew <b>Tony Hicks</b> passed away</p> <p><b>Kim Waller</b> is home after a recent hospital stay from a fractured femur and ankle</p> <p><b>Barbra McDonald</b> (Sherrie Russell's mother) is now home.</p> <p><b>Dick Chapman</b> is in St. Thomas West with heart issues.</p> <p><b>Darinda Paul</b> has begun a new regimen of cancer treatment</p> <p><b>Mamie Hamilton</b> is doing some better</p> <p><b>James Gupton</b> is facing a long recovery from an accident.</p> <p><b>Hunter Crouch</b> is in need of another kidney transplant</p> <p>Continue to pray for: the <b>John Hayes</b> family, <b>Brian West</b> family, <b>Linda Demonbreun</b>, <b>Leigh Smith</b>, <b>Eileen Branch</b>, the <b>Janie-Grace Moss</b> family, the <b>Tristin Franklin</b> family, <b>Robert Williams</b>, <b>Ronnie Mayo</b>, <b>Rebecca Brown</b>, <b>Donnie Garrett</b>, <b>Forshia Pennington</b>, <b>Carol Saling</b>, <b>Camille Brosky</b>, those in <b>Ukraine</b>, and <b>Bill Gillock</b></p>	<p><i>We invite everyone to join us Wednesday night for a special Thanksgiving service</i></p> <p><b>Serving Today</b></p> <p><b>Song Leader:</b> Jeff Baker</p> <p>SUNDAY SCHOOL (9:30 am)</p> <p><b>Scripture Reading:</b> Johnny Walker</p> <p><b>Prayer:</b> Dwight Pennington</p> <p>WORSHIP (10:30 am)</p> <p><b>Scripture Reading:</b> Eddie Walker <i>1 Peter 4:1-6</i></p> <p><b>Wait On Table:</b> Jearmie Gupton</p> <p><b>Serve:</b> Jared Roaden Doug Demonbreun</p> <p><b>Prayer:</b> David Billingsley</p>							
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"same way of thinking"

i.e. The way of thinking as what drove Christ to endure suffering

\*This was righteousness!  
-Rom 3:21-26

\*The priority of our life should also be righteousness!

-Mt 6:33  
-1Jn 2:28-29

\*We will face pushback because of our choice...  
-2Tim 3:12

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"as to live..."

\*What is the purpose of the instruction to "arm yourselves with the same way of thinking"? It is an exhortation to live out our righteousness, even if we face persecution for it!

\*How do we live out our righteousness? By living out "the will of God"!

\*To "live for...human passions" or to follow "what the Gentiles want to do" would be inconsistent with living out our righteousness.

-Gal 5:16-26  
-1Jn 3:4-10

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\*The coming judgment is also "why the gospel was preached" > Rom 1:16-18

\*Those who responded to this preaching are alive in their spirit, even though pagans may judge them in the earthly realm.

The Example of Christ (cont)

This links directly back to his previous comments on the suffering of Christ in 3:18. In view of Christ's suffering, this is what those who have received salvation should do:

**Since therefore Christ suffered in the flesh, arm yourselves with the same way of thinking, for whoever has suffered in the flesh has ceased**

...for the cause of righteousness

**so as to live for the rest of the time in the flesh no longer for human passions but for the will of God.**

**For** the time that is *past suffices* for doing what the **Gentiles** want to do, living in *sensuality, passions, drunkenness, orgies, drinking parties, and lawless idolatry.*

**With respect to this they are surprised** when you do not join them in the same flood of *debauchery*, and they *malign you*; **but they will give account to him** who is ready to **judge the living and the dead.**

Even though the pagan world may "malign us", the coming judgment will confirm our choice of righteousness over "debauchery"

Mt 25:31-46; Jn 5:22-23

**For** this is *why the gospel was preached* even to *those who are dead*, that though *judged in the flesh the way people are*, they might *live in the spirit* the way God does.

"those who are dead..." > Their current state at the time of this letter (maybe even because of persecution), but they were alive when "the gospel was preached". Compare to 3:19-20.

"ceased from sin"

\*Consider this phrase in view of Paul's complete argument in **Romans 6**

\*Those who have received God's salvation are not free from the possibility of committing sin, but instead have died to sin being their master.

\*Those who suffer for righteousness' sake have clearly chosen Christ as their master as evidenced by their obedience in following Him into suffering

-Rom 6:16-18  
-Mt 5:10-12

Gentiles = Pagans

\*Compare to Peter's use of "Gentiles" in 2:11-12

"past suffices"

\*Likely indicates these Christians had been Gentile pagans before their conversion

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"they are surprised..."

\*Those of the world do not understand true righteousness, because they don't know Christ  
-1Jn 3:1

\*They see our view of life as foolishness, and are surprised when anyone adopts this way  
-1Co 1:18

\*Living a righteous life is a condemnation of their pagan lifestyle.  
-Jn 3:19-21

\*Because of this, they will often "malign us" for our way of life!  
-1Jn 3:13